

THREE MORE FOOLISH WAYS TO EASILY RUIN YOUR LIFE

PROVERBS 6:1-19; MATTHEW 7:13-14 (ESV)

I. You can ruin your life by taking a pledge on someone else'

_____.

A. Don't _____ someone who hasn't proven themselves _____.

B. Don't commit to something that you can't _____.

C. Loans are risky business that we should be very cautious to _____...and cautious to _____ from (Exodus 22:24; Proverbs 22:27).

D. If you are able to give _____ and _____ to someone's *present* need, give it rather than loan it (Proverbs 3:28; 11:24-26; 1 Thess. 4:9-12; Philemon 1:18-19).

II. You can ruin your life by being _____.

A. We have to learn to _____ and _____ within the bounds of wisdom.

B. Rather than dreaming of what *could* be, passionately give yourself to the _____, _____ work that God has given you.

C. When we do this ordinary work _____ to provide for the ones under our care—out of a desire to glorify God—God will _____ us.

D. Our weekly rest on Sunday is to be a _____ expression of our _____ in God's provision, rather than our own.

III. You can ruin your life by _____ like _____ toward other people.

A. Scrutinize the wisdom (or foolishness) of your hidden _____, _____, and plans.

B. If you recognize that you have hidden sinful intentions...

1. Confess it to _____ and

2. Confess it to a Christian you _____.