

WISDOM

GROWING IN DISCERNMENT



**I want to be foolish when I grow
up**

**foolishness is fast, wisdom
hastens slowly**

**ongoing growth in wisdom is
normal for true humans**







**What is one situation you are facing at the moment
which requires wisdom?**

**Growth in wisdom is normal for true humans
and necessary for sinners**

Get wisdom, get understanding; do not forget my words or turn away from them. 6 Do not forsake wisdom, and she will protect you; love her, and she will watch over you. 7 The beginning of wisdom is this: Get wisdom. Though it cost all you have, get understanding. 8 Cherish her, and she will exalt you; embrace her, and she will honor you. 9 She will give you a garland to grace your head and present you with a glorious crown.

Proverbs 4:5–9

God blessed them and said to them, “Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground.” Genesis 1:28

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

**perfect people need to grow in
wisdom**

Son though he was, he learned obedience from what he suffered 9 and, once made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him ... Hebrews 5:8–9

**Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the
wild animals the LORD God had made. Genesis
3:1**

When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. Genesis 3:6

**Woe to those who call evil good and good evil,
who put darkness for light and light for darkness,
who put bitter for sweet and sweet for bitter.**

Isaiah 5:20

What is an example from our culture where something evil is called good?

What is an example from our culture where something good is called evil?



**There is a way that appears to be right, but in the
end it leads to death. Proverbs 14:12**

Can you think of a time where you went after something which you thought would bring you life and it only brought you death?

But solid food is for the mature, who by constant use have trained themselves to distinguish good from evil. Hebrews 5:14

**you're trying to do the right thing,
but you are going about it all
wrong**

**The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom,
and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.
Proverbs 9:10**

**When pride comes, then comes disgrace, but with
humility comes wisdom. Proverbs 11:2**