# HOW TO DO A STRESS TEST #SermonStress Strength For Stressful Times Part 2 Dr. Mark Jackson - February 11, 2018

#### **Four Areas To Check**

### 1. CHECK YOUR SCHEDULE

**Proverb 17:24** An intelligent person <u>aims at wise actions</u>, but a fool starts off in many directions. (TEV)

Ecclesiastes 5:3 ...being too busy gives you nightmares... (NLT)

**Psalm 90:12** Teach us to <u>make the most of our time</u>, so that we may grow in wisdom. (NLT)

## 2. CHECK YOUR FINANCES

**Proverbs 22:7b** ...the **borrower is servant** to the lender. (NIV)

**Proverbs 11:25** The <u>generous will prosper</u>; those who <u>refresh others</u> will themselves <u>be refreshed</u>. (NLT)

# 3. CHECK YOUR WORDS

**Proverbs 16:24** Kind words are <u>like honey</u> – <u>sweet</u> to the soul and <u>healthy for the body</u>. (NLT)

**Proverbs 15:1** A <u>gentle answer</u> turns away wrath, but a <u>harsh word</u> stirs up anger. (NIV)

James 1:19 Remember this, my dear friends! Everyone must be <u>quick to listen</u>, but <u>slow to speak</u> and <u>slow to become angry</u>. (TEV)

### 4. CHECK YOUR HEART

Proverbs 12:25a An anxious heart weights a man down... (NIV)

**Watch Out For Three Stressful Attitudes** 

Pride - I can **DO** it all!

Proverbs 16:18 Pride goes before destruction; a haughty spirit before a fall. (NIV)

Envy - I can <u>BE</u> it all!

**Proverbs 14:30** The life of the body is a tranquil heart, but **envy is a cancer in the bones**. (NJB)

Greed - I can HAVE it all!

Proverbs 15:15 ...being content is as good as an endless feast. (CEV)

Proverbs 24:10 If you fail under pressure, your strength is too small. (NLT)

**Matthew 11:28** <u>Come to me</u>, all of you who are tired from carrying heavy loads, and  $\underline{I}$  <u>will give you rest</u>. (TEV)