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**The Way Of Wisdom**  
"Straight Paths"  
Proverbs 3:1-7

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Introduction: We have begun working our way through Proverbs in search of wisdom.

1. Proverbs is a compilation of wise sayings that will help us navigate the complexities of life. Life is full of complexity.
2. Last week we focused on how wisdom enables us to resist temptation.
3. Wisdom sees the self-destructive nature of sin and gives us the discernment we need to choose every good course.
4. I want to expand on that this morning as we focus on one of the most familiar passages in Proverbs.
5. If we hope to choose every right course for our lives, we must let God lead the way.
6. This requires us to take two steps.

I. Step One: We Must Trust The Lord

A. The Command

B. The Scope

C. The Caution

II. Step Two: We Must Maintain An Intimate Relationship With The Lord

A. The Command

B. The Scope

C. The Result

Conclusion: There is no debate, we live in a complex broken world, where up is down, right is wrong, good is bad, etc.

1. It is easy to diagnose the problem:
  - When you reject absolutes.
  - When you embrace relativism.
  - When you embrace pragmatism.
  - When you embrace hyper-tolerance.
  - This is what you get!
2. To navigate that complexity, we need wisdom.
3. Wisdom comes from God.
4. When we trust Him enough to let Him lead the way, He will make our paths straight.