

Proverbs 3:1-12
The Beginning of Wisdom
Message – God Leads, We Follow
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Wisdom on Understanding

v. 5-6

- There is a _____ to our understanding of what is going on around us.
- Our minds _____ comprehend exactly what he is doing.
- We have to take a _____ in God, trusting in what he has done and trusting in who he says he is.

Luke 23:40-43

- He knew his understanding was limited, but he relied on Jesus Christ to bring him the _____ of the way.

Wisdom with Money

v. 9-10

- When harvest time came, that meant _____ and _____.
- Once harvest time came, God _____ for the first and best crop.
- He gives people an opportunity to love him _____ over everything else. God does not get our _____. He gets our best.

1 Timothy 6:9-10

Matthew 19:21-24

- Wealth _____.
- If God blesses us _____, we are to _____ bless others.
- God's people _____ gave up control of their livelihood and put their whole dependence on him.

- When your paycheck hits your bank account, you have an opportunity to say _____ Lord over my own money.

Wisdom on the Lord's Discipline

v. 11-12

- The Lord's discipline has to be looked at now through the _____.
- The reality is that we _____ to be corrected. Left to our own accord, we _____.
- Discipline can look like a _____ from the Spirit.
- Discipline can look like a _____ word from a trusted person.
- Sometimes the Lord's discipline is temporarily leaving us to deal with the _____ of our own sin. (Psalm 81:11-12)
- What we can't do related to the Lord's discipline is think that every bad thing or hard season is _____ for previous wrongdoings.
- Sometimes, _____ just happen.

How will you respond to God's word today?

Reflection Questions

1. What wisdom have you received from other followers of Jesus?
2. How do you lean not on your own understanding?
3. Why does Jesus talk about money so much?
4. In light of the cross, how do you explain the Lord's discipline?
5. What wisdom would you give to others about following Jesus?
6. How is God getting your attention?
7. What is God saying to you?
8. What are you going to do about it?