

# SAFETY IS FOUND IN GODLY COUNSEL

## **BIG TRUTH: SAFETY IS FOUND IN GODLY COUNSEL**

Proverbs 12:15, 26; 13:20; 15:22; 16:2; 18:24; 24:6; 27:9, 17; Ecclesiastes 4:9-12

## **BIBLE VERSE: PROVERBS 11:14**

*“Where there is no guidance, a people falls, but in an abundance of counselors there is safety.”*

## **BIG IDEAS**

- Our understanding, insight, feelings, and thoughts are limited and often broken.
- Wisdom willingly embraces dependence and recognizes our need for help.
- Wisdom values and find success in godly counsel.

## **BIBLE PASSAGE: PROVERBS 1**

## **KNEEL: LIVING IN WISDOM**

The Kneel Year is an exploration of what it means to worship God with our all (Luke 10:26-28) and to use our influence to lead others to do the same. We know that as we pursue a life of worship, we will pursue a life of both wisdom and mission. Throughout this year we will study and pursue the wisdom of God through the book of Proverbs and the mission of God through the book of Acts, and we will learn how both of these things must inform and shape our influence as Jesus followers!

## **SERIES AIMS**



### **Every student should know...**

- What wisdom is.
- Why wisdom is worthy to be pursued.
- How to grow in wisdom.



### **Every student should feel...**

- Love for God who gives all wisdom.
- Satisfied and secure in the wisdom of God.
- Responsible to use their influence to live for Jesus alone.



### **Every student should strive to...**

- Read through the book of Proverbs one time each month.
- Memorize the Bible verse each week.
- Repent of the ways they have not pursued God and His wisdom.



### **Every student should want...**

- To fear the Lord and keep His commandments.
- To live their lives in pursuit of true wisdom.
- To guard their heart from all impurity.

## **FAMILY WORKOUT:**

This week we will ponder how to discuss with our son or daughter ways they can seek out Godly counsel. We will pray for them to become more receptive to Godly counsel as we lead them to invest in Godly friends.

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**Read Psalm 1 and make note of your observations. Answer the questions below:**

- What does it look like to walk in the counsel of the wicked man? What decisions lead to walking in the counsel of a wicked man?
- What is a scoffer? What does it mean to sit in the seat of a scoffer?
- What is the difference between obeying God's law and delighting in it?
- Does the psalmist really mean to meditate day and night on the law of the Lord? What does this look like practically in the life of a follower of Christ?
- What are the characteristics of a life that is like the tree planted by streams of water?

**Read and meditate on Psalm 1 this week. Use these questions to guide your meditation:**

- Ponder how you can discuss with your son or daughter the importance of Godly counsel. How can you model seeking Godly counsel and being open to Godly counsel?
- Consider the counsel you give to your son or daughter. Is the counsel you give Godly or is it based on secular ideas? How can you give your son or daughter Biblically counsel always? How can you point your son or daughter to others who will give them counsel from God's word as well?
- Ponder how you can discuss with your son or daughter the safety found in seeking Godly counsel. How can you help them see the importance of living life with fellow believers?



**Pray with your son or daughter this week.**

- As you pray together, model asking God to give you counsel and to guide your son or daughter to seek Godly counsel in their daily lives.
- Pray with your student this week. Ask God to give them a heart that is open to receive Godly counsel from others.



**Memorize Proverbs 11:14 with your son or daughter this week.**

- Review the verse every day to help them memorize it.
- Discuss with your son or daughter some of the ways that you have been helped by the counsel of others in the body of Christ. Show your son or daughter some of the ways that he or she can find Godly counsel by seeking advice from others.
- Meet with your student to discuss some of the ways that they can become better at listening to advice from the Godly people in their lives. Help them think through the ways they may not be hearing the Godly people in their lives and point them to repentance and prayer.