

# WISDOM LITERATURE

*reading guide*



# What is Wisdom Literature?

Wisdom literature is a genre found in the Old Testament of the Bible, which contains a collection of wise proverbs, moral teachings, poems, life observations, and testimonies that are meant to guide the reader along the path of “wisdom” that leads to a life of *shalom* in Christ. It’s generally agreed that the books Job, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, and Song of Solomon are considered wisdom literature.

## What Is Shalom?

The word *Shalom* (*shah-LOHM*) is a Hebrew word that means “peace” and “wholeness.” In **Proverbs 3.17**, wisdom is depicted as a woman whose “paths all lead to *shalom*” - *to peace and wholeness*. The promise of Scripture is that those who follow the Lord’s path of wisdom will inherit a life of *shalom* - a life of peace and wholeness in Christ.

## How Do I Use This Guide?

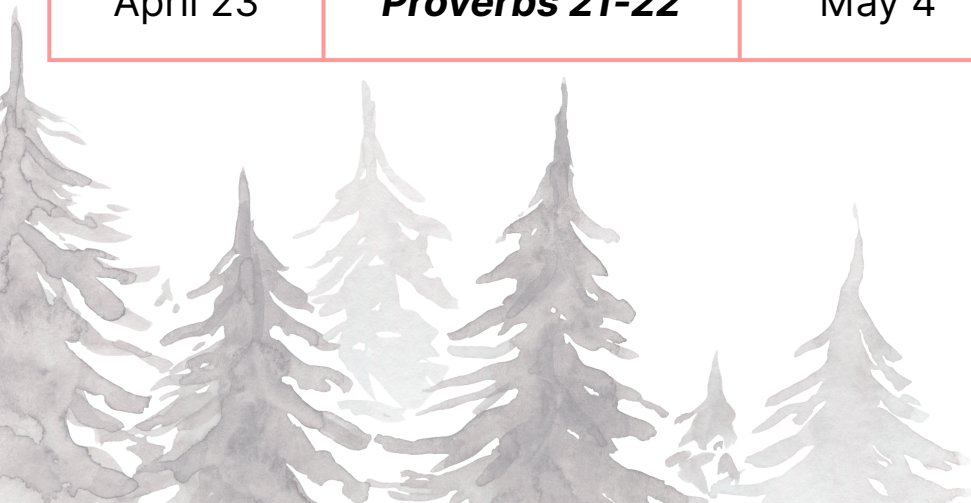
This 7-week reading guide is designed to help you be with Jesus as you interact with wisdom literature. Each day will have a selection of scripture for you to read at your own pace. You have complete freedom to pick when and how you want to read!

If you miss a day or get really behind, don’t stress about it! Just jump back in on whatever day it is.

Please keep in mind that this is not meant to be something to let pressure you or work to accomplish, but instead it’s good to just let this be a simple practice to enjoy as you be with, become like, and love like Jesus.

# 7-Week Reading Plan

April 13	<b><i>Proverbs 1-2</i></b>	April 24	<b><i>Proverbs 23-24</i></b>
April 14	<b><i>Proverbs 3-4</i></b>	April 25	<b><i>Proverbs 25-26</i></b>
April 15	<b><i>Proverbs 5-6</i></b>	April 26	<b><i>Proverbs 27-28</i></b>
April 16	<b><i>Proverbs 7-8</i></b>	April 27	<b><i>Proverbs 29-31</i></b>
April 17	<b><i>Proverbs 9-10</i></b>	April 28	<b><i>Ecclesiastes 1-3</i></b>
April 18	<b><i>Proverbs 11-12</i></b>	April 29	<b><i>Ecclesiastes 4-6</i></b>
April 19	<b><i>Proverbs 13-14</i></b>	April 30	<b><i>Ecclesiastes 7-9</i></b>
April 20	<b><i>Proverbs 15-16</i></b>	May 1	<b><i>Ecclesiastes 10-12</i></b>
April 21	<b><i>Proverbs 17-18</i></b>	May 2	<b><i>Song of Solomon 1-4</i></b>
April 22	<b><i>Proverbs 19-20</i></b>	May 3	<b><i>Song of Solomon 5-8</i></b>
April 23	<b><i>Proverbs 21-22</i></b>	May 4	<b><i>Job 1-2</i></b>



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May 5	<b>Job 3-4</b>	May 16	<b>Job 25-26</b>
May 6	<b>Job 5-6</b>	May 17	<b>Job 27-28</b>
May 7	<b>Job 7-8</b>	May 18	<b>Job 29-30</b>
May 8	<b>Job 9-10</b>	May 19	<b>Job 31-32</b>
May 9	<b>Job 11-12</b>	May 20	<b>Job 33-34</b>
May 10	<b>Job 13-14</b>	May 21	<b>Job 35-36</b>
May 11	<b>Job 15-16</b>	May 22	<b>Job 37-38</b>
May 12	<b>Job 17-18</b>	May 23	<b>Job 39-40</b>
May 13	<b>Job 19-20</b>	May 24	<b>Job 41-42</b>
May 14	<b>Job 21-22</b>	<b>Recommended Scripture Memorization</b> > Proverbs 3.5-8 > Proverbs 2.6-11 > Ecclesiastes 3.11-13	
May 15	<b>Job 23-24</b>		

## Spotify Playlist

for connecting to God in music

