

# EXPLORING PROVERBS

June 14<sup>th</sup> to July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020

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## CLASS GOALS:



- To read the book of Proverbs with greater understanding of the poetic devices, primary sections, and consistent themes of the book.



- To equip ourselves with key verses for making wise choices that are grounded in the fear of the Lord.



- To see more clearly the great rewards of living with Godly wisdom.



- To raise our awareness of the foolish and tragic dangers of living a wicked life.



- To use the Proverbs to address and overcome personal struggles with Godly solutions.

## Class Schedule

Lesson	Day	Date	Topic	Text	Teacher
1	S	6/14/20	Intro: Fear of the Lord		Jake
2	W	6/17/20	The Results of Wisdom	Ch. 1-4	Jake
3	S	6/21/20	Instructions for Marriage	Ch. 5-7	Phillip
4	W	6/24/20	Invitations of Wisdom and Folly	Ch. 8-9	Phillip
5	S	6/28/20	Heart of the Wise	Ch. 10-22	Jake
6	W	7/1/20	Heart of the Fool	Ch. 10-22	Phillip
7	S	7/5/20	Wisdom & Our Work	Ch. 10-22	Jake
8	W	7/8/20	Wisdom & Our Wealth	Ch. 10-22	Phillip
9	S	7/12/20	Wisdom & Our Speech	Ch. 10-22	Jake
10	W	7/15/20	Wisdom & Our Relationships	Ch. 10-22	Phillip
11	S	7/19/20	Collections: Words of the Wise	Ch. 22-24	Jake
12	W	7/22/20	Collections: Hezekiah, Agur, & Lemuel	Ch. 25-31a	Phillip
13	S	7/26/20	The Woman of Wisdom	Ch. 31b	Jake

## Lesson 2 – Results of Wisdom (Ch. 1-4)

*“Blessed is the one who finds wisdom, and the one who gets understanding, for the gain from her is better than gain from silver and her profit better than gold. She is more precious than jewels, and nothing you desire can compare with her. Long life is in her right hand; in her left hand are riches and honor. Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace. She is a tree of life to those who lay hold of her; those who hold her fast are called blessed.” (3:13-18)*

### Textual/Factual Questions

1. What can be the value of a father’s and mother’s instruction to their child? (1:8-9)
2. Read 1:20-33. What is Wisdom offering to those who hear? (v. 23) What will happen to those who listen? What about those who refuse to listen?
3. Who does the Lord reprove? (3:11-12)
4. How and why do we need to guard our heart? (4:23)

### Thought Questions

5. Read 2:1-22. List all the different benefits of seeking wisdom described in this chapter and try to summarize the emphasis.
6. Chapter 3:5 is a familiar verse to many. What lessons can we take from the rest of the chapter about what it means to trust in the Lord?
7. Read 4:26-27. How does the metaphor of walking on a path help us to be upright and avoid evil?

### Application

- Proverbs places the value and preciousness of wisdom above all else. Do I place it above all else and seek after it as such? If not, re-commit to a pursuit of the Lord’s wisdom and the blessings therein.