

BIG TRUTH: WISDOM IS A PURSUIT

Proverbs 2:1-5; 8:33-36; 9:9; 22:1-5; 28:5; Ecclesiastes 8:16-17

BIBLE VERSE: PROVERBS 4:7

"The beginning of wisdom is this: Get wisdom, and whatever you get, get insight."

BIG IDEAS

- Wisdom desires and values the pursuit of wisdom above everyday distractions.
- The desire for wisdom is a desire to know, love, and obey God.
- The pursuit of wisdom is work.

BIBLE PASSAGE: PROVERBS 4:4-9; EPHESIANS 5:15-21

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 the truth that pursuit of wisdom is work. We will pray with them to grow in their love for wisdom and we will lead them to practice pursuing wisdom daily.



Read Proverbs 4:4-9 and Ephesians 5:15-21 this week. Make notes in a journal and use the questions below to help you discuss these passages with your son or daughter:

- Read Ephesians 5:15-21. What does Paul mean when he says to look carefully how you walk? What does it mean to walk as a wise person? How does understanding the will of God help a person walk in wisdom?
- Read Proverbs 4:4-9. Why should wisdom be prized highly? What is the result when we prize wisdom highly?

Read and meditate on Proverbs 4:4-9 and Ephesians 5:15-21 this week. Use these questions to guide your meditation:

- Ponder how you can discuss with your son or daughter what it looks like to desire wisdom above all else. How can you model desiring wisdom above everything else in life?
- Consider how you can help your son or daughter understand what it looks like to pursue wisdom daily. How can you help your son or daughter understand how to discipline themselves to study God's Word daily?



Pray with your son or daughter this week.

- As you pray ask God to give them a heart to pursue wisdom no matter what it costs them.
- Pray with your student this week. Ask God to help them practice the discipline of studying His Word daily.



Memorize Proverbs 4:7 this week.

- Write the verse on an index card and review it with your son or daughter this week.
- Discuss with your son or daughter some of the wisdom you have gained by your own personal study of God's Word. Help them come up with a plan to study His Word daily. Share some of the insights you've gained by studying His Word.
- Meet with your student to discuss some of the insights you've gained from God's Word. Ask your student to share some of the areas of their life they'd like to gain more wisdom in, such as making decisions about the future, friends, etc. Help them see how a daily study of God's Word helps them make all decisions about life.