

Wisdom's Beginning

Proverbs 1:1-19

- The purpose of Proverbs is to impart WISDOM.
- The FOUNDATION of wisdom is the FEAR of the LORD.
- Wisdom takes root in the FAMILY.
- Wisdom PROTECTS us from the enticement of SIN.

FURTHER UP, FURTHER IN

1. In our culture, where are some places people look for knowledge or wisdom? Why do you think we don't look to the Bible more often?
2. If you God offered to grant you anything you asked for, what would you ask for? Why? How does wisdom compare to what you'd ask for?
3. Read Proverbs 1:1-6. What stands out to you about the purpose of the book of Proverbs? What are the different kinds of wisdom Proverbs can impart? Which do you need most right now?
4. Read Proverbs 1:7. In your own words, how would you describe the "fear of the Lord?" Why do you think this is the "beginning of wisdom?" How can you cultivate a greater "fear of the Lord" in your life?
5. Read Proverbs 1:8-9. How, in your life, has the family been the context of providing wisdom? How can you do better at this?
6. Read Proverbs 1:10-19. What aspect of the enticement stands out to you? How can you heed the pleas of 1:15-16? How does the trap of 1:17-19 show us the danger of sin?
7. As we study Proverbs, what's one area of life that you hope to grow in wisdom?

