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THE BENEFITS OF WISDOM

SERMON SCRIPTURES

Proverbs 3:13-18

Proverbs 8:32

Proverbs 8:34-35

Proverbs 8:18

Job 28:13-18

Matthew 13:44

Matthew 6:33

Matthew 11:28-30

1 Timothy 4:8

Many Believers in the Body of Christ struggles with understanding God's ways. From time to time, we all have missed His visitation, ignored His instructions, etc. But when this happens we must repent, and begin to acknowledge Him as God in every area of our lives (Proverbs 3:6).

He wants to be our Father, our Provider, our Counselor, and more. But it's up to

us to trust Him, to love Him, to put Him first, and to allow the Holy Spirit to lead us in what He wants us to do.

Many mistakes and consequences we would avoid going through, if we'd listen and obey God wholeheartedly. However, many chooses not to listen and decides to do things their own way, and the end results aren't victorious.

Likewise, when the Children of Israel cried out for a deliverer, God heard their cry and answered them. He raised up Moses to deliver them from the land of Egypt and Pharaoh. Soon after their deliverance they forgot God, and all of the miracles they've witnessed God do through Moses and Aaron.

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Take a second to look back over your lives, we haven't done the same things, but we all needed Jesus to save us (like how Paul explained in **Romans 7:24**, we were wretched). It took the Blood of Jesus to wash us clean (**1 John 1:7**).

Just like God had a great plan and a destiny for the Children of Israel (**Exodus 3:17**), He too has a great plan for our lives. He wants us to reach our full potential and destiny in Him (**Jeremiah 29:11**).

However, we can't serve God in our self-efforts or with self-righteousness (**Romans 7:19-25**) we will not win the battle. If we do not put our Faith in the finished work of Christ, we have moved our Faith (**Romans 8:2, 2 Corinthians 2:14, 1 Corinthians 15:57**).

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Wisdom is the principle thing and it is important that we apply it to our lives. How do we get wisdom and apply it? God's wisdom is found in His Word, and there are great benefits in having His wisdom. It's not enough to read His Word for knowledge, but we must apply His wisdom in our lives. We apply His wisdom by making time to mediate on His Word, seek His Presence, and have daily fellowship with Him.

If we don't have God's wisdom, we will rebel against Him. Wisdom will not come to us uninvited, wisdom will come when we choose to read and mediate on His Word.

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Joy and happiness are two different things. Joy comes when you know God and know the Truth (His Word), but happiness comes and goes. As it states in **Proverbs 8:35** "For whoso finds me finds life, and shall obtain favor of the Lord", for God's Word is life (**Hebrews 4:12, Psalm 119:105, Psalm 18:30**).

We can't hide anything from God, He sees and knows everything. He loves us when He chastens us (**Hebrews 12:6**), and He knows how to correct us when we're headed the wrong way.

Know your identity in Christ, and understand that we've been bought with a price (**1 Corinthians 6:20**). It's no excuse that we could use to justify for not obeying God.

The enemy wants us to compromise in our Salvation, with God's Word, and ultimately, he wants to steal our Faith. Again, we must know who we are in Christ, because we're more than conquerors (**Romans 8:37**), and we're new creatures in Christ (**2 Corinthians 5:17**).

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Having knowledge of God's Word and applying His wisdom has more value, than us having many possessions. When we seek God first, the other things that we desire (that's in His Perfect Will for us to have) will come (**Matthew 6:33**).

When we do it God's way, it will bring us joy! He knows how to supply all of our needs (**Philippians 4:19**), therefore, we should focus on seeking Him to discover what our purpose is. For every Believer in Christ has a calling, and it's our responsibility to seek Him to find out what it is, how to develop in it, and to fulfill it.

YOUR PRAYER TO GOD

By the Grace of God, I will put my Faith in what Jesus has accomplished on the Cross. By Faith, I will seek to obtain God's wisdom and His Way of doing things, and apply His wisdom to my life.

In Jesus name. Amen.