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AFTER
WHAT
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The Fear of the Lord

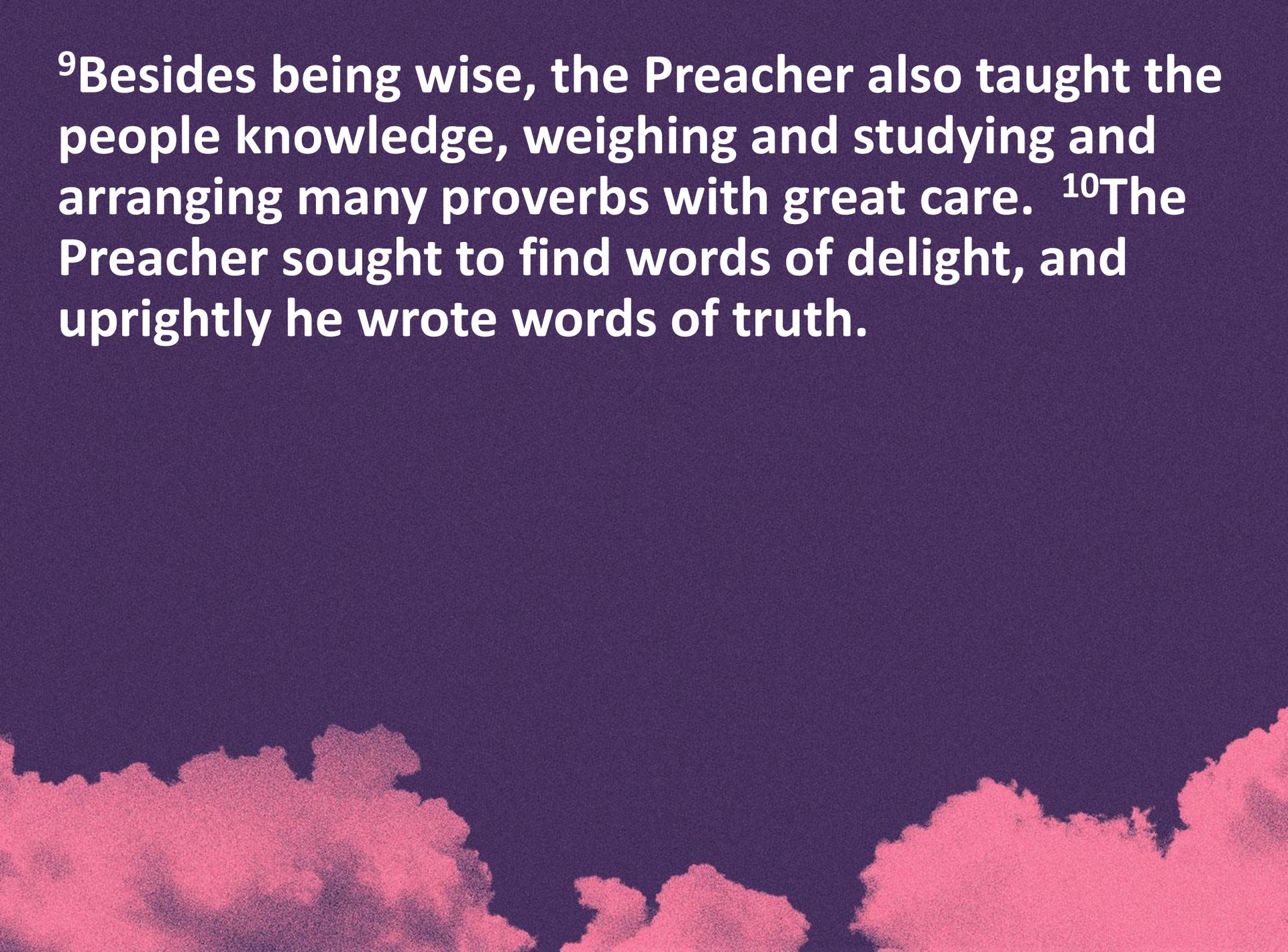
We strive for what matters
by fearing God.

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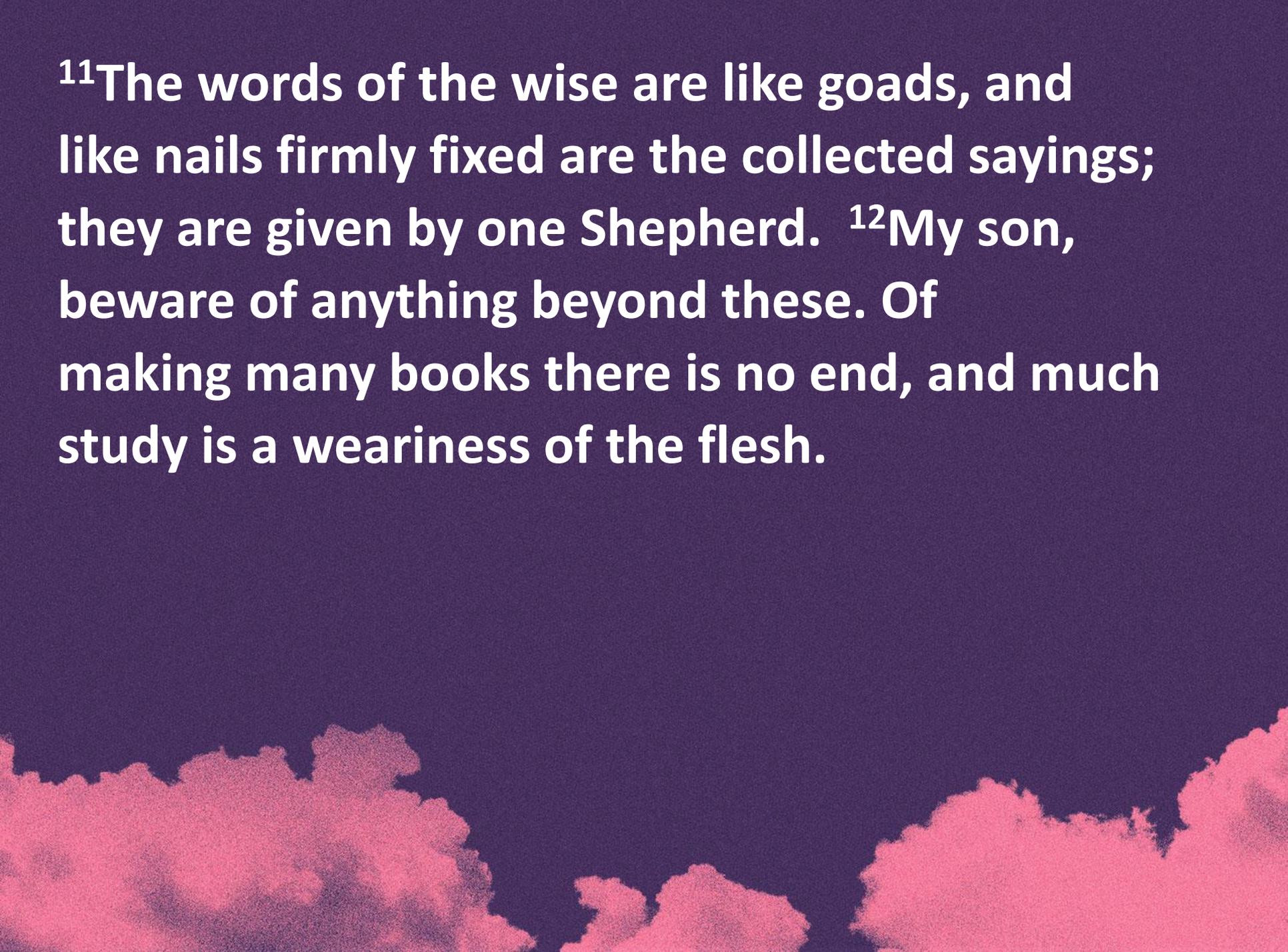
Ecclesiastes 12:8



⁹Besides being wise, the Preacher also taught the people knowledge, weighing and studying and arranging many proverbs with great care. ¹⁰The Preacher sought to find words of delight, and uprightly he wrote words of truth.



¹¹The words of the wise are like goads, and like nails firmly fixed are the collected sayings; they are given by one Shepherd. ¹²My son, beware of anything beyond these. Of making many books there is no end, and much study is a weariness of the flesh.



All of Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

2 Timothy 3:16-17

13The end of the matter; all has been heard. Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the whole duty of man. **14**For God will bring every deed into judgment, with every secret thing, whether good or evil.



The Lion, The Witch, and the Wardrobe



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Susan, “Is he quite safe?”

Mr. Beaver, “Who said anything about being safe? ‘Course he isn’t safe. But he’s good. He’s the king.”

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and instruction.

Proverbs 1:7



Four Signs of a Lack of Godly Fear

**The one who does not fear God
does not hate his sin.**

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**The one who does not fear God
does not confess his sin.**

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The one who does not fear God is selective in their obedience to God.

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**The one who does not fear God
attempts to abuse the grace of God.**

**During this time of reflection,
please consider this question:**

**Do you currently have a
balanced view of the love
and fear of the Lord?**