

The Path of Wisdom



MEMORY VERSE: For the Lord grants wisdom! From His mouth come knowledge and understanding.
Proverbs 2:6



Proverbs 2:1-8 — Wisdom Is a Treasure

1. What powerful word pictures describe the way we should seek wisdom? 2:1-4
2. On the contrary, what do you imagine would then work against gaining wisdom?
3. What happens when we seek wisdom as a treasure? v. 5
4. Why does this happen? vv. 6-8
5. Think about the “treasures” in your life. Do you treasure God’s instructions?
6. What results do you see in your life from your attitude towards God’s instructions?



Proverbs 2:9-19; James 4:4-10 — Wisdom Protects from the Path of Evil

7. What specific changes happen in the way we think when we pursue wisdom wholeheartedly? vv. 9-11

8. Can you think of a time when wisdom helped you:

Understand what is right, just and fair?

Find direction?

Experience joy?

Stay safe?

8. What kind of people does wisdom protect us from, according to verses 12-15?

9. Why might it be tempting to get involved with this kind of person?

10. Wisdom also protects us from the “immoral woman,” also known as the forbidden or adulterous woman. Describe her character. vv. 16-17

11. Why is she so dangerous? vv. 18,19

12. What further insight does James 4:4-5 give us about “adultery?”

13. What is our defense against spiritual adultery? James 4:6-10

14. Why do you think we are susceptible to the trap of spiritual adultery?



Proverbs 2 — Wisdom Is The Path of Righteousness

15. How many times in chapter 2 do you see a reference to a path or a way? Why do you think there are so many?

16. Do you think having wisdom is the same as having common sense? Why or why not?

17. What two opposite paths can people choose and what are the results? vv. 20-22

18. How do the truths in Proverbs 2 speak to you regarding your own journey with God?

WALK IN TRUTH



Paths are like escalators. When we get on an escalator, a power outside ourselves moves us. All we have to do is decide whether to go up or down and the machine does the work. Likewise, when we choose a lifestyle, attitude, friends, habit or way of thinking, we are propelled by a power greater than ourselves in the direction we have chosen. This is wonderful if we are on the right path, but awful if we are on the wrong path. If you are on the wrong path, get off, even if it hurts when you jump! Ask God to help you get on and stay on the right path, the path of wisdom. If you do this, you will avoid all kinds of heartache and trouble and instead experience more blessings than you can imagine.