

## How to Make the Last Half the Best Half

- I. **Prepared Heart (Proverbs 21:31, TLB)**
  - a. You are never as prepared as you think you are.
  - b. Being prepared is learning how to respond to what comes your way through life experiences.
- II. **How can we be better prepared?**
  - a. Acknowledge you will have conflict—teach our children they are going to have battles.
    - i. Life is not fair, but God is.
  - b. Understand that **preparation** takes **sacrifice**. (Romans 12:1-2, NKJV; 1 Timothy 4:8, TLB)
- III. **What can we expect? (Matthew 7:24-29, NKJV)**
  - a. Expect to have wisdom in the matter when we hear God's Word and do God's Word.
  - b. Expect your house to stand in the storms when it is built on the Rock, Jesus Christ.

**Are you prepared?**

**Psalm 68:19-20, TLB; Proverbs 23:4-5, TEV; Proverbs 10:4, CEV; Psalm 127:1-2, NCV**