"LABOR"

ASCEND: A JOURNEY WITH THE PSALMS OF ASCENT | WILL BRANCH | PSALM 127 | NOV. 25/26, 2017

"And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him." (Colossians 3:17)

Unless the Lord (Psalm 127:1-2):

Builds: Vain Labor

Watches: Vain Protection

Is the Center: Vain Toil

When the Lord (Psalm 127:3-5):

Is the Center: Rest

Is the Builder: Reward

Is the Protector: Blessing

STUDY GUIDE

- 1. What are some highs and lows from the holiday for you?
- 2. What are some things you are thankful for?
- 3. In what ways did the Holy Spirit speak to you through the message?
- 4. What has the Holy Spirit challenged you to think or do differently?
- 5. Statistics show that people are not having as many children these days. Why do you suppose that is?
- 6. How are children and childrearing viewed in our culture today?
- 7. The value of hard work is celebrated in our culture. It is not uncommon for people to work 50+ hours a week. What are people working towards?
- 8. What does it mean for the Lord to be:

Your builder?

Your protector?

Your center?

DAILY READINGS

Throughout this series we will have a daily reading plan that allows us to reflect more deeply on the themes of each psalm we study. Join with the broader Eastbrook community each week via the print schedule below, our app or social media.

Monday, November 27: Psalm 17

Tuesday, November 28: Colossians 3:18-24

Wednesday, November 29: Matthew 6:25-34

Thursday, November 30: John 15:1-11

Friday, December 1: Psalm 128