

65 Bible Verses on Wisdom

From the Proverbs of Solomon to the letters of the apostles

Wisdom in Scripture is not the same as intelligence, education, or accumulated information. You can have all three and still be a fool. Wisdom is something else — a way of seeing that comes from knowing God, a capacity for right judgment that is grown through humility and obedience. It is the most practical thing in the world and the most rare.

These sixty-five verses are an invitation to pursue it.

Where Wisdom Begins

Wisdom in Scripture never starts with intelligence. It starts with the right posture before God.

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PROVERBS 1:7

“The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and instruction.”

The beginning, not the whole. Wisdom does not start with a course or a clever mind. It starts with the right posture before God. The Hebrew word for fear here is *yirah* — not terror, but reverent awe, the recognition of who God is and who you are in comparison. That recognition is where wisdom opens.

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PROVERBS 9:10

“The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.”

Knowledge of the Holy One is understanding. The deeper you know God, the more clearly you understand how the world actually works, what people need, and what truly matters. Wisdom is not a separate subject from theology. It is what knowing God produces in practical life.

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JAMES 1:5

“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.”

Without reproach. God does not roll His eyes when you ask for wisdom. He does not remind you that you should already have figured this out. He gives liberally — generously, without reservation. The only qualification for receiving wisdom is the asking.

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JAMES 3:17

“But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy.”

From above — James distinguishes two kinds of wisdom earlier in the chapter. The earthly kind is bitter, envious, self-seeking. The wisdom from above has seven qualities, and they are all relational. Wisdom from God shows up not in what you know but in how you treat people.

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ECCLESIASTES 2:26

“For God gives wisdom and knowledge and joy to a man who is good in His sight.”

Gives. Wisdom is a gift before it is an achievement. Solomon, the wisest man who ever lived, received his wisdom as a gift from God in a dream. You do not earn your way into wisdom by study alone. You receive it from the One who holds all of it.

THE VALUE OF WISDOM

The Value of Wisdom

Scripture is bold about the worth of wisdom. It is more valuable than any other thing you could spend a life acquiring.

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PROVERBS 3:13-14

“Happy is the man who finds wisdom, and the man who gains understanding; for her proceeds are better than the profits of silver, and her gain than fine gold.”

Better than silver. Better than gold. Proverbs does not say wisdom is useful or advisable. It says wisdom is more valuable than the things people spend entire lives pursuing. The person who finds it is happy — not comfortable necessarily, but rightly oriented toward what is actually worth having.

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PROVERBS 4:7

“Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom. And in all your getting, get understanding.”

The principal thing — the first, the most important, the chief priority. Not wealth, not status, not connection. Wisdom. The Hebrew says: wisdom is the beginning of everything. Whatever else you are building your life toward, this is what it must be built on.

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PROVERBS 8:11

“For wisdom is better than rubies, and all the things one may desire cannot be compared with her.”

Cannot be compared. The comparison is not close. Everything a person might naturally desire — every category of earthly good — does not come close to what wisdom offers. This is not ascetic religious sentiment. It is a direct claim about the structure of reality.

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PROVERBS 3:21-22

“My son, let them not depart from your eyes — keep sound wisdom and discretion; so they will be life to your soul and grace to your neck.”

Life to your soul and grace to your neck. Wisdom is not merely practical benefit. It gives something to the soul — a quality of life that goes deeper than circumstance. Grace to the neck is an image of dignity, of bearing. The wise person carries themselves differently.

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JOB 28:28

“And to man He said, ‘Behold, the fear of the Lord, that is wisdom, and to depart from evil is understanding.’”

To depart from evil is understanding. Job’s famous meditation on wisdom ends here: wisdom is not primarily intellectual. It has a moral dimension. The person who lives rightly, who turns from what damages and destroys, is demonstrating the deepest form of understanding.

WHERE WISDOM COMES FROM

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Wisdom has a source. Go there first.

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PROVERBS 2:6

“For the Lord gives wisdom; from His mouth come knowledge and understanding.”

From His mouth. Wisdom comes through the Word of God before it comes through experience. The person who neglects Scripture is neglecting the primary source of wisdom. You cannot read around God’s mouth and expect to arrive at the understanding His mouth is designed to give.

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COLOSSIANS 2:3

“In whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.”

In Christ. All of them. Not some, not a portion. All the treasures of wisdom and knowledge are located in one Person. The person who grows in knowledge of Christ grows in access to the only wisdom worth having. Christology and wisdom are not separate conversations.

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PROVERBS 2:1-5

“My son, if you receive my words, and treasure my commands within you, so that you incline your ear to wisdom, and apply your heart to understanding; yes, if you cry out for knowledge, and lift up your voice for understanding; if you seek her as silver, and search for her as for hidden treasures; then you will understand the fear of the Lord, and find the knowledge of God.”

Cry out for it. Lift your voice. Seek her as silver, search as for hidden treasures. Wisdom does not come to the casually curious. It comes to the one who pursues it with the intensity of someone who genuinely needs it. The posture of hunger is part of the condition for receiving.

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PSALM 111:10

“The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; a good understanding have all those who do His commandments. His praise endures forever.”

A good understanding have all those who do His commandments. Obedience is not separate from wisdom — it is wisdom applied. The person who hears and does is not just morally compliant. They are building understanding with every act of faithfulness.

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DANIEL 2:20-21

“Daniel answered and said: ‘Blessed be the name of God forever and ever, for wisdom and might are His. And He changes the times and the seasons; He removes kings and raises up kings; He gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to those who have understanding.’”

He gives wisdom to the wise. This sounds circular, but it is not. God gives more wisdom to those who have honoured the wisdom they already have. The right response to wisdom received is always to use it, which then creates the capacity to receive more.

THE CHARACTER OF THE WISE

The Character of the Wise

Wisdom is not just a body of knowledge. It shapes the person who holds it.

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PROVERBS 11:2

“When pride comes, then comes shame; but with the humble is wisdom.”

With the humble is wisdom. Pride and wisdom are incompatible because pride is the conviction that you already know enough. Humility is the posture that keeps learning, that stays teachable, that can receive correction. Wisdom makes its home in the person who does not assume they have arrived.

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PROVERBS 13:10

“By pride comes nothing but strife, but with the well-advised is wisdom.”

The well-advised. Wise people seek counsel. They do not assume that their own perspective is sufficient. The person who surrounds themselves with good advisors is already demonstrating one of the marks of wisdom: knowing the limits of what they can see alone.

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PROVERBS 12:15

“The way of a fool is right in his own eyes, but he who heeds counsel is wise.”

Right in his own eyes. The fool does not feel foolish. The absence of doubt can be a warning sign, not a confirmation of wisdom. The wise person remains open to the possibility that they are wrong, that someone else sees something they have missed.

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PROVERBS 15:33

“The fear of the Lord is the instruction of wisdom, and before honor is humility.”

Before honor is humility. The sequence matters. You do not arrive at honour by seeking it. You arrive at honour through humility, which is the soil in which wisdom grows. The person who positions themselves to be noticed has already bypassed the path that leads to what they want.

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PROVERBS 19:20

“Listen to counsel and receive instruction, that you may be wise in your latter end.”

Your latter end. Wisdom is a long game. The person who is truly wise at the end of their life has been listening and receiving instruction for decades. You cannot compress it into a short season. Every season of listening is building toward something.

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PROVERBS 17:28

“Even a fool is counted wise when he holds his peace; when he closes his lips, he is considered perceptive.”

The wise person knows when not to speak. Words are currency, and the wise spend them carefully. Restraint, timing, the ability to listen more than you talk — these are not passive qualities. They are active, demanding exercises in wisdom.

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PROVERBS 10:19

“In the multitude of words sin is not lacking, but he who restrains his lips is wise.”

In the multitude of words sin is not lacking. The more you talk, the more likely you are to say something you should not. Wisdom does not require silence, but it does require discipline over the tongue. The quiet person in the room is often the one who has thought longest.

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PROVERBS 14:29

“He who is slow to wrath has great understanding, but he who is impulsive exalts folly.”

Slow to wrath has great understanding. Emotional impulse and wisdom are in tension. The person who reacts immediately from emotion is not demonstrating passion — they are demonstrating the absence of the pause that wisdom requires. Understanding inserts itself between the provocation and the response.

WISDOM AND THE TONGUE

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One of the clearest tests of wisdom is what comes out of a person’s mouth.

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PROVERBS 29:11

“A fool vents all his feelings, but a wise man holds them back.”

Holds them back. Not suppresses. Not denies. Holds — the wise person feels everything the fool feels, but exercises authority over the expression. Wisdom is not emotional flatness. It is emotional sovereignty: feeling deeply, and choosing how and when to speak.

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PROVERBS 15:1

“A soft answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.”

Soft answer. The word used is also translated gentle or tender. Wisdom in conflict does not match the energy of the other person’s anger. It brings something different into the room. The soft answer does not capitulate — it redirects. That takes more strength, not less.

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PROVERBS 16:24

“Pleasant words are like a honeycomb, sweetness to the soul and health to the bones.”

Health to the bones. Words do not stay in the air. They go into people. Pleasant words — kind, encouraging, carefully chosen — do something inside the person who receives them. The wise use of language is one of the most significant forms of generosity available to any person.

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PROVERBS 25:11

“A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in settings of silver.”

Fitly spoken — the right word at the right time. Not the cleverest word, not the most complete word. The right one. Wisdom knows the difference between a true thing and a true thing that needs to be said right now. The word fitly spoken is rare, and therefore precious.

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ECCLESIASTES 5:2

“Do not be rash with your mouth, and let not your heart utter anything hastily before God. For God is in heaven, and you on earth; therefore let your words be few.”

Let your words be few. Before God especially, the person who understands the distance between heaven and earth uses their words carefully. Many religious words said quickly are worth less than a few words spoken from a place of real weight. Wisdom knows the difference.

Wisdom Over Wealth

Proverbs keeps returning to this comparison because the heart keeps needing the reminder.

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PROVERBS 16:16

“How much better to get wisdom than gold! And to get understanding is to be chosen rather than silver.”

Better to get wisdom than gold. Proverbs keeps returning to this comparison because the human heart keeps returning to the other side. Every generation must be persuaded again that wisdom is worth more than the currencies the world respects. The persuading never fully finishes this side of eternity.

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PROVERBS 3:15-16

“She is more precious than rubies, and all the things you may desire cannot compare with her. Length of days is in her right hand, in her left hand riches and honor.”

Length of days in her right hand. The deepest goods — a life that stretches and deepens, honour among people who matter, the substance of genuine prosperity — are held by wisdom. She does not withhold what the heart truly desires. She delivers it by a different road than the one most people are looking for.

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MATTHEW 6:33

“But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.”

Seek first. The wisdom of Jesus reorders the hierarchy of seeking. Not pursue wealth and also be righteous. Not balance spiritual things with practical things. First. The kingdom first. And the things you need are added — not as your primary pursuit, but as the consequence of the right one.

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LUKE 21:15

“For I will give you a mouth and wisdom which all your adversaries will not be able to contradict or resist.”

I will give you a mouth and wisdom. In the moment of opposition, Jesus promises a supernatural provision of wisdom and the right words. This is not an excuse for failing to prepare. It is a promise for the moments when preparation is not possible and the need is urgent.

CHRIST: THE WISDOM OF GOD

Christ: The Wisdom of God

The New Testament makes a stunning claim: wisdom is not a principle but a Person.

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1 CORINTHIANS 1:25

“Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.”

The foolishness of God. Paul is writing about the cross, which to the world looked like failure and defeat. God’s wisdom so exceeds human wisdom that His least apparent act still surpasses the greatest human reasoning. The wisdom of the cross is the reversal of every category the world uses.

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1 CORINTHIANS 1:30

“But of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God — and righteousness and sanctification and redemption.”

Became for us wisdom from God. Christ did not merely teach wisdom or model it. He became it. For you. The wisdom you need is not a curriculum to master. It is a Person to know. To be in Christ is to have access to wisdom at its source.

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1 CORINTHIANS 2:6-7

“However, we speak wisdom among those who are mature, yet not the wisdom of this age, nor of the rulers of this age, who are coming to nothing. But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, the hidden wisdom which God ordained before the ages for our glory.”

Hidden wisdom which God ordained before the ages for our glory. The wisdom of God runs beneath human history like a deep river, carrying something that the surface wisdom of each age cannot see. It was planned before the world began and it runs toward your glory.

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ROMANS 11:33

“Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and His ways past finding out!”

How unsearchable are His judgments. Part of wisdom is knowing what you cannot know. Paul breaks into doxology here because he has been tracing the ways of God and has run out of language. The wise person is never far from wonder. When understanding runs out, worship begins.

WISDOM CALLING OUT

Wisdom Calling Out

Wisdom is not rare or hidden. It is publicly available to anyone willing to stop and listen.

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PROVERBS 8:1-2

“Does not wisdom cry out, and understanding lift up her voice? She takes her stand on the top of the high hill, beside the way, where the paths meet.”

She stands in the open. Proverbs personifies wisdom as a woman calling out from the highest visible place, at the crossroads, where everyone passes. Wisdom is not hiding. She is publicly available, constantly calling. The person who misses wisdom does not miss it because it was absent. It was there, calling.

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PROVERBS 8:22-23

“The Lord possessed me at the beginning of His work, the first of His acts of old. Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth.”

Before the beginning of the earth. Wisdom is ancient. Older than creation. The wisdom you seek when making a hard decision is not something invented for your situation. It is something that existed before the world was made, held by the God who made it.

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PROVERBS 8:34-35

“Blessed is the man who listens to me, watching daily at my gates, waiting at the posts of my doors. For whoever finds me finds life, and obtains favor from the Lord.”

Watching daily at my gates, waiting at the posts of my doors. Wisdom is found by the one who shows up consistently — daily, at the gate, before the day begins. Not the one who remembers to seek it in a crisis. The one who has made it a practice.

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PROVERBS 24:3-4

“Through wisdom a house is built, and by understanding it is established; by knowledge the rooms are filled with all precious and pleasant riches.”

Through wisdom a house is built. The house is any significant thing you are constructing — a family, a business, a ministry, a life. The materials matter less than the wisdom with which they are assembled. Knowledge fills the rooms, but wisdom is what holds the walls up.

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PROVERBS 14:1

“The wise woman builds her house, but the foolish pulls it down with her hands.”

Pulls it down with her hands. Foolishness is not passive neglect. It is actively destructive. The person who lacks wisdom does not simply fail to build. They undo what was there. Wisdom preserves and constructs. Folly demolishes, often without intending to.

WHAT WISDOM BUILDS

What Wisdom Builds

Wisdom is not defensive knowledge. It builds something.

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ECCLESIASTES 7:12

“For wisdom is a defense as money is a defense, but the excellence of knowledge is that wisdom gives life to those who have it.”

Wisdom gives life. Money protects against some threats. Wisdom protects against a different and deeper range — the decisions that ruin a life, the relationships that poison, the shortcuts that cost more than they save. And beyond protection, wisdom gives life. It does not just prevent the bad. It produces the good.

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PROVERBS 21:22

“A wise man scales the city of the mighty and brings down the trusted stronghold.”

Scales the city of the mighty. Wisdom overcomes obstacles that brute force cannot. The person with wisdom finds the way through what appears impenetrable — not because they are more powerful but because they see differently. Wisdom changes what is possible.

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ECCLESIASTES 9:16

“Then I said: ‘Wisdom is better than strength. Nevertheless the poor man’s wisdom is despised, and his words are not heard.’”

Wisdom is better than strength — but the world does not always receive it that way. Solomon includes the frustration honestly: wisdom may not be recognised, may not be rewarded, may not even be heard. This is not a reason to abandon it. It is a warning that wisdom operates on a longer timescale than the world’s applause.

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PROVERBS 27:17

“As iron sharpens iron, so a man sharpens the countenance of his friend.”

Iron sharpens iron — and that requires friction. The relationships that produce wisdom are not only comfortable ones. The friend who tells you what you need to hear, the mentor who pushes back, the colleague who challenges your assumptions — these are the relationships through which wisdom is forged.

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PROVERBS 15:22

“Without counsel, plans go wrong, but in the multitude of counselors they are established.”

In the multitude of counselors. Wisdom does not come from isolation. The plan that has been examined from multiple perspectives, questioned, pressure-tested by different minds — that plan is established. Wisdom takes the time to consult before it moves.

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PROVERBS 20:18

“Plans are established by counsel; by wise guidance wage war.”

By wise guidance wage war. The most consequential decisions in life require the most careful preparation and counsel. The person who enters the hardest situations without good guidance is not brave. They are unprepared. Wisdom gathers counsel before it acts.

THE WORD THAT MAKES WISE

The Word That Makes Wise

Scripture is not merely information. It is a wisdom-producing encounter with the mind of God.

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PSALM 119:98-100

“You, through Your commandments, make me wiser than my enemies; for they are ever with me. I have more understanding than all my teachers, for Your testimonies are my meditation. I understand more than the ancients, because I keep Your precepts.”

Wiser than my enemies, more understanding than my teachers, more than the ancients. These claims are not arrogance. They are the psalmist’s testimony to what the Word of God does in the person who meditates on it. Scripture produces wisdom that exceeds what any human institution alone can provide.

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2 TIMOTHY 3:15

“And that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.”

Able to make you wise for salvation. The Scriptures have a specific wisdom they are uniquely equipped to produce: the wisdom that leads to the knowledge of Christ and the salvation found in Him. Every other kind of wisdom is downstream from this one.

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ROMANS 15:4

“For whatever things were written before were written for our learning, that we through the patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope.”

Through the patience and comfort of the Scriptures. The Scripture produces not just information but patience — the long view, the settled spirit that does not panic when things are hard. Wisdom is often the ability to wait with hope for what has not yet arrived.

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PSALM 1:1-2

“Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stands in the path of sinners, nor sits in the seat of the scornful; but his delight is in the law of the Lord, and in His law he meditates day and night.”

Meditates day and night. The blessed, wise person does not read the Scripture occasionally. They dwell in it, turn it over, return to it at different hours, from different needs. The meditation is not passive. It is an active, repeated engagement with the Word until it has shaped how you see everything else.

WISDOM PASSED DOWN

Wisdom Passed Down

One generation's wisdom is the next generation's inheritance. Receive it.

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PROVERBS 1:8-9

“My son, hear the instruction of your father, and do not forsake the law of your mother; for they will be a graceful ornament on your head, and chains about your neck.”

Hear the instruction of your father. Wisdom is partly inherited. The generation before you carried wisdom they paid a price to acquire. To despise what they learned, to start from zero in every generation, is to pay the same price over and over. Wisdom honours what was learned before it.

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DEUTERONOMY 4:6

“Therefore be careful to observe them; for this is your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples who will hear all these statutes, and say, ‘Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.’”

Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people. The life of God’s people, lived according to His wisdom, becomes a witness to the nations around them. The wisdom of Scripture is not private. Lived publicly, it is a testimony to the character of the God who gave it.

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PROVERBS 22:6

“Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it.”

Train up. The investment of wisdom in the next generation is not accidental. It is deliberate, early, directional. The wisdom parents give their children is not primarily taught in lectures. It is demonstrated in the way the home is run, the way decisions are made, the way difficulty is faced.

WISDOM IN EVERYDAY LIFE

Wisdom in Everyday Life

Wisdom is not an abstract quality. It shows up in ordinary choices, daily rhythms, and the use of time.

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EPHESIANS 5:15-16

“See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil.”

Redeeming the time. Wisdom is partly an awareness of time — that it is limited, that it passes, that what you do with today matters. The wise person does not assume there is always more time. They live with a consciousness of what each season is for and use it accordingly.

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COLOSSIANS 4:5

“Walk in wisdom toward those who are outside, redeeming the time.”

Toward those who are outside. Wisdom has a missional dimension. How you carry yourself in the world, how you treat those who do not share your faith, the care with which you navigate difficult conversations — these are acts of wisdom with witness attached.

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PROVERBS 3:7

“Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord and depart from evil.”

Do not be wise in your own eyes. Self-assessed wisdom is not wisdom. The person who considers themselves wise is often the one most in need of instruction. True wisdom knows how much it does not know, and remains open to learning from unexpected sources.

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PROVERBS 26:12

“Do you see a man wise in his own eyes? There is more hope for a fool than for him.”

More hope for a fool. The fool at least knows they lack something. The person who is wise in their own eyes has closed the door to learning. This is the hardest condition to reach, not because wisdom is unavailable but because the person has decided they no longer need it.

THE WISDOM OF SOLOMON

The Wisdom of Solomon

The most extensive portrait of human wisdom in Scripture — and its limits.

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1 KINGS 4:29-30

“And God gave Solomon wisdom and exceedingly great understanding, and largeness of heart like the sand on the seashore. Thus Solomon’s wisdom excelled the wisdom of all the men of the East and all the wisdom of Egypt.”

Largeness of heart. The wisdom God gave Solomon had a quality that pure intelligence does not always have: largeness of heart. The capacity to hold multiple people’s realities, to see widely and generously, to make room for what is complex. The wisest people are not merely clever. They are spacious.

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1 KINGS 3:9

“Therefore give to Your servant an understanding heart to judge Your people, that I may discern between good and evil. For who is able to judge this great people of Yours?”

An understanding heart. Solomon asks not for intelligence but for a heart that understands — a heart that perceives, that discerns, that sees people rightly. The request is relational and moral before it is intellectual. God’s response is to give him exactly this, and then some.

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ECCLESIASTES 12:13

“Fear God and keep His commandments, for this is man’s all.”

This is man’s all. After the entire book of Ecclesiastes — after observing everything under the sun, testing every pleasure, exploring every form of human achievement — Solomon lands here. Not on a discovery or a life philosophy. On two things: fear God, keep His commandments. Everything else is commentary.

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PROVERBS 23:23

“Buy the truth, and do not sell it, also wisdom and instruction and understanding.”

Buy it — pay for it with time, with humility, with the willingness to be corrected. Do not sell it — do not trade away what you have learned for the easier path, the approval of the crowd, the comfort of not standing out. Wisdom must be purchased and must be kept.

THE WISDOM OF OBEDIENCE

The Wisdom of Obedience

Jesus defines a wise person in one sentence: hears and does.

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MATTHEW 7:24

“Therefore whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and does them, I will liken him to a wise man who built his house on the rock.”

Hears and does. Jesus defines wisdom concretely: the wise person is not the one who understands His words best. It is the one who does them. Wisdom is not a theory. It is applied knowledge — the gap between hearing and doing is where wisdom is either gained or lost.

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MATTHEW 7:26

“But everyone who hears these sayings of Mine, and does not do them, will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand.”

Built his house on the sand. The fool’s problem is not ignorance. They heard the words. They simply did not do them. The gap between knowing and doing is the gap between wisdom and foolishness. Knowledge alone does not build the house. It requires the action of the one who heard.

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LUKE 2:52

“And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men.”

Jesus increased in wisdom. The Son of God, fully divine, grew in wisdom. This does not mean wisdom was added to a deficiency. It means that wisdom has a human dimension that unfolds in time, through life, through obedience. If Jesus grew in wisdom, then the pursuit of wisdom is not something you graduate from. It is the work of a lifetime.

Sixty-five witnesses — kings who asked God for wisdom instead of wealth, apostles who traced wisdom to the cross, a Son who grew in it across thirty years of ordinary life — all pointing to the same conclusion:

Wisdom begins with God, is given by God, leads back to God, and is finally found in Christ — in whom are hidden all its treasures.

The invitation is simple: ask. He gives to all liberally and without reproach.

A CLOSING PRAYER

*Lord, I want to be wise.
Not clever. Not impressive. Wise.
Teach me to begin where wisdom begins —
with reverence for You and who You are.
Give me a listening heart,
a teachable spirit,
and the courage to do what I already know.
You said to ask. I am asking.
Give me wisdom.*

Amen.

* The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom *