

## Wisdom

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### PROVERBS OF SOLOMON

**Proverbs 1:1** The **proverbs of Solomon** the son of David, king of Israel;

**1 Kings 4:29-33** And **God gave Solomon wisdom** and **understanding** exceeding much, and largeness of heart, even as the sand that is on the sea shore. **30** And **Solomon's wisdom excelled** the wisdom of all the children of the east country, and all the wisdom of Egypt. **31** For he was **wiser than all men**; than Ethan the Ezrahite, and Heman, and Chalcol, and Darda, the sons of Mahol: and his fame was in all nations round about. **32** And he spake **three thousand proverbs**: and his songs were a thousand and five.

### PURPOSE OF THE BOOK

**Proverbs 1:2-6** To know **wisdom** [Skillful] and **instruction** [discipline, direction]; to perceive the words of **understanding** [discernment]; **3** To receive the instruction of wisdom, **justice** [correct decision], and **judgment** [righteousness- right behavior], and **equity** [right thing]; **4** To give **subtilty** [prudence -foreseeing and avoiding evil] to the simple, to the young man **knowledge** and **discretion** [discernment which enables a person to judge critically of what is correct and proper]. **5** A wise man will hear, and will increase learning; and a man of understanding shall attain unto wise counsels:

### THEME OF THIS BOOK

**Proverbs 1:1-2** The **proverbs** of Solomon the son of David, king of Israel; **2** **To know wisdom ...**

### KNOWLEDGE ? UNDERSTANDING - WISDOM

**Proverbs 18:15** The heart of the prudent **acquires knowledge**, And the ear of the wise **seeks knowledge**.  
**Psalms 49:3** My mouth shall speak of wisdom; and the **meditation** of my heart shall be of **understanding**.  
**Proverbs 10:23** It is as sport to a fool to do mischief: but **a man of understanding hath wisdom**.

### SOURCE OF WISDOM

**Proverbs 2:6** For **the LORD giveth wisdom**: out of his mouth cometh **knowledge** and **understanding**.  
**1 Timothy 1:17** Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, **the only wise God**, ...

### LAW OF THE LORD MAKE US WISE

**Psalms 19:7** The **law of the LORD** is perfect, converting the soul: the **testimony of the LORD** [ the Holy Scriptures] is sure [to be believed], **MAKING WISE** the simple.

### WISDOM IS THE PRINCIPAL THING

**Proverbs 4:7** **Wisdom** is the **PRINCIPAL THING** [the most important matter in life]; therefore get **wisdom**: and with all thy getting [riches, substance, goods, money] get [buy] **understanding**.

### WISDOM IS VALUABLE

**Proverbs 3:13-16** **Happy** is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth understanding. **14** For the merchandise of it is better than the merchandise of silver, and the **gain** thereof than fine gold. **15** She is more **precious than rubies**: and all the things thou canst desire are not to be compared unto her. **16** **Length of days** is in her right hand; and in her left hand **riches and honour**.

### BUY IT AND DON'T SELL IT

**Proverbs 23:23** **BUY** the **truth**, and **SELL IT NOT**; also **wisdom**, and **instruction**, and **understanding**.

### THE GOAL OF THE BOOK

**Proverbs 3:35** The **wise** shall **INHERIT GLORY** (in the kingdom): but **shame** shall be the promotion of **fools**.

**Proverbs 4:9** She [wisdom v7] shall give to thine head an ornament of grace: **A CROWN OF GLORY** shall she deliver to thee.

### **THE FEAR OF THE LORD IS THE START OF WISDOM**

**Proverbs 1:7** The **fear of the LORD** is the **beginning** of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction.

**Proverbs 9:10** The fear of the Lord is **the start of wisdom**, and the knowledge of the Holy One gives a wise mind.

### **HOW TO GET THE FEAR ?**

**Proverbs 2:1-5** My son, if thou wilt **receive my words**, and **hide my commandments with thee**; 2 So that thou **incline thine ear unto wisdom**, and **apply thine heart to understanding**; 3 Yea, if thou **criest after knowledge**, and **liftest up thy voice for understanding**; 4 If thou **seekest her as silver**, and **searchest for her as for hid treasures**; 5 **Then shalt thou understand the fear of the LORD**, and find the knowledge of God.

## **FEAR MOTIVATES MEN TO DEPART FROM EVIL**

**Proverbs 16:6** By mercy and truth iniquity is purged: and **by [through] the fear of the LORD** men **depart from evil**.

### **A WISE MAN FEARETH**

**Proverbs 14:16** **A WISE MAN FEARETH**, and **departeth from evil**: but the fool **rageth**, and is confident.

## **EYES OF THE WISE**

**Proverbs 22:3** A prudent man **foreseeth the evil**, and **hideth himself**: but the simple **pass on**, and are **punished**.

### **MIND OF THE WISE**

**Proverbs 15:24** The **way of life IS ABOVE** [Mind set on things above; ie: thinking about appearing with Him in Glory Col 3:1-4]. to the wise, that he may **depart from hell beneath** [and attain unto the resurrection of the dead -Phil 3:14]

### **THE EAR OF THE WISE**

**Proverbs 18:15** The **heart of the prudent getteth knowledge**; and **the ear of the wise seeketh knowledge**.

**Proverbs 18:13** He that **answereth a matter before he heareth it**, it is **folly and shame** unto him.

## **WISE MAN LOVE CORRECTION, REBUKE AND INSTRUCTION**

**Proverbs 17:10** A **reproof** entereth more into a wise man than an hundred stripes into a fool.

**Proverbs 9:8,9** **Reprove not a scorner**, lest he hate thee: **rebuke a wise man**, and he will love thee. Give **instruction** to a wise man, and he will be yet wiser: teach a just man, and he will increase in learning.

### **THE WISE IN HEART**

**Proverbs 10:8** The **wise in HEART** will **receive commandments**: but a prating fool [full of talk] shall fall.

**Proverbs 16:21** The **wise in heart** shall be called prudent: and the sweetness of the lips **increaseth learning**.

### **THE MOUTH OF THE WISE**

**Proverbs 16:23** The heart of the **wise teacheth his mouth**, and addeth learning to his lips.

**Proverbs 15:2** The tongue of the wise useth **knowledge aright**: but the **mouth of fools poureth out foolishness**.

### **LIPS OF THE WISE**

**Proverbs 10:19** In the **multitude of words** there wanteth not sin: but **he that refraineth [hold back] his lips is wise**.

**Proverbs 17:28** Even a fool, when he holdeth his peace, is counted wise: and he that shutteth his lips is esteemed a man of understanding.

### **TONGUE OF THE WISE**

**Proverbs 12:18** There is that speaketh like the piercings of a sword: but the tongue of the wise is health.

**Proverbs 10:32** Righteous people know the kind thing to say, but the wicked are always saying things that hurt.

**Proverbs 15:4** A comforting tongue is a tree of life, but a twisted tongue is a crushing of the spirit.

### **SPIRIT OF THE WISE**

**Proverbs 19:11** The discretion of a man deferreth his anger; and it is his glory to pass over a transgression.

**Ecclesiastes 7:9** Be not hasty in thy spirit to be angry: for anger resteth in the bosom of fools.

### **WISE WOMAN**

**Proverbs 14:1** Every wise woman buildeth her house: but the foolish plucketh it down with her hands.

### **WISE MEN ARE DILIGENT**

**Proverbs 2:3-4** Yea, if thou criest after knowledge, and liftest up thy voice for understanding; 4 If thou seekest her [Wisdom v2] as silver, and searchest for her as for hid treasures;

### **IN CHRIST ARE HID TREASURES OF WISDOM**

**Colossians 2:3** In whom [in christ] are hid ALL the treasures [thesaurus-a stored] of wisdom and knowledge.

### **BEHOLD, A GREATER THAN SOLOMON IS HERE**

**Matthew 12:42** The queen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: for she came from the uttermost parts of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and, behold, a greater than Solomon is here.

### **WISDOM LEADS TO SALVATION**

**2 Timothy 3:15** and that from childhood you have known the sacred writings which are able to give you the wisdom that leads to salvation [Pro 3:35 The wise shall INHERIT GLORY; obtaining the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with age lasting glory 2 Tim 2:10] through faith which is in Christ Jesus.