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A Father's Plea

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Proverbs 30:1-6 ¹These are the words of Agur son of Jakeh—the burden that this man declared to Ithiel: “I am weary, O God, and worn out. ²Surely I am the most ignorant of men, and I lack the understanding of a man. ³I have not learned wisdom, and I have no knowledge of the Holy One. ⁴Who has ascended to heaven and come down? Who has gathered the wind in His hands? Who has bound up the waters in His cloak? Who has established all the ends of the earth? What is His name, and what is the name of His Son— surely you know! ⁵Every word of God is flawless; He is a shield to those who take refuge in Him. ⁶Do not add to His words, lest He rebuke you and prove you a liar. (BSB)

I. Here are details of this passage.

- A. These are the words of **Agur**. They are either the words of an unknown wise man or the words of Solomon. V. 1
- B. The writer seems to suggest that he is nearing the **end** of his life and that he wants to **impart** wisdom to his son “Ithiel”. V. 1
- C. The writer confesses that knowledge of the living God should have been his **priority** in life, but it wasn't. V. 2-3
- D. The writer has an accurate view of the **majesty** of God and of the **frailty** of being human. V. 4 There is a God....
- E. The writer also has an accurate view of the **word** of God. V. 5-6

II. How can we apply these truths?

- A. We must **listen** to those whom God has put into our life who have wisdom from experience. It is important to let them know that we appreciate them.
- B. We must **pass on** what we know about God to the next generation. Christianity must be passed on to the next generation.
- C. We must **search** our heart to be sure that we are worshipping the right God. There are so many fakes out there.
- D. We must **praise** the Son of God. Without Him no one has the right God.
- E. We must **study** and learn the word of God.