
The Way Of Wisdom
"The Starting Point"
Proverbs 1

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Introduction: This morning, we begin a new series where we'll work our way through Proverbs.

1. In this book we find the way of wisdom.
 - Much Needed
 - In Short Supply
2. By definition, wisdom is the ability to live skillfully. It is a compilation of:
 - Knowledge
 - Life Experience
 - Common Sense
 - Maturity
 - Morality
3. All of this results in a life well lived.
4. The starting point for wisdom is God.
5. Solomon knew this experientially.
6. The book of Proverbs represents a collection of wise sayings intended to improve the lives of those who embrace this wisdom.
7. The first bit of wisdom Solomon shares deals with resisting temptation.
8. Temptation is something we all face.
9. Wisdom offers us victory over temptation.

I. Wisdom Leads To A Disciplined Life

- A. Delayed Gratification

- B. Advance Decision Making

- C. Accountability

II. Wisdom Filters Our Influences

- A. Healthy People

- B. Healthy Plans & Practices

III. Wisdom Is Discerning

- A. To Avoid Danger

- B. To See With Clarity

Conclusion: Solomon closes Chapter 1 by personifying wisdom.

1. This leaves us with a choice to make.
 - To reject wisdom is self-destructive.
 - To embrace wisdom and experience security.
2. So, when temptation comes your way – wisdom would counsel us to consent not!