

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 3

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

What if I were to tell you that wisdom is an awesome weapon to be used in the arsenal of the Christian life? What if wisdom grants you access to the greatest protection possible. And what if you could have wisdom that acts as the most perfect guidance system ever? – It's all true and it's free for the asking.

Proverbs 1:7

The **fear** of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge,
but fools **despise** wisdom and instruction.

Fear heb: Yirah [432a]; from 3372a
to be awe inspiring or more exact, the awesome nature of God.
awesome, reverence.

Despise heb: buz [100b]
to scorn, laugh at, to hold in contempt, to ridicule, to mock it.
to have total and utter rejection for in word and in lifestyle.

James 1:5-8

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. **6** But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind. **7** For let not that man suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord; **8** he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.

Let's Grab Our Bibles & Stand for the reading of God's Word.

Proverbs 2:10-22

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.) But We've Got to Wise up vs. 1-5

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

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

1c.) By being complete vs. 5

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2.) But We've Got to **Show up** vs. 6-9

2a.) By giving **attention** vs. 6

2b.) By giving **opportunity** vs. 7-8

2c.) By giving **yourself** vs. 9

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3.) But We've Got to **Wake up** vs. 10-13

Proverbs 2:10-13

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THE WAY OF WISDOM WILL SAVE YOUR LIFE WAKE UP

3a.) And let **wisdom** in vs. 10-11

Verse 10a

Proverbs 2:10-11

10 When wisdom enters your heart, and knowledge is pleasant to your soul, **11** discretion will preserve you; understanding will keep you

When Heb: asher
as is since, or now, or at the moment of,
or at the commencement of.

Just Like Waking Up Involves the Issue of Time,
So Does This Word “When”

It’s a {Time-Stamp} meaning that it has a very particular purpose of drawing your attention to a very important point.

Here the word {When} is communicating to us that’
{When} this happens, {When} this takes place,
{When} or {Once} you embrace this – then everything else changes

{When} - At Just The Right Time.
{ So church, when is just the right time for us
to acquire wisdom & knowledge? }

“It is akin to **NOW HEAR THIS** as a call to **ATTENTION TO ORDERS.**”
It means - **LISTEN, UNDERSTAND, & OBEY.**

This one word has the exact same meaning of the **She’ma**:
“**HEAR, O ISRAEL** the LORD our God is One.”

Deuteronomy 6:4-5

“**Hear**, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one! **5** **YOU SHALL LOVE** the LORD
your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength.

Verse 10b

Proverbs 2:10

10 **When** wisdom
enters your heart, and **knowledge** is **pleasant** to your soul,

Enters Heb: bo
to come at you, to advance toward you, to bring forward or to
present or show itself. (when that happens, lay hold of it)

It’s as though wisdom
walks up to you and says, “here I am”

The Wisdom of Understanding {Wisdom}

Wisdom is the ability to rightly apply knowledge and to your decision making process. Wisdom is made known by how it guides us in Real-Life situations. This understanding of wisdom emphasizes its practical application rather than just theoretical knowledge.

Verse 10c

Proverbs 2:10c
and **knowledge** is **pleasant** to your soul,

pleasant heb: na'em
to be delightful, or lovely, surpassing natural beauty (a soul, all things of the mind being calm and peaceful)

Verse 11

Proverbs 2:11
11 **discretion** will **preserve** you; **understanding** will **keep** you

The Result Is...

Discretion Heb: mezimmah
To know the purpose, to discern the intent, to be aware of the plot or plan. to know what is happening. In the case of spiritual warfare, it is to be made aware of the enemies' plans. Information warfare.

Ephesians 6:11
Put on the whole armor of God, (why?)
that **you may be able to stand against the wiles** of the devil.

Wiles Grk: Meth'o'dei'a
to employ craft, deceit, schemes, plots, plans, methods, methodology.

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3b.) And let **understanding** in vs. 12

Verse 12

12 to deliver you from the way of evil,
from the man who speaks perverse things,

- Deliver Heb: nats'al (in the positive)
to escape from, to be plucked up and away from, to be preserved
or rescued from.
- Deliver Heb: nats'al (in the negative)
to be plundered or pillaged, to be taken advantage of, stripped of your
goods, to have your armor removed and taken away.
- Perverse Heb: tahpukah, tah-poo-kaw'; from 2015; a perversity or fraud:—(very)
forward (-ness, thing), perverse thing.

There's a Pandemic Sweeping the Land.

Just like before – a mask will not protect you from it. A shot or a booster shot will not protect you. Only Wisdom can protect you from the man or the woman who is saying PERVERSE things.

Are you watching what I am watching?

People are being swept away by the words of lunatics, idiots,
Lairs and fools and all of them are wicked at the heart - mouth.

Proverbs 18:21

Death and (or) life are in the power of the tongue,
and those who love it - will eat its fruit.

Matthew 12:34-37

How can you, being evil, speak good things? For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks. **35** A good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth good things, and an evil man out of the evil treasure brings forth evil things. **36** But I say to you that for every idle word men may speak, they will give account of it in the day of judgment. **37** For by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned."

Acts 20:29-31

For I know this, that after my departure savage wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock. 30 Also from among yourselves men will rise up, speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after themselves. 31 Therefore watch, and remember that for three years I did not cease to warn everyone night and day with tears.

Philippians 3:2,18-19

Beware of dogs, beware of evil workers, beware of the mutilation... 18 For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ: 19 whose end is destruction, whose god is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame—who set their mind on earthly things.

1 Peter 5:8-9 NLT

Stay alert! Watch out for your great enemy, the devil. He prowls around like a roaring lion, looking for someone to devour. 9 Stand firm against him, and be strong in your faith. Remember that your family of believers all over the world is going through the same kind of suffering you are.

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3c.) And let **life** in

vs. 13

Verse 13

13 from those who **leave** the **paths** of **uprightness**
to **walk** in the **ways** of **darkness**;

The wisdom of God - will keep you **alive**

Leave

Heb: a'zab

to forsake, loose or abandon the path or road, to stop going in the right direction. the meaning implies that this is due to neglect, to slow down, to look away, to stop, to gaze about. To sit and to become stagnant.

The wisdom of God - will keep you in the **light**

Darkness Heb: cha'shak
to be losing light or growing dark, to dim, to fade into darkness.

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