

#### 4. Work \_\_\_\_\_

*A sluggard's appetite is never filled, but the desires of the diligent are fully satisfied.*  
Proverbs 13:4

<sup>6</sup>*Go to the ant, you sluggard; consider its ways and be wise! <sup>7</sup>It has no commander, no overseer or ruler, <sup>8</sup>yet it stores its provisions in summer and gathers its food at harvest.*  
Proverbs 6:6-8

*Now the Bereans were of more noble character than the Thessalonians, for they received the message with great eagerness and examined the Scriptures every day to see if what Paul said was true.*  
Acts 17:11

#### 5. \_\_\_\_\_ suffering

*For though a righteous man falls seven times, he rises again; but the wicked are brought down by calamity.*  
Proverbs 24:16

*Wounds from a friend can be trusted, but an enemy multiplies kisses.*  
Proverbs 27:6

<sup>3</sup>*... we also rejoice in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; <sup>4</sup>perseverance, character; and character, hope. <sup>5</sup>And hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out his love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom he has given us.*  
Romans 5:3-5

#### 6. \_\_\_\_\_ sacrificially

*He who despises his neighbor sins, but blessed is he who is kind to the needy.*  
Proverbs 14:21

*If your enemy is hungry, give him food to eat; if he is thirsty, give him water to drink.*  
Proverbs 25:21

<sup>3</sup>*Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. <sup>4</sup>Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others.*  
Philippians 2:3-4

#### 7. \_\_\_\_\_ faith

*Trust in the Lord with all your heart; and lean not unto your own understanding.*  
Proverbs 3:5

*Better a little with the fear of the Lord than great wealth with turmoil.*  
Proverbs 15:16

<sup>1</sup>*Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. <sup>2</sup>This is what the ancients were commended for.*  
Hebrews 11:1-2

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### Advice on Building Character

*"You cannot dream yourself into a character; you must hammer and forge yourself one."* Henry David Thoreau

To build \_\_\_\_\_ character:

#### 1. \_\_\_\_\_ heart

*Above all else, guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it.*  
Proverbs 4:23

*My son, do not forget my teaching, but keep my commands in your heart.*  
Proverbs 3:1

<sup>16</sup>*There are six things the LORD hates, seven that are detestable to him: <sup>17</sup>haughty eyes, a lying tongue, hands that shed innocent blood, <sup>18</sup>a heart that devises wicked schemes, feet that are quick to rush into evil, <sup>19</sup>a false witness who pours out lies and a person who stirs up conflict in the community.*  
Proverbs 6:16-19

<sup>33</sup>*Do not be misled: "Bad company corrupts good character."<sup>34</sup> Come back to your senses as you ought, and stop sinning...*  
1 Corinthians 15:33-34

#### 2. Control \_\_\_\_\_

*A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.*  
Proverbs 15:1

*Gracious words are a honeycomb, sweet to the soul and healing to the bones.*  
Proverbs 16:24

<sup>27</sup>*The one who has knowledge uses words with restraint, and whoever has understanding is even-tempered. <sup>28</sup>Even fools are thought wise if they keep silent, and discerning if they hold their tongues.*  
Proverbs 17:27-28

<sup>26</sup>*In your anger do not sin: Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry... <sup>29</sup>Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen.*  
Ephesians 4:26, 29

#### 3. Think \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>13</sup>*A happy heart makes the face cheerful, but heartache crushes the spirit... <sup>15</sup>All the days of the oppressed are wretched, but the cheerful heart has a continual feast.*  
Proverbs 15:13, 15

<sup>8</sup>*... whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable - if anything is excellent or praiseworthy - think about such things<sup>9</sup>... And the God of peace will be with you.*  
Philippians 4:8-9

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