

THE BENEFITS OF WISDOM – PROVERBS 8:17-21

SERIES: WALKING IN WISDOM

¹ Does not wisdom cry out, And understanding lift up her voice?

¹⁷ I love those who love me, And those who seek me diligently will find me.

Proverbs 8:1, 17 (NKJV)

1. A GAIN IN ONE'S _____ OF GOD

³ Yes, if you want better insight and discernment, ⁴ and are searching for them as you would for lost money or hidden treasure, then wisdom will be given you and knowledge of God himself; ⁵ you will soon learn the importance of reverence for the Lord and of trusting him. **Proverbs 2:3-5 (TLB)**

2. CLEAR _____ FROM GOD

¹⁰ Hear, my son, and accept my sayings And the years of your life will be many. ¹¹ I have directed you in the way of wisdom; I have led you in upright paths. ¹² When you walk, your steps will not be impeded; And if you run, you will not stumble. **Proverbs 4:10-12 (NASB)**

3. GOD'S DIVINE _____

¹⁵ A simple man believes anything, but a prudent man gives thought to his steps.

¹⁶ A wise man fears the LORD and shuns evil, but a fool is hotheaded and reckless.

Proverbs 14:15-16 (NIV)

4. GOD'S STRENGTH AND _____

⁵ A wise man is mightier than a strong man. Wisdom is mightier than strength.

⁶ Don't go to war without wise guidance; there is safety in many counselors.

Proverbs 24:5-6 (TLB)

5. GENUINE JOY AND _____

¹³ Blessed is the man who finds wisdom, the man who gains understanding, ...

¹⁷ Her ways are pleasant ways, and all her paths are peace. ¹⁸ She is a tree of life to those who embrace her; those who lay hold of her will be blessed.

Proverbs 3:13, 17-18 (NIV)

6. A GOOD _____

³² And so, young men, listen to me, for how happy are all who follow my instructions.

³³ "Listen to my counsel—oh, don't refuse it—and be wise. ³⁴ Happy is the man who is so anxious to be with me that he watches for me daily at my gates, or waits for me outside my home! ³⁵ For whoever finds me finds life and wins approval from the Lord. **Proverbs 8:32-35 (TLB)**

➤ Embrace God's _____ You

⁸ But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. ⁹ Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him! ¹⁰ For if, when we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life! **Romans 5:8-10 (NIV)**

➤ Know the Value of Godly _____

⁸ He who gets wisdom loves his own soul; He who keeps understanding will find good. **Proverbs 19:8 (NKJV)**

³⁹ And the second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'
Matthew 22:39 (NKJV)

7. WHOLE PERSON _____

¹⁷ I love all who love me. Those who search for me shall surely find me. ¹⁸ Unending riches, honor, justice, and righteousness are mine to distribute. ¹⁹ My gifts are better than the purest gold or sterling silver! ²⁰ My paths are those of justice and right.

²¹ Those who love and follow me are indeed wealthy. I fill their treasuries.

Proverbs 8:17-21 (TLB)

8. GOOD HEALTH AND A _____

⁵ Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding;

⁶ in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight. ⁷ Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the LORD and shun evil. ⁸ This will bring health to your body and nourishment to your bones. **Proverbs 3:5-8 (NIV)**