

OUTLINE & QUESTIONS

THE WISDOM OF GOD

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1. God shares his _____

2. We can _____ in _____

_____ to wisdom

_____ for wisdom

_____ with wisdom

3. How to _____ a wise life

Read the _____

Choose your _____

Obey _____

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

FOR FAMILY, FRIENDS & GROUPS

1. *Smart vs. Wise* How would you distinguish between being “smart” and being “wise”? Can you think of someone you know who demonstrates one but not necessarily the other?

2. *Daniel's Response (Daniel 2:17-23)* What does Daniel's immediate response to the crisis reveal about his understanding of God's wisdom? What can we learn from his decision to involve his friends in seeking God's wisdom?

3. *Shrewd as Snakes, Innocent as Doves (Matthew 10:16)* Jesus tells his disciples to be “shrewd as snakes and innocent as doves.” What does this balance look like in practical terms as Christians living in today's culture?

4. *Asking for Wisdom (James 1:5)* James 1:5 promises that God gives wisdom generously to those who ask. What areas of your life do you most need God's wisdom right now?

5. *Acting on Wisdom (James 1:6-8)* The sermon mentioned that God gives wisdom to those who will actually act on it. What makes it difficult to act on wisdom we've received? How can we cultivate a heart that's genuinely willing to obey God's wisdom?

6. *Choose Your Herd (Proverbs 13:20)* “Walk with the wise and become wise, for a companion of fools suffers harm.” How do your closest relationships influence your decision-making? What qualities do you look for in friends and mentors?

7. *Reading God's Word* How has reading God's Word contributed to your wisdom, even on days when it felt routine? The sermon suggested using Proverbs as a guide for different life areas—what topic would you most like to study through Proverbs?

8. *Practical Examples* The sermon mentioned serving and tithing as practical examples of acting on God's wisdom. What other areas of life require us to trust God's wisdom over conventional thinking?

9. *Growing in Wisdom* The sermon noted that “the wise become wiser”—wisdom grows through practice. How have you experienced this principle in your own life? What's one specific way you can practice acting on God's wisdom this week?

10. *Personal Challenge* The closing question was: “What is the one thing I am going to do to become wiser?” Take a moment to consider this personally, then share with the group if you're comfortable. Take time to pray together, asking God for wisdom in the specific areas your group members have shared, and thanking Him for His generous heart in giving wisdom to those who ask.