



Talk it Over

PASTOR LYLE – PROVERBS 2-4 — 01/26/25

KEY SCRIPTURE

Proverbs 2:1-4

1 My child, **listen** to what I say, and **treasure** my commands.

2 **Tune** your ears to wisdom, and **concentrate** on understanding.

3 **Cry out** for insight, and **ask** for understanding.

4 **Search** for them as you would for silver; **seek** them like hidden treasures.

Proverbs 2: 5-11

5 **Then** you will understand what it means to fear the Lord, and you will gain knowledge of God.

6 For the Lord grants wisdom! From his mouth come knowledge and understanding.

7 He grants a treasure of common sense to the honest. He is a shield to those who walk with integrity.

8 He guards the paths of the just and protects those who are faithful to him.

9 **Then** you will understand what is right, just, and fair, and you will find the right way to go.

10 For wisdom will enter your heart, and knowledge will fill you with joy.

11 Wise choices will watch over you. Understanding will keep you safe.

Proverbs 3: 5-6

5 Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding.

6 Seek his will in all you do, and he will show you which path to take.

START TALKING

Share about something in your life that you believe has brought a good return on your investment. Not a financial investment but of your focused time and energy.

START DISCUSSING

WALKING IN WISDOM- IT'S AN INVESTMENT

Read Proverbs 2:1-4 and identify the 8 imperatives regarding wisdom. Discuss how the imperatives can be challenging.

Last week in Acts 2 we are introduced to the first group of believers whose first priority was the “relentless pursuit” of the teachings of the Word. His Word is the source of wisdom. Proverbs 2:1-4 is an “if statement”. “If” you put the imperatives into practice, “then” you will see a return on that investment found in vv. 5-11.

WALKING IN WISDOM YIELDS A GREAT RETURN

Read Proverbs 2:5-11.

Now go back and stop at each verse to discuss the benefits of investing your life in wisdom. Notice that verses 5 and 9 both begin with, “then you will understand...”. How humbling to know that my lack of investment in God’s Wisdom directly correlates to my lack of understanding in various areas of life.

Would you be willing to share an example of a poor outcome directly related to not seeking wisdom?

WISDOM PROTECTS MY PATH AND DIRECTS MY PATH

Read Proverbs 3:5-6

This is one of the most memorized portions of scripture. It’s a passage we should repeat many times a day because it requires relentless pursuit.

In vs.5 Contrast Trusting God vs Depending on self.

In vs 6 Describe what “seek Him in all that you do” means.

How is the path shown to you if you “trust and seek Him”?