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"That night God appeared to Solomon and said to him, "Ask for whatever you want me to give you." 2 Chronicles 1:7

"Give me wisdom and knowledge, that I may lead this people, for who is able to govern this great people of yours?" 2 Chronicles 1:10

Give Me Wisdom

Wisdom is a <u>Blessing</u>

"Blessed are those who find wisdom, those who gain understanding, for she is more profitable than silver and yields better returns than gold. She is more precious than rubies; nothing you desire can compare with her. Long life is in her right hand; in her left hand are riches and honor. ¹⁷ Her ways are pleasant ways, and all her paths are peace. She is a tree of life to those who take hold of her; those who hold her fast will be blessed." Proverbs 3:13-18

Wisdom is a Protection

"Get wisdom, get understanding; do not forget my words or turn away from them. Do not forsake wisdom, and she will protect you; love her, and she will watch over you." Proverbs 4:5-6

> Embrace Wisdom

"The beginning of wisdom is this: Get wisdom. Though it cost all you have, get understanding. Cherish her, and she will exalt you; embrace her, and she will honor you. She will give you a garland to grace your head and present you with a glorious crown." Proverbs 4:7-9

God said to Solomon, "Since this is your heart's desire and you have not asked for wealth, possessions or honor, nor for the death of your enemies, and since you have not asked for a long life but for wisdom and knowledge to govern my people over whom I have made you king, therefore wisdom and knowledge will be given you. And I will also give you wealth, possessions and honor, such as no king who was before you ever had and none after you will have." 2 Chronicles 1:11-12

The Result of Wisdom

- Righteous <u>Justice</u>
- Clear understanding of <u>created nature</u>

"He spoke about plant life, from the cedar of Lebanon to the hyssop that grows out of walls. He also spoke about animals and birds, reptiles and fish." 1 Kings 4:33

- Healthy <u>relationships</u>
- Victory over <u>evil</u>

"The wise fear the Lord and shun evil, but a fool is hotheaded and yet feels secure. A quick-tempered person does foolish things, and the one who devises evil schemes is hated. The simple inherit folly, but the prudent are crowned with knowledge. Evildoers will bow down in the presence of the good, and the wicked at the gates of the righteous. The poor are shunned even by their neighbors, but the rich have many friends. It is a sin to despise one's neighbor, but blessed is the one who is kind to the needy. Do not those who plot evil go astray? But those who plan what is good find love and faithfulness." Proverbs 14:16-22

• Supernatural influence

"And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man." Luke 2:52

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Scripture: 2 Chronicles 1:7-12; Proverbs 3:13-18; Proverbs 4:5-9; 1 Kings 4:33; Proverbs 14:16-22; Luke 2:52