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## SEQUOIA NOTES

Today's Sequoia @10:10 Message...

### The Path to Wisdom

With Ryan Dawson, Lead Pastor  
January 3, 2016 - Happy New Year!



**Wisdom = the quality or state of being wise; knowledge of what is true or right coupled with just judgment as to action.**

*J.I. Packer "Wisdom is the power to see and the inclination to choose the best and highest goal, together with the surest means of attaining it."*

**What is a proverb? "A proverb is a short, wise, easy-to-remember saying that calls a person to action."**

Proverbs 1:1-7

These are the proverbs of Solomon, David's son, king of Israel.

2 Their purpose is to teach people wisdom and discipline,  
to help them understand the insights of the wise.

3 Their purpose is to teach people to live disciplined and successful  
lives,

to help them do what is right, just, and fair.

4 These proverbs will give insight to the simple,  
knowledge and discernment to the young.

5 Let the wise listen to these proverbs and become even wiser.  
Let those with understanding receive guidance

6 by exploring the meaning in these proverbs and parables,  
the words of the wise and their riddles.

7 Fear of the Lord is the foundation of true knowledge,  
but fools despise wisdom and discipline.

**What is the purpose of the Book of Proverbs?** v.1-3

**Who are these proverbs for?** v.4-6

**How do we get this wisdom?** v. 7

**Big Idea: The reverent worship of God is the starting point and essence of wisdom.**

1 Corinthians 1:24 "Christ is the power of God and the wisdom of God."

Colossians 2:3 "I want them to have complete confidence that they understand God's mysterious plan, which is Christ himself. In Him lie hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge."

**What action steps can you take today to grow in wisdom?**

**1) Pursue Jesus:**

**2) Proverbs Challenge:**

*The Translation of the Bible Scriptures used in today's 10:10 service are from the New Living Translation(NLT).*