

DISCUSSION GUIDE

What God Says About

DISCUSSION GOAL



Discuss the wisdom of God and why it is supremely precious. Talk about the value of wisdom and what it does for us. Discuss the role of wisdom in our faith and lives.

ICE BREAKER



What is the greatest piece of wisdom that has been taught to you or passed down to you from a previous generation? Why did it stick with you throughout your life?

TEXT



Have a member of your group read the passage aloud.

Proverbs 3:13-26 ESV

- ¹³ Blessed is the one who finds wisdom,
and the one who gets understanding,
¹⁴ for the gain from her is better than gain from
silver and her profit better than gold.
¹⁵ She is more precious than jewels,
and nothing you desire can compare with her.
¹⁶ Long life is in her right hand;
in her left hand are riches and honor.
¹⁷ Her ways are ways of pleasantness,
and all her paths are peace.
¹⁸ She is a tree of life to those who lay hold of her;
those who hold her fast are called blessed.
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.
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.
²³ Then you will walk on your way securely,
and your foot will not stumble.
²⁴ If you lie down, you will not be afraid;
when you lie down, your sleep will be sweet.
²⁵ Do not be afraid of sudden terror
or of the ruin of the wicked, when it comes,
²⁶ for the LORD will be your confidence
and will keep your foot from being caught.

MESSAGE OUTLINE



This is what our pastoral team observed about the passage.

Big idea: God's wisdom is supremely precious.

Key question: Why is wisdom so valuable?

1. By wisdom we live the good life. (vv. 13a, 16-18)
2. By wisdom God created the world. (vv. 19-20)
3. By wisdom we are protected from evil. (vv. 21-26)

DISCUSSION



- Verse 21 of this chapter teaches that God’s wisdom is to be sought after and clung onto. Why might it be difficult to hang onto God’s wisdom?
- Verses 16-18 describe the good life that comes from submitting our lives to the wisdom of God. Describe that good life. How is seeking the good life through God’s wisdom different than how our culture seeks to live their version of the good life?
- Read Romans 1:20 and Proverbs 3:19-20. How is God’s wisdom shown in and through creation? If creation is full of the wisdom of God, what are the implications for humanity being created in the image of God?
- This passage shows us that God’s wisdom protects us from evil. When was a time that wisdom of God’s Word or godly counsel saved you from making a sinful or regretful decision?
- Read 1 Corinthians 1:20-25. The Apostle Paul says that Jesus is “the wisdom of God”. What does it mean that Jesus Christ is the wisdom of God? How does the wisdom of God differ from the wisdom of the world?

LIFE APPLICATION



This week’s passage shows our need for God’s wisdom in every area of our lives. Based on what you’ve learned this week, how should you respond to God’s truth? How can your group support each other in times of doubt and fear?

Jot your ideas below and send a picture to your group to remind everyone of your action steps this week.

PRAYER REQUESTS


