

2/12/17 | WISE UP: Get Wisdom



*"The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge;
Fools despise wisdom and instruction."*

—Proverbs 1:7 | NASB

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. Have you ever been torn between two good choices? How did you pick between the two?
2. Describe a time you consciously decided to seek wisdom. Where did you go, or whom did you talk to?
3. Have you ever been given unwelcome advice you later recognized as wise? Describe.

4. Consider the quote on the right. Why do you think Solomon said the fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge?

The fear of the Lord means to reverence Him humbly, to submit to Him gladly, to trust in Him wholly, to obey Him continually, to love Him supremely, to follow Him fully, and to walk with Him confidently.
—F.E. Marsh,
commentary on Proverbs

5. If that's the beginning of knowledge, is there an end of knowledge?

Consider three examples of characters in the Bible learning wisdom or receiving wise advice:

6. Wisdom in Prayer | Read 2 Chronicles 1:1-12
Solomon—how did he get wisdom? Why did God grant his request?

How does this apply to you?

7. Wisdom in Work | Read Exodus 18:13-27

Moses—how did he get wisdom? What advice did his father-in-law give him?

How does this apply to you?

8. Wisdom in Fellowship | Read Luke 10:38-42

Martha—how did she get wisdom? What advice did Jesus give her?

How does this apply to you?

9. What do these three examples have to do with the fear of the Lord?

10. What do they have to do with getting wisdom from God's Word?

11. What do they have to do with getting wisdom from community?

TAKEAWAY: Let's read the Bible together!

With 31 chapters in Proverbs, read a chapter each day during the course of this series. Read the chapter that corresponds with the day of the month. For example, on February 14, read Proverbs 14, March 3 read Proverbs 3!