

# Is Your Knife Dull

John 10.10 (Msg) A thief is only there to steal and kill and destroy. I came so they can have real and eternal life, more and better life than they ever dreamed of.

## 1. Check Your Knife

Ephesians 2.10 (Msg) No, we neither make nor save ourselves. God does both the making and saving. He creates each of us by Christ Jesus to join him in the work he does, the good work he has gotten ready for us to do, work we had better be doing.

John 10.10 (NIV) The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy.

Isaiah 54.16 (NIV) "See, it is I who created the blacksmith who fans the coals into flame and forges a weapon fit for its work.

## 2. Reexamine The Edge

Proverbs 21.5 (ESV) The plans of the diligent lead surely to abundance, but everyone who is hasty comes only to poverty.

Jeremiah 29.11 (Msg) I know what I'm doing. I have it all planned out—plans to take care of you, not abandon you, plans to give you the future you hope for.

Proverbs 16.3 (NIV) Commit to the LORD whatever you do, and your plans will succeed.

## 3. Sharpen the Edge

Psalms 142.3 (NIV) When my spirit grows faint within me, it is you who know my way.

Matthew 11.28 (NLT) "Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. **29** Take my yoke upon you. Let me teach you, because I am humble and gentle at heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

Mark 1.35 (NLT) Before daybreak the next morning, Jesus got up and went out to an isolated place to pray.

Mark 6.31 (NLT) "...Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest." **32** So they went away by themselves in a boat to a solitary place.

## 4. Polish the Edge

Psalms 96.1 (NLT) Each day proclaim the good news that he saves.

