

# Door Creek Church | Devotional Plan

## Wednesday, April 8

### Proverbs 19:23 | Untouched

*“The fear of the Lord leads to life; then one rests content, untouched by trouble.”*

Wow, my whole being has been run over by trouble – let alone touched! The idea of contentment seems so distant to a time past, or somewhere in the distant future. There isn't a breathing person anywhere who isn't looking for rest, contentment and being “untouched.” We are all about social distancing here - God offers us “trouble distancing” – not a trouble-free life. For Jesus was clear, in this world we will have trouble, but not untouched in this sense — no worry, anxiety — not meaning never, but not enduring. Why? This Proverb says, “because we fear the Lord,” which is Old Testament language for trust or faith. Fearing God is seeing God for who He is and responding in humble, affectionate, joy-filled obedience. When our trust is in God, the winds of contentment, rest and peace blow over our hearts and minds.

**Trusting God is the secret to contentment.** Perhaps this was the Scripture Paul was meditating on when he wrote to the church at Philippi and said he had learned the secret of contentment, “I can do all things through Christ who gives me strength.” cf Philippians 4:13. His trust in God's provision in every circumstance brought a quiet calm to his life.

When we trust that God cares - we cast our cares. When we trust that He's our faithful, strong refuge - we run to Him. When we trust that Jesus is the Prince of Peace, we give Him all our anxieties in return for His perfect peace. What a great guy who meets us in trouble and beats them back, what a great guy who sent His son who, we remember this week, was beaten and killed for our sin, so that we could be untouched — forgiven, free, at peace with God, finding peace and contentment in what many are saying will be one of the most horrific weeks in the recent history of our nation.

**Today God's word exhorts us to trust Him and find life!**