

The Blessings of Wisdom

Proverbs 2

Introduction

Proverbs 2 is a call to wisdom.

- It is an alphabet poem with 22 verses.
- There are 6 stanzas.
- The first stanza is a call to wisdom and the next 5 share the blessings of wisdom.

Wisdom

I. Wisdom is a treasure hard won. Proverbs 2:1-4

Wisdom is a gift from God,
yet it requires effort on our part.

Accept
Store up

Turn your ear, apply your heart,
call out, cry aloud, look for and
search for – all express the need
to work at our faith.

The author motivates us to study
God's Word, not by shoulds and
oughts, but by the blessings that
wisdom gives.

Wisdom

II. The blessings of wisdom. Proverbs 2:5-22

1. The knowledge of God. Verses 5-8

Those who seek wisdom will
find God.

*"Then you will understand the
fear of the Lord and find the
knowledge of God."*

2. Discernment for life. Verses 9-11

*"Then you will understand what is
right and just and fair – every good
path."*

There is a wisdom that can help us
to acquire skills and possessions.

There is a wisdom that can help us
to live life well – in a way that
pleases God.

What kind of wisdom do we seek?

3. Protection from evil men.
Verses 12-15

4. Protection from immoral
women. Verses 16-19

“Both tempt us to leave the path
of righteousness – to walk away
from God.

Both use lies to deceive and
seduce.

Both lead to death – spiritual
separation from God.

5. The blessing of God.
Verses 20-22

*“The upright will live in the land...
but the wicked will be cut off from
the land.”*

To live in the land is to enjoy God’s
favor and blessing.

Conclusion

Why do we choose to live
differently?

We have learned that this world is
not the real world.

What do we need to do to
experience his blessings in our
life?

Wisdom