



**SCRIPTURE:** 2 Corinthians 8:1-5; Acts 4:32-5:10 (James 3:13-18; Proverbs 10:23; 20:11; Psalm 112:1)

**KEY VERSE:**

*Proverbs 10:23—A fool finds pleasure in evil conduct, but a man of understanding delights in wisdom.*

**KEY THEMES:**

- † Wisdom is loving what is good and right and acting on that love
- † Foolishness is loving what is bad and wrong and acting on that love

**THIS WEEK:**

Help your child learn the definitions of wisdom and foolishness from the key themes. Be sure your child understands that actions come from heart affections. Give some illustrations of this in your child's life and ask him to give some illustrations (e.g., he eats pickles because he likes pickles, he watches baseball because he likes baseball, he chooses a certain kind of candy bar because it is the one he likes).

When you observe either good or bad behavior in your child, ask him what is in his heart at that moment. Help him to see that his actions flow from his heart. Encourage your child when you see good behavior as a reflection of good heart attitudes. When you see bad behavior, help your child to examine his heart attitudes and encourage him to deal appropriately with those attitudes.

Tell your child that you would like to help him to act on a good heart attitude this week. Ask him to let you know about some good heart attitude that he notices (sympathy for a sick person, concern for an unsaved person, generosity toward a certain family, etc.), then discuss with him some practical way he can show that heart attitude (make a card for the sick person or visit someone in the hospital, give a Bible to the unsaved person or share a verse with him, etc.) Then help your child to follow through on his good intentions.

Encourage your child in his Proverbs reading