

The Lord By Wisdom Founded the Earth**Proverbs 3**

1. GLAD CONFIDENCE IN THE CHURCH'S MISSION: Israel was called to live as a "_____ people", living according to the law of God as a witness before the nations, showing a way of life that was clearly and observably _____.

Keep them and do them, for that will be your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.' (Deuteronomy 4:6)

2. OVERVIEW OF PROVERBS 3

a. Verses 1-12: The son is exhorted to _____ wisdom, motivated by the _____ of the _____, and confident in the LORD's blessing upon this way of life.

⁷ Be not wise in your own eyes;
fear the LORD, and turn away from evil.
⁸ It will be healing to your flesh
and refreshment to your bones.

b. Verses 13-20: Wisdom is commended as the way of _____ (*shalom*), and as the means by which God _____ the _____.

c. Verses 21-35: The wise life is a life that is protected by God, and a life of _____ for our _____.

3. SEEKING WISDOM

a. Wisdom was present at _____, is reflected in the created _____, and continues to be the way in which God _____ and upholds creation.

¹⁹ The LORD by wisdom founded the earth;
by understanding he established the heavens;
²⁰ by his knowledge the deeps broke open,
and the clouds drop down the dew.

b. Not only must we work to _____ wisdom, but we must also work to _____ wisdom.

²¹ My son, do not lose sight of these—
keep sound wisdom and discretion,
²² and they will be life for your soul
and adornment for your neck.

c. The wisdom of Proverbs calls us to look to _____, the Word and Wisdom of God made _____.

Summing it all up: _____