

THE PURSUIT OF WISDOM

Proverbs 1.1-33 // July 6, 2025

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PROVERB: neither a command nor promises, it's a short verse that conveys a wealth of truth. But they are often partial, meaning they must be taken alongside other proverbs and Scriptures to form a whole. Proverbs are meant to help us think hard and meditate deeply about reality from a biblical perspective.

WISDOM: Wisdom is not just simply about being moral. Wisdom is about giving us the ability to make right choices when there does not seem to be a clear moral law that explicitly tells us how to make a choice, or when there seems to be more than one choice that could be morally upright.

**Though our decisions may not be immoral,
when we lack wisdom they can bring about disaster.**

INSTRUCTION: the Hebrew word *musar*, which is a word that means "training with strong accountability."

INSIGHT: Tim Keller explains this word as meaning "the ability to notice distinctions and shades of difference where others see only a blur."

PRUDENCE and DISCRETION: these two words describe the ability to live strategically; to not just see what is a good wise direction, but the ability to take steps to get there. Some people have wise insights, but lack the tact or discretion to know how to apply the wisdom.

FINDING TRUE WISDOM

Wisdom is much more difficult than black and white answers. Wisdom comes from actually getting to know the broad counsel of Scripture. Gaining wisdom comes not from knowing all the rules, but by getting to know God as He has revealed Himself in His Word and through His Son.

**Wisdom is not just a thing to possess;
wisdom, the true Wisdom of God, is Christ Himself.**

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Proverbs 2.1-15 // Luke 10.2, 3

We need wisdom not just for our sake, but also for the sake of the world. We are to be a city on a hill, salt and light and wisdom to a lost and dark world. God sent His own Son, who is His Wisdom, into this world not just simply to show off His Wisdom, but in order to draw sinners to Himself and save them.

Just as Wisdom cried aloud in the noisy street to draw us to Jesus, now we, possessing the Wisdom of God, must cry aloud in this noisy world.

NOTES:

Announcements:

Community Meal: Join us at Grape Day Park today after service for a Bring Your Own Lunch picnic. See you there!

Summer Doctrine & Theology Class: Join us for Chapter 4 "The Creator and Creation" this Wednesday, from 6:30-8:30, here at the school.

This Week's Call to Worship Psalm:

Psalm 139.1-8, 23, 24

This Week's Scripture to Memorize:

Matthew 4.4

But he answered, "It is written, "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."

COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Our Community Groups are on break for summer!
But while they are, make sure you stay connected.

Wednesday Night Doctrine and Theology Class

at CAHS from 6.30-8.30pm

June 11: Intro to Theology and the Trinity
June 18: The Word of God
June 25 and Jul2: OFF
July 9: The Creator and Creation
July 16: Satan, Sin, and the Curse
July 23: Covenant
July 30: Jesus Christ
August 6: the Cross
August 13: Salvation
August 20: the Holy Spirit
August 27: the Church
September 3: Eschatology
September 10: the New Heavens and the New Earth

Monday Night High School Doctrine and Theology "Fight Club"

at the McGinty Home at 5.30pm

Same material but more conversational and discussion focused. High School age students who want to study into deeper topics together. We will likely go at a slower pace than the Wednesday nights so the end date going into Fall is TBD.

THE LORD'S P.R.A.Y.er MODEL

- **Preaching the Gospel to Yourself (Matthew 6.9, 10)**
- **Repent and Confess (Matthew 6.12)**
- **Ask for Provision (Matthew 6.11-13)**
- **Yield with Thanksgiving (Matthew 6.10)**

Father, be glorified in _____, let Your Kingdom
and will be done, in and through _____ as it is in Heaven.

Give _____ daily bread, and thank You for Your forgiveness.
Help _____ to forgive _____,
because You are the One who has forgiven us.

Keep _____ eyes fixed on You and Your Word and promises
so that _____ may not sin against You.
Thank You for and help me trust Your sovereign love.



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