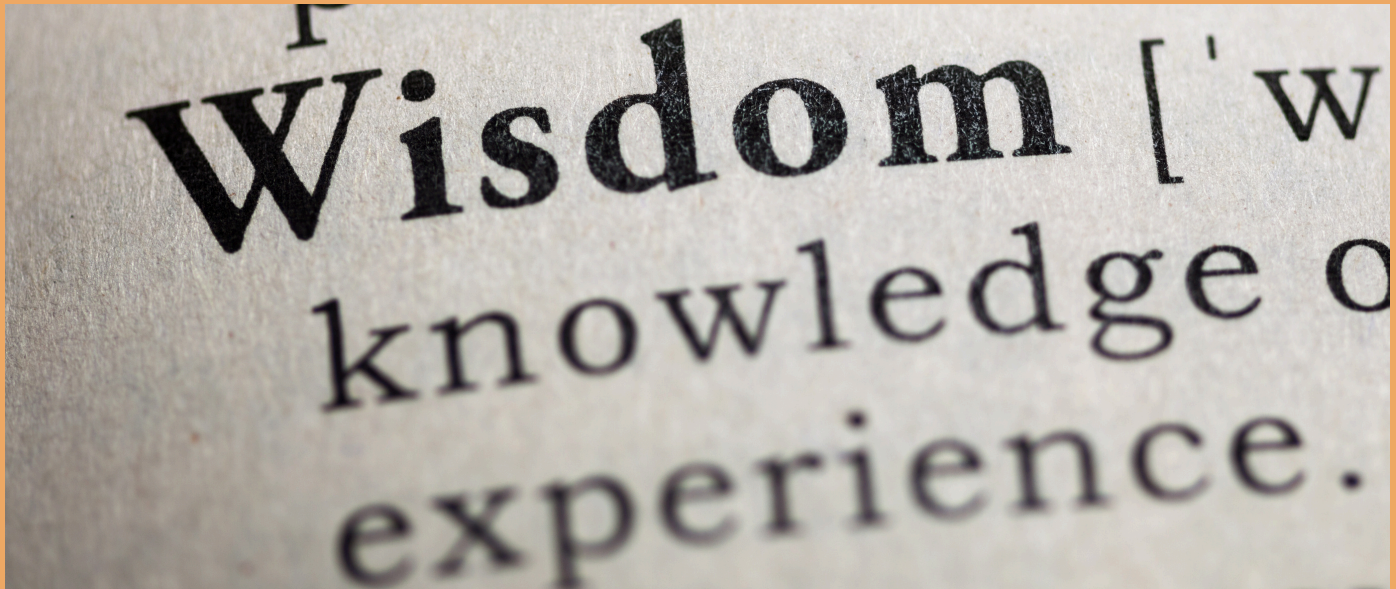


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NEWSLETTER



WALKING IN WISDOM

Wisdom is one of the most vital qualities a believer can pursue. While knowledge fills the mind, wisdom shapes the heart and decisions. It is not just about knowing right from wrong but choosing God's way consistently. The Hebrew word for wisdom (ḥokmâ) conveys the idea of skillful living, akin to that of a skilled artist, craftsman, or sailor who navigates difficult waters with precision. Spiritually, to “walk in wisdom” means to live life skillfully, in alignment and obedience to God's will.

Knowledge is knowing the truth; wisdom is applying the truth with discernment, humility, and obedience. Wisdom is essential because we live in a world full of information, but very little wisdom. Today, we turn our hearts to the Word of God, the only true source of eternal wisdom.

Proverbs 4:7 (NIV): The beginning of wisdom is this: Get wisdom. Though it costs all you have, get understanding.

I. The Source of True Wisdom

1. God is the giver of wisdom.

James 1:5 (NIV): If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.

Proverbs 2:6 (NIV): For the Lord gives wisdom; from his mouth come knowledge and understanding.

II. Characteristics of Godly Wisdom

1. It is pure, peaceable, and humble

James 3:17 (NIV): But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere.

Proverbs 11:2 (NIV): When pride comes, then comes disgrace, but with humility comes wisdom.

III. Wisdom vs. Foolishness

1. The fool despises wisdom

Proverbs 1:7 (NIV): The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and instruction.

2. A wise person accepts correction.

Proverbs 9:8-9 (NIV): Do not rebuke mockers or they will hate you; rebuke the wise and they will love you. Instruct the wise and they will be wiser still; teach the righteous and it will add to their learning.

IV. Walking in Wisdom Daily

1. Through the Word and the Holy Spirit

Psalms 119:98-100 (NIV): Your commands are always with me and make me wiser than my enemies. I have more insight than all my teachers, for I meditate on your statutes. I have more understanding than the elders, for I obey your precepts.

Isaiah 11:2 (NIV): And the spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding.

V. Wisdom in Action

1. Wisdom in speech and Relationships

Proverbs 18:21 (NIV): Death and life are in the power of the tongue: and those that love it shall eat its fruit.

Ecclesiastes 10:12 (NIV): The words of a wise man's mouth are gracious; but the lips of a fool will swallow up himself.

Proverbs 13:20 (NIV): Walk with the wise and become wise, for a companion of fools suffers harm.

VI. Jesus Christ: The Wisdom of God

The ultimate expression of wisdom is found in Christ.

1 Corinthians 1:24 (NIV): ...Christ the power of God, and the wisdom of God.

Colossians 2:3 (NIV): In whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

Wisdom is for anyone who fears the Lord and seeks His way. Proverbs 3:13-18 (NIV) states happy is the man that finds wisdom. Let us ask God for wisdom today. Not just for big decisions, but for daily living. Let us treasure His Word, listen to His Spirit, and walk in the footsteps of Christ, our wisdom.