



Times of Worship

- Sunday Bible Classes:** 9am
- Sunday AM Worship:** 10am
- Sunday PM Worship:** 5pm
- Wednesday Bible Study:** 7pm

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Interested in a Bible Study?

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Evangelist

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Better Than Gold

Prov. 16:16 - "How much better it is to get wisdom than gold! And to get understanding is to be chosen above silver"

Solomon is a very unique person to state this proverb as a fact. God told Solomon He would give him "a wise and discerning heart, so that there has been no one like you before you, nor shall one like you arise after you." (**1Ki 3:12**) God also blessed Solomon with more riches than he could have ever imagined (**1Ki 3:13**). He had more wisdom and more riches than anyone and he is telling us which is more valuable so we will prioritize wisdom in our life.

If you give a fool a lot of money, chances are pretty high he will waste it and be broke quickly. Think about the prodigal son in Jesus' story of the lost sons (**Luk 15**); he was given his inheritance early and he squandered it all until he was feeding the pigs and desiring their food. There are countless stories of athletes making millions of dollars end up filing bankruptcy not long after they retire from playing. They had a lot of money but did not have the wisdom to know what to do with it.

The person who strives to increase in wisdom and knowledge, will do far better in life. Unlike money, the wisdom and knowledge they gain will stay with

Week of June 23

Attendance

- ◆ **AM Service** - 69
- ◆ **PM Service** - 41
- ◆ **Wednesday** - 41

Contribution

- ◆ Weekly Budget \$2,400
- ◆ Contribution - \$2,295

Upcoming Birthdays & Anniversaries

- ◆ Tom Hadley (7/3)
- ◆ Katie Scott (7/5)
- ◆ *Ronnie and Amy Rushing* (7/8)
- ◆ Logan McCoy (7/13)
- ◆ Minnie Morman (7/15)
- ◆ *Harold and Julia Fesmire* (7/15)

Calendar Items

Men's Meeting at the building at 4pm on June 30

Women's Bible Study on Tuesdays at 11am at the building

Vacation Bible School July 7-10

Song Learning Class on July 14 at the building at 4pm

Teen Bible Study July 26

them. The more they learn, the more equipped they are to handle the difficulties life throws at them. The more we know, the better decisions we will make and the less mistakes we will have to suffer through.

The application to this proverb is pretty self explanatory - seek after wisdom. So how do we put this proverb into practice? The answer is making sure we prioritize growing in wisdom and knowledge every single day.

We are so blessed to live in a time where knowledge is so accessible to us. If we are not growing in wisdom and knowledge we have no one to blame except ourselves. So often we let the things of this world distract us from making time to read, listen to others, and quietly meditate. If we really believed this proverb, nothing would keep us from growing in our wisdom and knowledge.

The best place to seek wisdom is the wisdom that comes from above. James asks the question to his readers, "Who among you is wise and understanding? Let him show by his good behavior his deeds in the gentleness of wisdom" (Jam 3:13) He then goes on to compare the wisdom of this world to the wisdom that is from above in verses 14-18. May we daily go to God's word to grow in true wisdom; the wisdom from the One who created us and knows us better than we know ourselves.

Here are three things we can do every day to make sure we prioritize growing in wisdom:

1. Set aside a time every day to read God's word
2. Ask others a lot of questions to learn from their experience and the wisdom they have gained
3. Seek to listen more than doing the talking

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