

- To receive instruction in wise dealing, in
  - righteousness,
  - justice, and
  - equity.

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# Proverbs Goals

- To give prudence to the simple,
- knowledge and discretion to the youth.

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- Let the wise hear and increase in learning, and
- the one who understands obtain guidance.

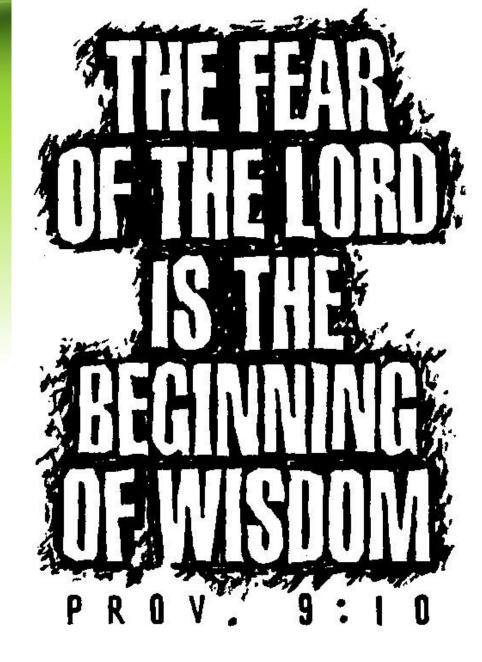
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# The Basics



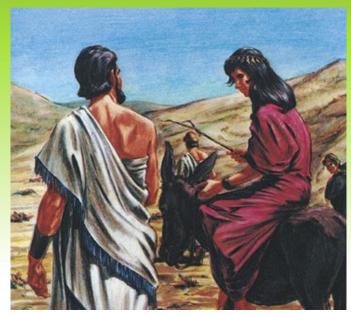
# The Path to Wisdom

# FEAR GOD & KEEP HIS COMMANDS. Ecclesiastes 12:13



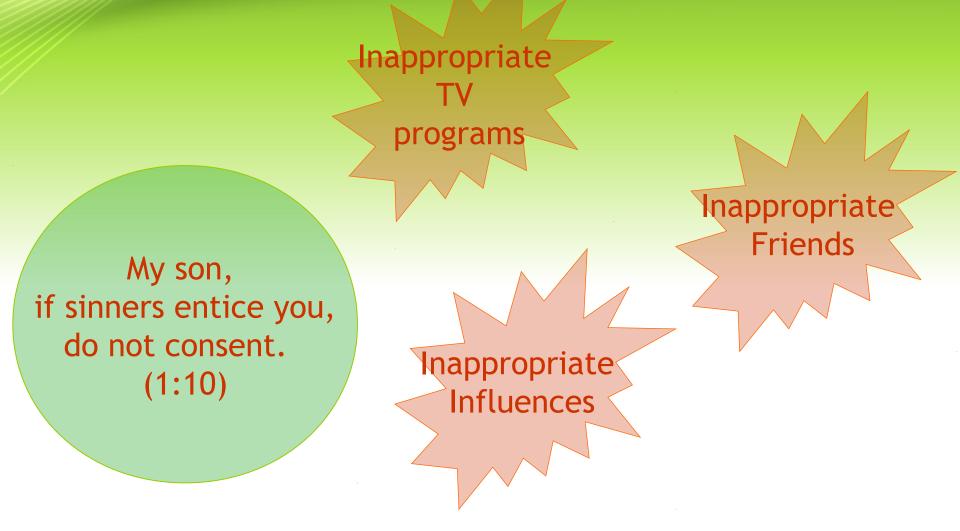
# Abraham Feared God

 Abraham said, "I did it because I thought, There is no fear of God at all in this place, and they will kill me because of my wife. (Genesis 20:11 ESV)



Abraham was richly blessed! Fear gave him the ability to do right.  He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now <u>I know that you fear God</u>, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." (Genesis 22:12 ESV)

# Do NOT consent!



Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. (Ephesians 5:11 ESV)

Do not let wisdom have her revenge! Act while you can! Today you can, Tomoorow may be too late! [Be counted among the wise virgins] When terror strikes you like a storm and your calamity comes like a whirlwind, when

calamity comes like a whirlwind, when distress and anguish come upon you.

Then they will call upon me,

but I will not answer; they will seek me diligently but will not find me.

(1:27-28)



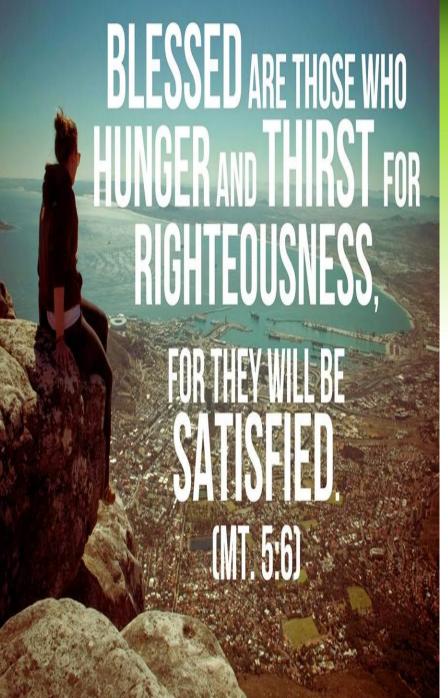
# Understanding the fear of the LORD

1. My son, if you receive my words and treasure up my commandments with you, (2:1)



2. If you seek it like silver and search for it as for hidden treasures, <u>then</u> you will understand the fear of the LORD and find the knowledge of God. (2:4-5)

3. For the LORD gives wisdom; from his mouth come knowledge and understanding; (2:6)



Is Wisdom for You? Setting Expectations! Then you will understand righteousness and justice and equity, every good path; (2:9)

Delivering you from the way of evil, from men of perverted speech, (2:12)

he stores up sound wisdom for the upright; he is a shield to those who walk in integrity, (2:7)

# Little children, let no man deceive you: he that does righteousness is righteous, even as he is righteous.

-1 John 3:7

Righteosuness

can be achieved

Let not let your flesh / devil / or incorrect doctrines of Grace decieve you to do unrighteousness

WISDOM Do not Give up!

# Example of Fear & Wisdom

- So you will be delivered from the forbidden woman, from the adulteress with her smooth words, (2:16)
- None who go to her come back, nor do they regain the paths of life. (2:19)



Joseph Jailed for his Fear & Wisdom But rose in power thereafter!

Joseph's Fear Factor gave him the ability to do right.

#### FEARFUL RESPECT

"Behold, because of me my master has no concern about anything in the house, and he has put everything that he has in my charge.

#### FEAR OF GOD

How then can I do this great wickedness and sin against God?" (Genesis 39:8-9 ESV)

"Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the LORD, and depart from evil." Proverbs 3:7 KJV

# Wisdom Speaks Her Heart

Let us hear her

"Wisdom Traits" from Proverbs 3

#### Wise Life = Long Life But Faith may have different calling for you



My son, do not forget my teaching, but keep my commands in your heart, for they will prolong your life many years and bring you prosperity. proverbs 3:1-2

And Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and miracles among the people. (Acts 6:8 KJV)

And they stoned Stephen (Act 7:59)

# Mercy & Truth - Make them part of you



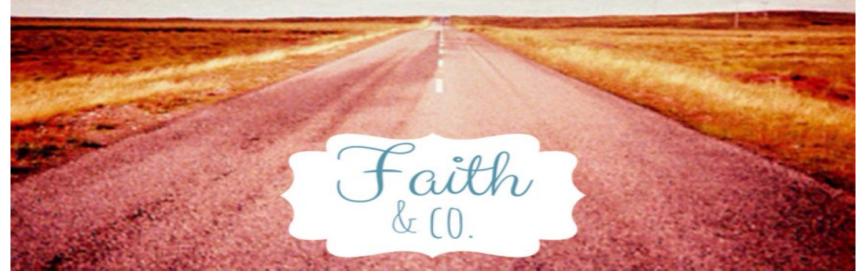
### Advantages of Mercy & Truth

 So shalt thou find favour and good understanding in the sight of God and man. (3:4)

And the child Samuel grew on, and was in favour both with the LORD, and also with men. (1 Samuel 2:26 KJV) The LORD was with Samuel as he grew up, and he let none of his words fall to the ground. —1 Samuel 3.19

#### Wisdom = Trusting in God Advantage = He will make your path straignt

TRUST THE LORD WITH ALL YOUR HEART AND LEAN NOT ON YOUR OWN UNDERSTANDING. IN ALL YOUR WAYS SUBMIT TO HIM, AND HE WILL MAKE YOUR PATHS STRAIGHT. PROVERBS 3:5-6

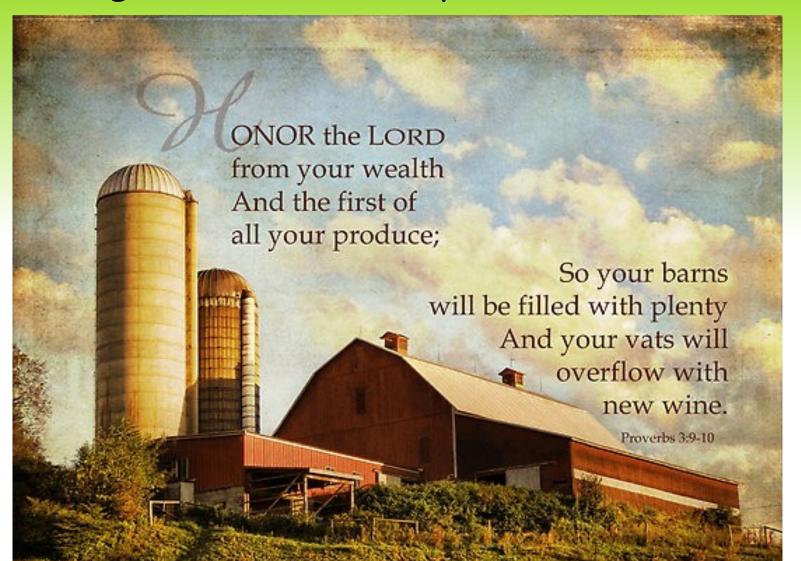


#### Wisdom = Fear the Lord => Turn away from Evil Advantage = Healing & refreshemnt

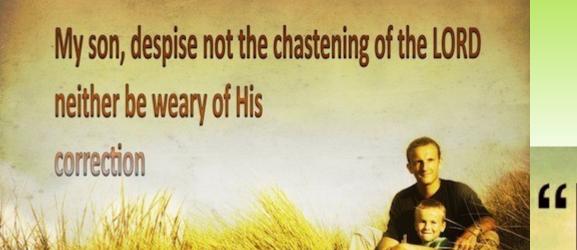
"Do not be wise in your own eyes; Fear the Lord and depart from evil. It will be health to your flesh, And strength to your bones." - Proverbs 3:7-8 (NKJV)

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#### Wisdom = Give your wealth to the LORD and other Advantage = God will bless you



#### Wisdom = Accept correction Advantage = God Loves you



# Proverbs 3:11

For the LORD corrects those he loves, just as a father corrects a child in whom he delights.

PROVERBS 3:12 (NLT)

#### Wisdom = Doing good without fail Advantage = Lord shall be your protection

Do not withhold good from those who deserve it when it is your power to help them. Proverbs 3: 27

Say not unto thy neighbour, Go, and come again, and tomorrow I will give; when thou hast it by thee. (Proverbs 3:28)

#### Wisdom = Be at peace and be content Advantage = You will see the Lord

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Don't plot harm against your neighbor, for those who live hearby TRUST YOU. Don't pick a fight without reason, when no one has done you harm. Proverbs 3:29-30

Try to live peacefully with everyone, and try to live holy lives, because if you don't, you will not see the Lord. (Hebrews 12:14)

#### Wisdom = Do not Envy a violent man Advantage = God's secret is with the upright.

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For the perverse is an abomination to the LORD: but his secret is with the upright. (Proverbs 3:32) Wisdom = Come and Find me Advantage = Blessing, High Worth, Long Life, Peace, Tree of Life

#### HAPPY IS THE MAN WHO FINDS WISDOM, AND THE MAN WHO GAINS UNDERSTANDING.

PROVERBS 3:13



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**13** Blessed are those who find wisdom, those who gain understanding, 14 for she is more profitable than silver and yields better returns than gold. 15 She is more precious than rubies; nothing you desire can compare with her. **16** Long life is in her right hand; in her left hand are riches and honor. 17 Her ways are pleasant ways,

and all her paths are peace.

#### Wisdom = Find her, Keep her Advantage = Eternal Life

#### "She is a tree of life to those who take hold of her,

#### and happy are all who hold her fast."

Proverbs 3:18

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The LORD by wisdom hath founded the earth; by understanding hath he established the heavens. (Proverbs 3:19)

Wisdom includes science but that is not the whole story

#### Wisdom = Discretion Advantage = Safety, not stumble, Grace & Eternal Life

Keep sound wisdom and discretion. Then you will walk safely in your way, and your foot will not stumble. Proverbs 3:21(a) & 23

# So shall they be life to your soul, and grace to your neck.

Proverbs 3:22

Wisdom = Trusting God Advantage = Security, LORD shall be thy confidence, No fear, Sweet sleep

> "When you lie down, you need not be afraid And you shall lie down and your sleep shall be sweet,"

Proverbs 3:24

Have no fear of sudden disaster or of the ruin that overtakes the wicked, for the Lord will be your confidence and will keep your foot from being snared. Proverbs 3:25-26

# Summary of Wisdom (From first 3 chapters only)

- 1. Wisdom is to Fear YHWH
- 2. Wisdom is not to consent to Sin and Sinners
- 3. The LORD gives wisdom from his mouth (recorded in the Bible)
- 4. Get Wisdom before it is too Late
- 5. With Wisdom you will understand & practice righteousness, justice and equity, every good path
- 6. Wisdom gives Long life
- 7. Wisdom is showing Mercy & being Truthful
- 8. With Wisdom you will find favour in the sight of God and man
- 9. Wisdom is trusting God
- 10.Wisdom is to accept correction
- 11. Wisdom is to be keen to help others
- 12.Way of Wisdom is Peace
- 13. Wisdom is not to envy whom God does not approve

