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Cherish her, and she will exalt you; if you embrace her, she will honor you. She will place a garland of favor on your head; she will give you a crown of beauty."

# WEEK 1 APRIL 27TH THE YOUTH

WEEK 2

EARLY ADULTHOOD

Week 3 May 11th

Midlife

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The Elders

#### Words of Appreciation From Pastors

- 1. You have a heart for justice.
- 2. You long for authentic community.
- You're more open to faith than generations before you.
- 4. You're passionate about the things that matter most.
- 5. You want to be real—and can spot fake from a mile away.
- 6. You love to serve and want to use your gifts.

#### Micah 6:8

Mankind, he has told each of you what is good and what it is the Lord requires of you: to act justly, to love faithfulness, and to walk humbly with your God.

"To live is to suffer and to survive, well that's to find meaning in the suffering"

- The Late Earl Simmons aka DMX

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### Focus:

Get Wisdom and Get Understanding

# 1. Embrace The Word As Essential To Your Life

Psalm 119:105 – "Your word is a lamp for my feet and a light on my path."

# 2. Be A Sponge Of Those Who Came Before You

Job 12:12 - "Is not wisdom found among the aged?
Does not long life bring understanding?"

## 3. Learn to Wait On The Lord

Lamentations 3:25-26 -"The Lord is good to those who wait for Him, to the person who seeks Him. It is good to wait quietly for salvation from the Lord."

### 4. Have Less Opinions and Pay Your Dues

Proverbs 17:27-28 — "The one who has knowledge restrains his words, and one who keeps a cool head is a person of understanding. Even a fool is considered wise when he keeps silent discerning, when he seals his lips.."

# 5. Spend Time With Actual People

Proverbs 27:17 – "Iron sharpens iron, and one person sharpens another.

### 1. Let God's Grace Be Your Safety

Hebrews 4:16 - Therefore, let us approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in time of need.

### 2. Be Honest About Your Needs

Matthew 11:28-"Come to Me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

### 3. Live Outside the Illusion of Control

Proverbs 3:5-6 – "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not unto your own understanding but in all of your ways acknowledge Him and He will make your path straight

#### 4. Be Ok With Uncomfortable

James 1:2-4 – "Consider it a great joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you experience various trials, because you know that the testing of your faith produces endurance. And let endurance have its full effect, so that you may be mature and complete, lacking nothing.

### 5. Allow Yourself To Be Transformed

Romans 12:2 – "Do not be conformed to this world, but continuously be transformed by the renewing of your minds so that you may be able to determine what God's will is what is proper, pleasing, and perfect."