



Wisdom for  
a New Day

## WEEK 1 | LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

### CONNECT

- In your family, have there been any wisdom phrases or mottos passed down (i.e. if you can't say something nice, then don't say anything at all)?
- Who do you consider to be a wise person? What is it about this person that makes them wise?

### CONSIDER

- What encouraged or challenged you from the sermon and/or daily devotions this week?

### CHRIST

Read Proverbs 1:1-7 as a group.

- The first seven verses of Proverbs give us an introduction and overview of the book with Solomon describing wisdom. **What words does Solomon use to describe wisdom? How would you put these descriptions in your own words (use different Bible translations for more clarity)? Which word or phrase resonates with you? Why?**
- A major theme of the book of Proverbs is the phrase “the fear of the Lord” which occurs multiple times throughout. This phrase is considered the foundation for wisdom. **Take a moment to read the following passages as a group: Psalm 111:10, Proverbs 9:10, 15:33, Job 28:28, and Micah 6:8. What does the phrase “fear of the Lord” mean? What are some examples of living this phrase out in your own life and faith?**

Read Proverbs 2:1-11 as a group.

- Solomon encourages us to turn our ears to wisdom and apply our hearts to understanding (v.2). He takes it a step further, challenging us to seek it out like searching for hidden treasure (v.4). **What does it practically look like to turn our ears to wisdom and apply our hearts to understanding?**



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**What words would you describe your current process of gaining wisdom (intentional, deepening, accidental, lazy, etc...)? Why?**

**What are some wise voices that are influencing you right now (books, internet, podcasts, counsel of others, etc...)?**

- When we search for wisdom, we will find God and deepen our relationship with Him (v.5-6). His wisdom brings about transformation in our lives. **Looking through 2:1-11, what are the benefits of seeking/finding wisdom from God? Write down all of your group's answers. How do these benefits develop Godly character in our lives?**

**Read Matthew 7:24-27 & James 1:5-8 as a group.**

- God promises that if we seek wisdom, He will give it to us. Sometimes that comes through prayer, the Bible, wise counsel of Godly friends, and/or experience. **When have you sought Godly wisdom on a situation or decision? Where/how did you search? What did God teach you through it?**
- Praying for wisdom is essential. **Right now, where do you need wisdom? What steps do you need to take to pursue wisdom? How can our group help?**

### CALLING

- We all need more wisdom, because it's a never ending process of learning. Add praying for wisdom to your summer to do list. Seek it out like someone looking for buried treasure (Proverbs 2:4).
- To continue having The Best Summer Ever, check out these suggested resources at [mynorthside.com/bestsummerever](http://mynorthside.com/bestsummerever).
- **Daily Devotions:** Spend 15 minutes each day with Northside devotions. Text JOINGOD to 81411 or use the Study tab in Northside's App for Daily Devotions.
- **Memorize:** *"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and instruction."* Proverbs 1:7
- **Further Study:** Begin the Wisdom reading plan (Proverbs & Ecclesiastes) from The Best Summer Ever resources.