

# **The Beginning of Wisdom**

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**Week 1**

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**Proverbs 4:7 (NIV)**

Wisdom is supreme; therefore get wisdom. Though it cost all you have, get understanding.

**The Fool—the Resistant One**

**Proverbs 1:7 (NIV)**

fools despise wisdom and instruction.

**Proverbs 23:9 (NIV)**

Do not speak to fools, for they will scorn your prudent words.

**Proverbs 13:20 (NIV)**

Walk with the wise and become wise, for a companion of fools suffers harm.

**The Scoffer—the Prideful One**

**Proverbs 21:24 (NKJV)**

A proud and haughty man—"Scoffer" is his name; He acts with arrogant pride.

**Proverbs 15:12 (NIV)**

Mockers resent correction, so they avoid the wise.

**The Simple—the Immature One**

**Proverbs 14:15 (NIV)**

The simple believe anything, but the prudent give thought to their steps.

**Proverbs 6:6–11 (NIV)**

Go to the ant, you sluggard; consider its ways and be wise! It has no commander, no

overseer or ruler, yet it stores its provisions in summer and gathers its food at harvest. How long will you lie there, you sluggard? When will you get up from your sleep? A little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to rest—and poverty will come on you like a thief and scarcity like an armed man.

### **The Wise—the Seeking One**

#### **Proverbs 9:10 (NIV)**

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.

#### **Proverbs 9:9 (NIV)**

Instruct the **wise** and they will be **wiser still**; teach the righteous and they will add to their learning.

#### **Proverbs 14:26 (NIV)**

Whoever fears the LORD has a secure fortress, and for their children it will be a refuge.

### **Recognize His greatness.**

#### **Psalms 145:3 (NIV)**

Great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom.

### **Recognize His holiness**

#### **Psalms 99:5 (NLT)**

Exalt the LORD our God! Bow low before his feet, for he is holy!

### **Submit to His Word.**

#### **Psalms 19:7–11 (NLT)**

The instructions of the LORD are **perfect**, reviving the soul. The decrees of the LORD are **trustworthy**, making wise the simple. The commandments of the LORD are **right**, bringing joy to the heart. The commands of the LORD are **clear**, giving insight for living. Reverence for the LORD is pure, lasting forever. The laws of the LORD are **true**; each one is fair. They are more desirable than gold, even the finest gold. They are sweeter than honey, even honey dripping from the comb. They are a warning to your servant, a **great reward** for those who obey them.

**It's living with reverence for the greatness and holiness of God, that reveals itself in a life submitted to God.**

#### **Psalms 128:1 (NLT)**

How joyful are those who fear the LORD—all who follow his ways!

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