

THE BOOK OF PROVERBS

THE INSTRUCTION OF WISDOM AND THE APPLICATION OF KNOWLEDGE
TO THE GLORY OF GOD IN ALL THAT WE THINK, SAY AND DO TO THE HONOR OF OUR
LORD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

THE WAY OF WISDOM WILL SAVE YOUR LIFE – PART 2

The instruction of wisdom and the application of knowledge to the glory of God,
and all that we think, say, and do to the honor of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

SUBJECT TOPICALLY REFERENCED UNDER:

Wisdom, Knowledge, Discipleship, Maturity, Growth, Family, Life

Let's Stand & Turn In Our Bible's To The Reading of Our Text Today

Proverbs 2:1-22

My son, **IF YOU** receive my words, and treasure my commands within you,
2 So that you incline your ear to wisdom, and apply your heart to understanding; **3** Yes,
IF YOU cry out for discernment, and lift up your voice for understanding, **4 IF YOU**
seek her as silver, and search for her as for hidden treasures; **5** Then you will
understand the fear of the **LORD**, and find the knowledge of God.
6 For the **LORD** gives wisdom - - from His mouth come knowledge and understanding; **7**
He stores up sound wisdom for the upright; He is a shield to those who walk uprightly;
8 He guards the paths of justice and preserves the way of His saints. **9** Then you will
understand righteousness and justice, equity and every good path.
10 When wisdom enters your heart, and knowledge is pleasant to your soul, **11**
discretion will preserve you; understanding will keep you, **12** to deliver you from the
way of evil, from the man who speaks perverse things,
13 from those who leave the paths of uprightness to walk in
the ways of darkness;

14 who rejoice in doing evil, and delight in the perversity of the wicked;
 15 whose ways are crooked, and who are devious in their paths; 16 to deliver you from the immoral woman, from the seductress who flatters with her words, 17 who forsakes the companion of her youth, and forgets the covenant of her God. 18 For her house leads down to death, and her paths to the dead; 19 none who go to her return, nor do they regain the paths of life –
 20 So you may walk in the way of goodness and keep to the paths of righteousness.
 21 For the upright will dwell in the land, and the blameless will remain in it; 22 but the wicked will be cut off from the earth, and the unfaithful will be uprooted from it.

THE WAY OF WISDOM WILL SAVE YOUR LIFE

1.) Wise up vs. 1-5

1a.) By being receptive vs. 1-2

My son, IF YOU receive my words, and treasure my commands within you,
 2 So that you incline your ear to wisdom, and apply your heart to understanding

1b.) By being active vs. 3-4

3 Yes, IF YOU cry out for discernment, and lift up your voice for understanding,
 4 IF YOU seek her as silver, and search for her as for hidden treasures;

THE WAY OF WISDOM WILL SAVE YOUR LIFE WISE UP

1c.) By being complete vs. 5

Verse 5

5 Then you will understand the fear of the LORD,
 and find the knowledge of God.

DISCERNMENT IS THE GREATEST NEED OF THE HOUR

James 1:5

If any of you lacks **wisdom**, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him.

1 John 4:1

Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but **test** the spirits, whether they are of God; because many false prophets have gone out into the world.

Philippians 1:9

And this I pray, that your love may abound still more and more in knowledge and all **discernment**,

THE WAY OF WISDOM WILL SAVE YOUR LIFE

2.) Show up

vs. 6-9

Proverbs 2:6-9

6 For the **LORD** gives wisdom - - **from** His mouth come **knowledge** and **understanding**;
7 He stores up **sound** wisdom for the upright; He is a shield to those who **walk**
uprightly; **8** He guards the **paths** of **justice** and preserves **the way** of His saints. **9** Then
you will **understand** righteousness and justice, equity and every good **path**.

THE WAY OF WISDOM WILL SAVE YOUR LIFE SHOW UP

2a.) By giving **attention**

vs. 6

Verse 6

6 For the **LORD** gives wisdom - -
from His mouth come **knowledge** and **understanding**

A-Give-Away like nothing else on earth

2b.) By giving **opportunity**

vs. 7-8

Verse 7-8

7 He stores up **sound** wisdom for the upright; He is a shield to those who walk uprightly; **8** He guards the paths of **justice** and **preserves** the way of His saints

Stores Heb: tsaphan
to hide safely or safe within, treasure up deep inside,
to store away for safe keeping.

WE HAVE OPPORTUNITIES
TO STORE UP WITHIN US THAT WHICH IS GOOD – EVERYDAY **(IF)**

<https://www.foxnews.com/video/6397211906112>

“To lack the knowledge (the knowing) that you are in need of wisdom and discernment, is to already be in a state of deception decline. What follows is the evidence of being deceived.”

Our Nation – By Our Actions or The Lack of Action
Reveals that America is a Post Christian Nation.

{ THAT IS THE EXPLANATION FOR OUR DECLINE }

Shield Heb: tushiyyah
sound, efficient wisdom, abiding success, deliverance, helpful &
resourceful insight, great success.

Verse

7 He stores up **sound** wisdom for the upright;
He is a shield to those who walk uprightly;

Walk Heb: ha'lak
to go, or to go along a path with confidence, to journey out toward the desired destination with full assurance of arriving., to continue walking along the way. (i.e. to be on your way to a destination and nothing will delay you)

Verse 8

8 He guards the paths of justice
and preserves the way of His saints

Guard Heb: natsar
To be a guardian, a watcher, to be a protector, implying that the LORD is all around you. That HE is the Watcher in the watchtower, watching over you.

Psalms 125:1-2

Those who trust in the LORD Are like Mount Zion, which cannot be moved, but abides forever. **2** As the mountains surround Jerusalem, so the LORD surrounds His people from this time forth and forever.

- Candance & Tucker

Psalms 37:1-10

Do not fret because of evildoers, Nor be envious of the workers of iniquity. **2** For they shall soon be cut down like the grass, And wither as the green herb. **3** Trust in the LORD, and do good; Dwell in the land, and feed on His faithfulness. **4** Delight yourself also in the LORD, And He shall give you the desires of your heart. **5** Commit your way to the LORD, Trust also in Him, And He shall bring it to pass. **6** He shall bring forth your righteousness as the light, And your justice as the noonday. **7** Rest in the LORD, and wait patiently for Him; Do not fret because of him who prospers in his way, Because of the man who brings wicked schemes to pass. **8** Cease from anger, and forsake wrath; Do not fret - it only causes harm. **9** For evildoers shall be cut off; But those who wait on the LORD, They shall inherit the earth. **10** For yet a little while and the wicked shall be no more; Indeed, you will look carefully for his place, But it shall be no more.

Paths Heb: arach
To be a wayfarer, a pilgrim, to be in a place but not of the place.

Hebrews 13:14

For here we have no continuing city,
but we seek the one to come.

The Paths of Justice

Justice Heb: mishpat
All judgment, to enforce the ordinance, to bring the perfect execution of the law in pure judgement. to do right.

1John 2:15-17

Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. 16 For all that *is* in the world - the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life - is not of the Father but is of the world. 17 And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides forever.

Verse 8b

and (HE) preserves the way of His saints

Preserves Heb: shamar
(HE) will attend to you, (HE) will maintain the work,
(HE) will do - the doing. (HE) will finish the project.

Philippians 1:6

{BE} being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ;

Way Heb: darak
To be fixed upon the target, to be fixed upon what is being aimed at, to bend or to angle or to position yourself so as to hit the intended target. (the opposite of missing or "sinning" the target)

Jude 1:24

Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling, and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy,

Psalms 138:8

The LORD will **perfect** that which concerns me; Your mercy, O LORD, endures forever; Do not forsake **the works** of Your hands.

When The Saints Go Marching In

Hebrews 10:31

It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

THE WAY OF WISDOM
WILL SAVE YOUR LIFE
SHOW UP

2c.) By giving **yourself**

vs. 9

Verse 9

9 Then you will **understand** righteousness and justice, **equity** and every good **path**.

Amos 5:15a

HATE evil, love good; establish justice in the **gate**
(gate = the halls of justice, courts, among the civic authorities).

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