



# Sermon Guide: Wisdom Overcomes Weakness

## 11/23/25

**Text(s):** Proverbs 30:24-28

**Big Idea:** *Wisdom overcomes weakness.*

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**Summary of the Sermon** - This passage teaches that true wisdom doesn't deny weakness—it knows how to overcome weakness through wisdom. Like the ant, the wise prepare today for a future they cannot avoid; like the rock badger, they run to the refuge that cannot be shaken; like the locust, they walk in unity under one Lord and one Spirit; and like the lizard, they embrace the wonder that God lifts the lowly to lofty places. Each creature confronts its limitation differently, but all point us toward the gospel, where Christ carries the weak into the palace of the King. Wisdom is ultimately found not in our strength, but in trusting God in our weakness.

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### Discussion Questions

1. Where in your life do you tend to ignore or hide your weakness instead of bringing it into the light before God?
2. In what ways have you been spiritually unprepared—putting off obedience, repentance, Scripture, or prayer until a “tomorrow” that never comes?
3. When danger, stress, or temptation comes, where do you instinctively run for refuge—and what does that reveal about your trust?
4. What is one practical “summer” discipline you need to begin this week to prepare for future “winter” (trials or temptations)?
5. What step can you take to root yourself more deeply in Christ as your Rock rather than relying on your own strength or knowledge?
6. Are you intentionally walking through life with other Christians? If so, what shared goal are you walking towards? If not, Who do you need to link arms with in Christian community so you are no longer walking alone?
7. How can you contribute your spiritual gifts to strengthen the body rather than remaining isolated or under-engaged?
8. What would it look like for you to embrace humility—recognizing your spiritual frailty—so that Christ can lift you up by grace?



# Sermon Guide: Family 11/23/25

## Scripture for Further Study:

### 1. Preparation (Ants)

- Proverbs 6:6–8 — The ant's diligence
- Matthew 6:19–21 — Storing up treasures in heaven
- Hebrews 9:27 — The certainty of death and judgment
- Psalm 90:12 — Numbering our days for wisdom
- Matthew 25:1–13 — The wise and foolish bridesmaids

### 2. Refuge (Rock Badgers)

- Psalm 18:1–3 — The Lord is my rock and fortress
- Psalm 61:1–4 — Lead me to the Rock that is higher
- Psalm 62:5–8 — God alone is my stronghold
- Psalm 31:1–5 — Be to me a rock of refuge
- Matthew 7:24–25 — Building life on the rock

### 3. Unity (Locusts)

- Acts 2:1–4, 42–47 — The early church united by the Spirit
- John 17:20–23 — Jesus' prayer for oneness among His people
- Ephesians 4:1–6 — One Lord, one faith, one Spirit, one body
- 1 Corinthians 12:4–27 — Spiritual gifts given to build up the body
- Ecclesiastes 4:9–12 — Two are better than one

### 4. Exaltation of the Lowly (Lizard)

- John 14:1–3 — Christ preparing a place for us
- James 4:10 — Humble yourselves, and He will exalt you
- 1 Peter 5:6–7 — Humble yourselves under God's mighty hand
- Luke 14:7–11 — The humble will be exalted
- 1 Corinthians 1:26–31 — God chooses the foolish and weak