

I. What is wisdom

Note: "While *sophia* is the insight into the true nature of things, *phronesis* is the ability to discern modes of action with a view to their results; while *sophia* is theoretical, *phronesis* is practical" (Lightfoot). *Sunesis*, "understanding, intelligence,

I Corinthians 1:24 Jesus is the wisdom of God

Proverbs 8:14I am understanding; I have strength.

****1Cor 2:7-16** Mystery (Knowledge withheld)

James 3:17 But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy.

I Kings 3:9-12 Solomon asked for a understanding heart

Deut 34:9 Joshue was full of the Spirit of Wisdom

II. Why do we need it

Proverbs 4:5,7 Get wisdom it is the PRINCIPLE THING

Proverbs 9:9-11 Give instruction (not information) to a wise man, and he will be yet wiser:

Teach a just *man*, and he will increase in learning. The fear of the LORD *is* the beginning of wisdom: And the knowledge of the holy *is* understanding. For by me thy days shall be multiplied, And the years of thy life shall be increased.

Proverbs 8:18-21 Riches and honour *are* with me (*wisdom, Jesus*); *yea*, durable riches and righteousness. My fruit *is* better than gold, *yea*, than fine gold; and my revenue than choice silver. I lead in the way of righteousness, in the midst of the paths of judgment: That I may cause those that love me to inherit substance; and I will fill their treasures.

III. How do we get it –you have to

A. SEEK (want it) - Those that hunger and thirst shall be filled.

Proverbs 2:3-6 Seek wisdom as silver the Lord gives wisdom

Proverbs 1:21-33 Turn at God's reproof and do not be a scorner

Proverbs 8:1-7 Wisdom Cries listen to me receive me

Revelation 3 Luke Warm is to have need of nothing

Matthew 13 Seek –their eyes have they closed

B. Ask in faith

1. To have faith you MUST KNOW GOD WANTS TO GIVE YOU WISDOM

2. I Corinthians 1:30 Jesus is made unto me wisdom righteousness and redemption

3. Proverbs 8:32-36 watch daily at my gates and you shall find wisdom

4. Proverbs 2:6 The Lord gives wisdom

5. James 1: God gives wisdom and upbradieth it not

Dallas Theological Seminary. (1983-). *The Bible knowledge commentary : An exposition of the scriptures* However, God's provision has some prerequisites. To receive God's wisdom in trials, the believer must be wise in asking. First, he must ask in faith. **He must believe and not doubt** (*diakrinomenos*, the word for "doubt," suggests vacillating). He dare not come to God **like a wave of the sea, blown** [horizontally] **and tossed** [vertically] **by the wind**. God is not pleased with a **double-minded** (lit., "two-souled," *dipsychos*; cf. 4:8) **man** who is **unstable in all he does**, like an unsteady, staggering drunk. The answer from God depends on assurance in God.

IV. Wisdom will come up in your spirit

Psalm 51:6 Behold, thou desirest truth in the inward parts:

And in the hidden part thou shalt make me to know wisdom.

V. Pray Eph 1 & Colossians 1 - Ask for wisdom in Faith

Pray for me that I would know how to help you be what God has called you be. Pray for your spouse, pray for your children, pray for your coworker & neighbor

Gen 3:8 Adam and Eve fled from the presence of God - Sin Takes away your confidence in God and causes you to hid from Him