

Too Much and Too Little

This 5-day devotional guide is based on Proverbs 30:7-9 and will help you prepare your heart for the upcoming Sunday sermon, "Too Much and Too Little," in the preaching series, "Wisdom in Plain Sight." It may also be used as a guide for family devotions and is for the week ending Saturday, July 11, 2026.

Monday

Scripture: Proverbs 30:7

Questions for Reflection

- What request does Agur make of God in this verse?
- How does Agur express the urgency of this request?
- Why is it important to bring our desires and needs honestly before God?
- What does this verse teach you about praying with humility and dependence?

Questions for Children

- What does Agur ask God to give him?
- Does Agur ask God for one thing or more than one thing?

Prayer Prompt

Lord, teach me to come to You honestly with my needs. Help me trust You to give what is best at the right time.

Tuesday

Scripture: Proverbs 30:8a

Questions for Reflection

- What two things does Agur ask God to keep far from him?
- How are truthfulness and integrity connected in this request?
- Why do lies and dishonesty damage our relationship with God?
- In what situations are you most tempted to compromise truthfulness?

Questions for Children

- What bad things does Agur ask God to keep away from him?
- Does God want His people to tell the truth?

Prayer Prompt

God, keep my heart and my words true. Help me live with honesty that honors You.

Wednesday

Scripture: Proverbs 30:8b

Questions for Reflection

- What two life situations does Agur ask God to avoid for him?

- What does this request reveal about Agur's view of wealth and poverty?
- Why can both abundance and lack create spiritual dangers?
- Where do you most feel the pull toward wanting "more" than God has given?

Questions for Children

- What two things does Agur say he does not want?
- Does he ask to be very rich or very poor?

Prayer Prompt

Father, help me trust Your wisdom in what You provide. Guard my heart from wanting too much or resenting having too little.

Thursday

Scripture: Proverbs 30:9a

Questions for Reflection

- What spiritual danger does Agur associate with having too much?
- How could abundance lead someone away from trusting the Lord?
- In what ways can comfort make it harder to rely on God daily?
- How can gratitude help protect your heart when life feels full?

Questions for Children

- What might happen if someone has too much?
- Who does Agur say people might forget?

Prayer Prompt

Lord, keep me from forgetting You when life feels comfortable. Help me depend on You in every season.

Friday

Scripture: Proverbs 30:9b

Questions for Reflection

- What danger does Agur associate with having too little?
- How does he connect poverty with dishonoring God's name?
- Why does hardship sometimes tempt people to sinful choices?
- How can trusting God help you live faithfully even in need?

Questions for Children

- What bad thing might someone be tempted to do if they have too little?
- Why does God care about how His name is treated?

Prayer Prompt

God, help me honor You no matter what I have or do not have. Teach me to live with contentment and trust in You alone.