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Part 2 of The Heart of the Mind

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God gives us wisdom for every area of life, including how we handle what He has entrusted to us. Proverbs gives us practical principles for generosity, earning, guarding, growing, and seeking guidance.

1. **Generosity** *(Proverbs 11:24–26; Proverbs 3:9)*
   - Wisdom teaches us that generosity is not about having more, but about trusting God with what we have.

   Discuss:
   - *What makes it difficult for people to live open-handed?*
   - *What does putting God first with our finances actually look like?*

2. **Getting** *(Proverbs 10:4; Proverbs 22:29; Proverbs 14:23; Proverbs 13:11; Proverbs 28:19)*
   - Getting is not simply about making more money. It is about stewarding our abilities well and faithfully working the field God has given us.

   Discuss:
   - *What is the difference between working hard and simply being busy?*
   - *Are there areas where you are tempted to chase quick results instead of staying consistent?*

3. **Guarding** *(Proverbs 21:20; Proverbs 27:23; Proverbs 21:17; Proverbs 6:8; Proverbs 27:20; Proverbs 22:7)*
   - Good stewardship requires us to know what we have, where it is going, and whether our spending reflects our priorities.

   Discuss:
   - *How does intentional stewardship differ from simply having a budget?*
   - *What area of your finances needs more attention or intentionality?*

4. **Growing** *(Proverbs 13:11; Proverbs 31:16; Proverbs 28:20; Proverbs 13:22; Proverbs 20:21)*

- Godly stewardship is about what we can build, preserve, and pass on to the generations that come after us.

Discuss:

- *Why can slow growth be difficult in a culture that celebrates quick results?*
- *What kind of wisdom do you want to pass on to the next generation?*

5. **Guidance** *(Proverbs 15:22; Proverbs 19:20; Proverbs 28:26; Proverbs 3:5–6; Proverbs 12:15)*
    - Financial decisions, career decisions, and major life decisions all require wisdom. We should seek God first, invite trusted people into the process, and remain humble enough to receive correction when needed.

    Discuss:

    - *Who are the people you trust to speak wisdom and truth into your life?*
    - *What decision are you facing where you may need to seek God and godly counsel?*