Kingdom-Minded
The Way of Wisdom
Sunday, May 18, 2025

Proverbs 3:1-15 NIV

My son, do not forget my teaching, but keep my commands in your heart,
[2] for they will prolong your life many years
and bring you peace and prosperity.
[3] Let love and faithfulness never leave you; bind them around your neck,
write them on the tablet of your heart. [4] Then you will win favor and a
good name in the sight of God and man.
[5] Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own
understanding; [6] in all your ways submit to him,
and he will make your paths straight. [7] Do not be wise in your own eyes;
fear the LORD and shun evil. [8] This will bring health to your body
and nourishment to your bones.
[9] Honor the LORD with your wealth, with the first fruits of all your crops;
[10] then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim
over with new wine.
[11] My son, do not despise the LORD's discipline, and do not resent his
rebuke, [12] because the LORD disciplines those he loves, as a father the son
he delights in. [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.

1. **Seek Wisdom Above All Things.**

2. **Trust in the Lord.**

3. **Humble Yourself Before the Lord.**

4. **Honor the Lord.**

Conclusion: To be Kingdom-minded, we must earnestly desire and apply the wisdom of the Lord. Seeking wisdom is where we begin. Trusting will keep us on the wise path. Humility keeps us teachable. Honoring demonstrates our understanding of God and His Majesty.
Cherish wisdom.

LIFE GROUP LESSON

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Week of May 18, 2025- May 24, 2025

Ice Breaker: What is your favorite bit of wisdom you learned and apply?

Read Proverbs 3:1-15.

1. What are we told is of great importance? (v.1)
2. What must we do to know and remember His teaching?
3. Where are we to keep God's commands? Why? (v.1)
4. What is the outcome as we remember His commands? (v.2)
5. What is never to leave us? Where are we to write them? (v.3) Why?
6. What is the outcome if we lead with love and faithfulness? (v.4)
7. What is the significance of having a "good name"? Has following God helped you and your family have a good name? How so?
8. Who are we to trust in? To what level? (v.5)
9. In what situations have you not trusted the Lord? Why?
10. What do you think is lacking when you don't trust in the Lord?
11. What are we to submit to Him? (v.6) Why might we resist? (v.7)
12. What is the outcome when we trust and submit our ways to God? (v.8) What does this mean?
13. Read Jeremiah 17:7-8. What is the blessing for those who trust in the Lord?
14. How do we build greater trust in the Lord?
15. Read Isaiah 26:3. What is the promise? What does peace from God have to do with increased wisdom from God?
16. What is one way we honor the Lord? (v.9) What is required first for us to do this? (vs.5-6)
17. What is the outcome as we honor God with our wealth? (v.10)
18. Read Malachi 3:10? Have you tested the Lord to prove Him true?
19. Why is teaching about tithing included with wisdom? How does our giving to God correlate with gaining wisdom above all?
20. What are we not to despise? (vs.11-12) Why? How does this relate to growing in wisdom?
21. Why is wisdom to be greatly cherished? (vs.13-14)
22. Read Proverbs 4:7-8. What is the principal thing in life to seek after? It is for you?
23. How does understanding this Proverb set us up to become Kingdom-minded? Why is living Kingdom-minded important?

Point to ponder: God cannot lead where you will not follow. Pursue the wisdom of the Lord with all your heart and trust where He leads you will be great beyond what you can hope for.