

PROVERBS

A Review of Wisdom for Everyday Life

October 2025 – August 2026

*“The fear of the Lord is the beginning of
knowledge.”*
— Proverbs 1:7



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What Proverbs Gives Us



Wisdom

Skill for living God's way

Instruction

Correction that shapes us

Understanding

Seeing clearly

Wise Dealings

Acting with wisdom

Knowledge

Learning what is true

Discretion

Choosing carefully

TAKEAWAY Wisdom begins with our relationship with the Lord.

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If We Seek Wisdom—Then We Find It



IF we pursue

Receive, treasure, listen, call out, seek, and search.

THEN we understand

The fear of the Lord and the knowledge of God.

THEN we walk

In righteousness, justice, equity, and the way of the good.

TAKEAWAY Wisdom is not accidental—it is intentionally pursued.

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Ten Don'ts for Wise Living

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Don't forget

Don't let love leave

Don't lean on yourself

Don't be wise in your eyes

Don't hoard

Don't despise correction

Don't be afraid

Don't withhold good

Don't plot evil

Don't envy wickedness

TAKEAWAY Trust the Lord instead of trusting yourself.

The Map for the Right Path



Think carefully

Consider your choices.

Stay focused

Keep your eyes forward.

Listen up

Incline your ear to truth.

Guard your heart

Protect the source of life.

Avoid evil

Turn away from wrong paths.

Don't swerve

Walk straight ahead.

TAKEAWAY God's wisdom keeps us moving in the right direction.

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God Has a Better Plan



Avoid temptation

Do not wander toward destructive choices.

Remain faithful

Protect your commitments and relationships.

Keep your focus

Choose God's better plan for your life.

TAKEAWAY Wisdom protects our commitments and relationships.

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Debt, Ants, and Hate

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Debt

Don't assume the debts of others.

Ants

Learn diligence; do not be lazy.

Hate

Reject pride, lies, violence, evil plans, false witness, and discord.

TAKEAWAY Be responsible, diligent, truthful, and peaceful.

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Store Up God's Commands



Keep

Hold God's words close.

Recognize

See temptation for what it is.

Avoid

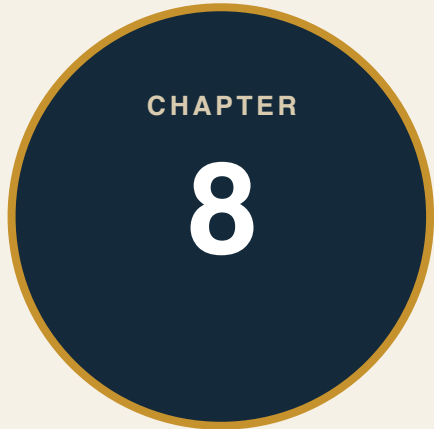
Do not step onto the path toward sin.

Prepare

Let wisdom guide decisions before temptation arrives.

TAKEAWAY God's commands prepare us before temptation arrives.

Wisdom Calls to Everyone



Wisdom is public

It is not hidden; it calls out.

Wisdom offers

Truth, righteousness, and life.

Wisdom is valuable

More precious than worldly treasure.

Wisdom requires a choice

Receiving brings favor; rejection brings harm.

TAKEAWAY Wisdom is available—but we must choose to listen.

Where Wisdom Begins



Two invitations

Wisdom and foolishness
both call.

One decision

We decide which voice to
follow.

True foundation

Reverence for God begins
wisdom.

TAKEAWAY Biblical wisdom begins with knowing and honoring God.

It's All Good



A good son

Wise and diligent.

A good reward

Righteousness exceeds silver or gold.

A good mouth

Knows when to speak—and when to stop.

A good life

Built upon Jesus Christ, our stronghold.

TAKEAWAY Wisdom shapes our character, work, speech, and foundation.

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Five Resolutions



Be honest

Be humble

Be generous

Be kind

Be bold

TAKEAWAY These are not yearly promises—they are everyday commitments.

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Three Practical Instructions



Accept correction

Don't be "stoopid."

Control your speech

Don't have loose lips.

Trust God

Don't be anxious.

TAKEAWAY Wisdom changes how we receive correction, speak, and respond to worry.

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Life, Liberty, and Light



Life

Wise teaching is a fountain of life.

Liberty

Righteousness guards the blameless.

Light

The godly life is filled with light and joy.

TAKEAWAY God's wisdom leads us away from destruction and into life.

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Wisdom or Foolishness?



The simple

Believe everything.

The prudent

Give thought to their steps.

The simple

Inherit folly.

The prudent

Are crowned with knowledge.

The patient

Have great understanding.

The hasty

Exalt folly.

TAKEAWAY Our choices show whether we are walking wisely or foolishly.

Lips, Eyes, Ears, and Smiles



Lips

Speak wisely.

Eyes

Remember God sees everything.

Ears

Listen to correction.

Smiles

A joyful heart affects others.

TAKEAWAY Wisdom influences what we say, see, hear, and display.

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Pride, Purpose, and Plans



Pride

Pride leads toward
destruction.

Purpose

God gives our lives
direction.

Plans

Commit your plans to the
Lord.

TAKEAWAY We make plans, but the Lord directs our steps.

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Peace, Pressure, and Positivity



Peace

Better than possessions
accompanied by strife.

Pressure

Difficulty reveals what is
inside us.

Positivity

A joyful heart is good
medicine.

TAKEAWAY Wisdom helps us respond properly to conflict and pressure.

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The Power of Words—and His Name



Use words wisely

Words can bring life or destruction.

Run to God

Turn to Him during struggles.

A strong tower

The name of the Lord is safety.

TAKEAWAY Guard your words and rely on the protection of Jesus.

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Family, Finances, and Fear of the Lord



Family

Practice patience and wisdom at home.

Finances

Integrity exceeds dishonest gain.

Fear of the Lord

Reverence for God leads to life and security.

TAKEAWAY Wisdom belongs in everyday family and financial decisions.

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Alcohol, Authenticity, and Ancestry



Alcohol

Do not allow it to control or deceive.

Authenticity

Walk with integrity.

Ancestry

Our character affects those who come after us.

TAKEAWAY Wise choices leave a lasting legacy.

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God's Sovereignty or Self-Reliance?

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Self-reliance

Pride, dishonesty, injustice, greed, pleasure-seeking, false worship.

God's sovereignty

God weighs the heart, determines outcomes, and values righteousness and justice.

TAKEAWAY A way may seem right to us, but the Lord examines the heart.

God Created Moms to Be Super



Super strength

Super stateliness

A super smile

Super speech

Super sight

Super service

TAKEAWAY God gives mothers gifts that bless their families and others.

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The Best



The best character

The best reward

The best children

The best giver

The best advice

TAKEAWAY Don't settle for subpar living—pursue what God says is best.

Five Steps Toward Self-Discipline



1 Establish the “Why”

Know your purpose.

2 Enlist the Source

Depend on the Holy Spirit.

3 Exert Energy

Put wisdom into practice.

4 Extinguish Obstacles

Remove what hinders growth.

5 Embrace the Pace

Keep walking faithfully.

TAKEAWAY Spiritual self-discipline grows through the Holy Spirit and continued effort.

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Plan It, Build It, and Don't Fret



Plan it

Use wisdom before acting.

Build it

Establish life through understanding.

Don't fret

Do not envy apparent success of evildoers.

TAKEAWAY Prepare carefully, work faithfully, and trust God with the outcome.

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Be Ye...



Humble

Do not exalt yourself.

Well-spoken

Use fitting words.

Discerning

Know when and how to act.

Kind

Treat others with grace.

TAKEAWAY Wisdom is seen in humility, speech, judgment, and kindness.

JUNE 28

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What Is a Fool Like?

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Snow in summer

Honor does not fit a fool.

Useless legs

A proverb is useless in a fool's mouth.

A dog returning

A fool repeats the same folly.

Throwing firebrands

Deception is not excused by "I was only joking."

TAKEAWAY Foolishness is repetitive, destructive, and dangerous to others.

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Five “ING” Words



Boasting

Don't boast about tomorrow.

Praising

Let someone else praise you.

Blessing

Consider how and when you speak.

Sharpening

Iron sharpens iron.

Knowing

Know what God has entrusted to you.

TAKEAWAY Wisdom requires humility, accountability, and awareness.

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Seven Principles of Leadership



Stability from consistency

Ignoring truth means being ignored

Seeking God leads to serving people

Deception causes distortion

Wickedness leads to hiding

Wicked leaders are cruel

Fear of God leads to happiness

TAKEAWAY Godly leadership begins with truth, integrity, service, and reverence.

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Fear of Man or Trust in God?



The chapter

Parenting, pride, fools and the wise, controlling the tongue.

The snare

Fear of people traps us.

The safety

Whoever trusts in the Lord is safe.

TAKEAWAY Fear traps us; trusting the Lord gives security.

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The Answer Is God



God's Word

Every word is true; do not add or subtract.

God our refuge

He is our shield.

Personal integrity

Honor God in poverty and blessing.

Wise restraint

Avoid strife and know when to cover your mouth.

TAKEAWAY Trust God's Word, live with integrity, and control your speech.

WHAT DID YOU TAKE AWAY?

- Which chapter affected you most?
- What instruction have you applied?
- Where do you still need wisdom?
- What foolish pattern needs to be left behind?
- What will you do differently?

THE ANSWER IS GOD.

