

**GOD'S WISDOM FOR LIFE, PART 4:  
"THE BENEFITS OF WISDOM"  
PROVERBS 2:1-22**

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*God gives His wisdom to those who seek Him &  
treasure His commandments.*

- <sup>1</sup> My son, if you receive my words  
and treasure up my commandments with you,  
<sup>2</sup> making your ear attentive to wisdom  
and inclining your heart to understanding;  
<sup>3</sup> yes, if you call out for insight  
and raise your voice for understanding,  
<sup>4</sup> if you seek it like silver  
and search for it as for hidden treasures,  
<sup>5</sup> then you will understand the fear of the Lord  
and find the knowledge of God.
- <sup>6</sup> For the Lord gives wisdom;  
from his mouth come knowledge and understanding;  
<sup>7</sup> he stores up sound wisdom for the upright;  
he is a shield to those who walk in integrity,  
<sup>8</sup> guarding the paths of justice  
and watching over the way of his saints.
- <sup>9</sup> Then you will understand righteousness and justice  
and equity, every good path;  
<sup>10</sup> for wisdom will come into your heart,  
and knowledge will be pleasant to your soul;  
<sup>11</sup> discretion will watch over you,  
understanding will guard you,  
<sup>12</sup> delivering you from the way of evil,  
from men of perverted speech,

- <sup>13</sup> who forsake the paths of uprightness  
to walk in the ways of darkness,  
<sup>14</sup> who rejoice in doing evil  
and delight in the perverseness of evil,  
<sup>15</sup> men whose paths are crooked,  
and who are devious in their ways.
- <sup>16</sup> So you will be delivered from the forbidden woman,  
from the adulteress with her smooth words,  
<sup>17</sup> who forsakes the companion of her youth  
and forgets the covenant of her God;  
<sup>18</sup> for her house sinks down to death,  
and her paths to the departed;  
<sup>19</sup> none who go to her come back,  
nor do they regain the paths of life.
- <sup>20</sup> So you will walk in the way of the good  
and keep to the paths of the righteous.  
<sup>21</sup> For the upright will inhabit the land,  
and those with integrity will remain in it,  
<sup>22</sup> but the wicked will be cut off from the land,  
and the treacherous will be rooted out of it.

**Overview**

The benefits of receiving God's wisdom: We'll receive...

**I. Knowledge of God (vv. 1-6)**

"What makes life worthwhile is having a big enough objective, something which catches our imagination and lays hold of our allegiance, and this the Christian has in a way that no other person has. For what higher, more exalted, and more compelling goal can there be than to know God?" – J. I. Packer

**II. Protection from evil (vv. 7-19)**

**III. Promise of inheritance (vv. 20-22)**