



Faith and Love C.O.G.I.C  
Bible Band

Lesson 9 July 29, 2025  
WALKING IN WISDOM

## Background Reading:

- ❖ Job 12:13
- ❖ Proverbs 1:7; 3:13; 13:10; 28:26
- ❖ Ecclesiastes 8:1
- ❖ 1 Corinthians 2:2-9; 3:19; 12:8

## Devotional Reading:

- ❖ 2 John 1:5-10

## Background Reading

**Job 12:13** With him is wisdom and strength, he hath counsel and understanding.

**Proverbs 1:7** The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction.

**Proverbs 3:13** Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth understanding.

**Proverbs 13:10** Only by pride cometh contention: but with the well advised is wisdom.

**Proverbs 28:26** He that trusteth in his own heart is a fool: but whoso walketh wisely, he shall be delivered.

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**Ecclesiastes 8:1** Who is as the wise man? and who knoweth the interpretation of a thing? a man's wisdom maketh his face to shine, and the boldness of his face shall be changed.

**1 Corinthians 2:2-9**

**2** For I determined not to know any thing among you, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified.

**3** And I was with you in weakness, and in fear, and in much trembling.

**4** And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power:

**5** That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God.

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### 1 Corinthians 2:2-9

**6** Howbeit we speak wisdom among them that are perfect: yet not the wisdom of this world, nor of the princes of this world, that come to nought:

**7** But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory:

**8** Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.

**9** But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.

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**1 Corinthians 3:19** For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it is written, He taketh the wise in their own craftiness.

**1 Corinthians 12:8** For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit;

## Devotional Reading

### 2 John 1:5-10

**5** And now I beseech thee, lady, not as though I wrote a new commandment unto thee, but that which we had from the beginning, that we love one another.

**6** And this is love, that we walk after his commandments. This is the commandment, That, as ye have heard from the beginning, ye should walk in it.

**7** For many deceivers are entered into the world, who confess not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an antichrist.

## Devotional Reading

### 2 John 1:5-10

**8** Look to yourselves, that we lose not those things which we have wrought, but that we receive a full reward.

**9** Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son.

**10** If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed:



**Central Verse**  
**Colossians 4:5**

“Walk in wisdom toward them that are without redeeming the time.”

# **INTRODUCTION**

Wisdom is the quality of having experience, knowledge, and good judgment, the quality of being wise. It is the use of one's knowledge and experience to make good judgments. It is the interpreting and understanding of knowledge that leads to greater insight and common sense.

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The Word of the Lord says "Wisdom is the principle thing: therefore get wisdom: And with all thy getting get understanding" (Proverbs 4:7). So, to walk in wisdom, the believer must make sure that he includes God and His infinite wisdom in his life, whether he is a leader or a follower. Without wisdom, every believer (leader or follower) is susceptible to isolation, discouragement, insecurity, and burnout. But that does not have to happen; for the Word of the Lord has a plan for pastors, ministers, evangelists, missionaries, and church leaders on every level who want to walk in wisdom and reflect Christ's character in their leadership. Every leader can receive God's wisdom for the unique leadership challenges they must face.

# **INTRODUCTION**

As a leader, the believer must be able to provide wise counsel to the emerging leaders around him who crave wisdom. When he becomes wise while leading others, he can expand his influence and change lives by learning how to give wise counsel. God gives by His Spirit the Word of Wisdom to the believer so that the manifestation of the Spirit can give profit to that believer to help the body. The believer does not stand alone. He is a part of the Body of Christ.

## **DISCUSSION**

God's wisdom is available to the believer. The word of the Lord tells the believer that if he has no wisdom or lacks wisdom, he should ask God for it. To make himself available to gain wisdom, go to the book of wisdom, the Book of Proverbs in the Bible. The need for wisdom is the one common denominator that every individual has. Wisdom is needed to make the big decisions and the day-to-day decisions in life.

## **DISCUSSION**

The believer always has wisdom available to him. God's word is the greatest source of wisdom that a man can find anywhere he searches. The word of the Lord tells the believer that "the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God" (1 Corinthians 3:19). Having wisdom should be every believer's goal; for it is not just talking about intelligence or having above-average knowledge, but it is God's mindset that helps the believer consider and decide his path so that it can be aligned with God's will. Receiving wisdom will help the believer to grow in grace and in the knowledge of his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

## **DISCUSSION**

But the believer cannot just go to any book and gain wisdom; he must be led by the Spirit of God. There are many educated people in the world around the churches, but all of them are not Spirit-filled and have no real understanding of the Word and the will of God. They will have a believer so confused that they will not be able to be victorious in anything they do.

## **DISCUSSION**

The early Church had church mothers who would tell the Saints they couldn't eat at everybody's table and be whole. They stressed that you had to be careful about going to unauthorized Bible studies because, again, the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. "There is a way that seemeth right unto man, but the end thereof are the ways of death" (Proverbs 14:12).



## **DISCUSSION**

So, to walk in wisdom, the believer must take heed that he doesn't get caught up with man's philosophies and strange doctrines that will cause him to be led astray. It is important that believers know what they believe, learn, and know their Statement of Faith.

## **DISCUSSION**

James told the believers that "the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits" (James 3:17). He said that if a man has "bitter envying and strife in their heart, glory not and lie not against the truth. This wisdom did not come from up above, but it is earthly, sensual, and devilish. Where there is envying and strife, there is confusion, and every evil work" (James 3:14-16). And where there is evil work, know that the devil promotes it. Because the devil comes to steal, kill, and destroy.

## **DISCUSSION**

Jesus Christ will help the believer walk in wisdom when he sees the importance of prioritizing wisdom and learns to experience wisdom in every situation daily. This causes the believer to walk in divine wisdom and good success as he pursues God's wisdom and becomes fulfilled in Jesus.

"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom" (Proverbs 9:10). It is vital to the well-being of the believer to build upon the principles and the precepts of God's Word as he walks in wisdom. The reverent and worshipful fear of the Lord is the chief and choice part of wisdom. So, the heart fears that the believer has and the honor that he has for God come together in a united front as he walks in wisdom.

## **CONCLUSION**

As the believers read the book of Proverbs, they should become wisdom-challenged to unlock the secrets to a sustained approach of acquiring wisdom that profoundly changes them, as well as others. In his pursuit of walking in wisdom, the believer should put together a plan that is a simple, effective strategy for pursuing wisdom. Partnering in the pursuit and passing it along for impact. This should help develop a deep understanding and a deep hunger for the life-changing power of wisdom.

## **CONCLUSION**

Proverbs is the greatest book of wisdom that a person can find anywhere. Most of it was written by the wisest man recorded to have ever lived. God gave His servant King Solomon this wisdom to pass on to the generations after him. The book of Proverbs embodies wisdom that will make the believer's walk of wisdom more effective and productive in every place he walks. "The blessing of the Lord, it maketh rich, and He addeth no sorrow with it" (Proverbs 10:22).

# ESSENTIAL THOUGHT

**Don't embrace foolishness because if  
you do, you will walk in foolishness  
instead of wisdom.**

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# **NEXT LESSON**

**August 5, 2025**

**Lesson 10**

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