

GET GODLY WISDOM

**The Only True source of Godly Wisdom:*

1 Timothy 1:17 (KJV) ^{17a} "Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, The only wise God, ^b be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen

1.) In vs.17a; What other attributes of God are listed in this verse?

2.) In vs.17b; What rightfully belongs to The King eternal, immortal, invisible, The only wise God?

3.) Do you think we bring glory and honor to God when we are participating in addiction?

Jude 25 (NKJV) ^{25a} To God our Savior, Who alone is wise, ^b *Be* glory and majesty, Dominion and power, Both now and forever. Amen.

1.) In vs.25a; What other title is given to God?

2.) In vs.25b; What rightfully belongs To God our Savior, Who alone is wise?

3.) Whose dominion and power are we under when we are participating in any form of addiction?

4.) Who are we bringing glory to when we are participating in any form of addiction?

5.) In the previous 2 verses we read, what is the common thing listed that rightly belongs to The Only Wise God?

**Wisdom is one of the 7 Spirits of God:*

Revelation 4:5(KJV) And out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices: and *there were* seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are The Seven Spirits of God.

**The Seven Spirits of God named:*

Isaiah 11:1-3 (KJV) And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots:² And The Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, The Spirit of wisdom and understanding, The Spirit of counsel and might, The Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of The LORD;

1.) *Can you pick out the seven Spirits of The Lord in this verse?*

2.) *Who is the rod out of the stem of Jesse, a Branch that shall grow out of his roots, that The Spirit of The Lord shall rest upon? *Reference; Luke 4:18*

3.) *Do you think you have The Spirit of wisdom if you are participating in an addiction?*

**God is Spirit:*

John 4:24 (NKJV) ²⁴ God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.” Reference; Genesis 1:2

1.) *How do we worship The Lord in spirit and truth?*

2.) *When we are participating in addiction in truth, who are we really worshipping?*

2 Corinthians 3:17(NKJV) ¹⁷ Now the Lord is The Spirit; and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.

1.) *What is there liberty or freedom from with The Spirit of The Lord?*

**Godly Wisdom is given /acquired only by God:*

Proverbs 2:6(KJV) ⁶ For the LORD giveth wisdom: out of his mouth cometh knowledge and understanding.

1.) What are the 2 elements of wisdom listed in this verse?

**God`s promise to give wisdom to those who ask of Him:*

James 1:5 (NKJV) ⁵ If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him.

1.) What does this verse tell us to do if we lack wisdom?

2.) How does it say God will give wisdom to the one who asks for wisdom?

**God`s Wisdom concealed and revealed:*

Colossians 2:1-3(NKJV) For I want you to know what a great conflict I have for you and those in Laodicea, and *for* as many as have not seen my face in the flesh, ^{2a} that their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love, ^{*2b} and attaining to all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the knowledge of the mystery of God, both of the Father and of Christ, ³ in Whom are hidden all the treasures of Wisdom and knowledge.

**2b The mystery:*

Colossians 1:26-27(NKJV) ²⁶ Even the mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to his saints: ²⁷ To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery ^a among the Gentiles; ^b*which is Christ in you, the hope of glory:

1.) In vs.26; To whom has the mystery hidden from ages and generations made manifest?

2.) In vs.27a; Who else does it say God will be included in the riches of the glory of this mystery?

3.) In vs.27b; What is the mystery that has been hid from ages and from generations that is now made manifest to God`s saints?

**2b; The mystery; Ephesians 1:9-10(NKJV) ⁹ having made known to us the mystery of His will, according to His good pleasure which He purposed in Himself, ¹⁰ that in the dispensation of the fullness of the times God might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven and which are on earth in Him.*

1.) *In vs.10; What is the mystery of God`s will made known to us?*

2.) *What is the meaning of the “dispensation of the fullness of times”?*

Strongs concordance:3622. oikonomia; Stewardship, administration, management, A "dispensation" can also refer to a special period of time (management). But this is a secondary (not primary) meaning of 3622 (oikonomía).]

KJV Bible definition; "dispensation" (from Greek oikonomia) means a divine stewardship, administration, or a specific economy/plan God uses to manage His dealings with humanity during a certain period.

***The Seven Dispensations & Their Key Features:**

1.) **Innocence (Genesis 1:1-3:6):** Adam and Eve in Eden, with one command (don't eat from the Tree of Knowledge) and the consequence of sin and expulsion.

2.) **Conscience (Genesis 3:7-8:22):** From the Fall to the Flood, people governed by their own conscience, ending in God's judgment (the Flood).

3.) **Human Government (Genesis 8:15-11:9):** After the Flood, God grants humanity the authority to govern and use the death penalty, ending at Babel.

4.) **Promise/Patriarchal (Genesis 11:10-Exodus 19:1):** God's call to Abraham and His promises, focusing on faith in His covenant, leading through the patriarchs.

5.) **Law/Mosaic (Exodus 19:1-Acts 2:1):** Israel's time under the Mosaic Law given at Sinai, ending with Christ's death/resurrection.

6.) **Grace/Church Age (Acts 2:1-Revelation 20:3):** The current age of the Church, defined by faith in Jesus Christ, the indwelling Holy Spirit, and the promise of the Rapture.

7.) **Millennial Kingdom (Revelation 20:4-20:15):** Christ's literal 1,000-year reign on Earth, fulfilling promises to Israel, followed by final judgment.

**2b; The mystery; References;*

-Colossians 1:19-20(NKJV) ¹⁹ For it pleased The Father that in Jesus Christ all the fullness should dwell,²⁰ **and by Jesus Christ to reconcile all things to Himself(God) by Jesus Christ, whether things on earth or things in heaven, having made peace through the blood of His cross.**

**2b; The mystery; References;*

-Ephesians 2:14-16(NKJV) ^{14a} For Jesus Christ is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down ^bthe middle wall of separation, ^{15a} having abolished in His flesh the enmity, *that is*, the law of commandments *contained* in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man *from* the two, *thus* making peace, ¹⁶ and that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity.

1.) *In vs.14a; Who are those “both made one” referring to?*

2.) *In vs.14b; What is the middle wall of separation referring to?*

3.) *In vs.15a; What is the law of commandments in ordinances causing this enmity?*

-Covenant Origin- Genesis 12:2

-Moral law-exodus Chpt 20

-Civil law exodus Chpts 21-23

-Ceremonial law-Exodus Chpt 25- Leviticus

4.) *Who brought peace and unity between the two groups and how did He accomplish this?*

5.) *When you are participating in addiction are you putting up a wall of separation between you and God?*

6.) *Do you think you put yourself at enmity with God when your participating in addiction?*

7.) *Do you think your at peace with God when your participating in addiction?*

**We receive wisdom from God by being “in Christ Jesus”*

1 Corinthians 1:30(AMP) ^{30A} **But it is from God that you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God** [revealing His plan of salvation], and **^Brighteousness** [making us acceptable to God], **^Cand sanctification** [making us holy and setting us apart for God], **^Dand redemption** [providing our ransom from the penalty for sin], *References; Philippians 3:9, Ephesians 1:7, 1 Corinthians 6:11

1.) In vs. 30A; What is the wisdom from God given to us?

2.) In vs. 30B-30D; What are the 3 elements of God's wisdom?

Romans 16:25-26 (NKJV) ^{25a} **Now to Him that is of power to establish you ^baccording to my/The Gospel, and the preaching of Jesus Christ, ^caccording to the revelation of the mystery, which was kept secret since the world began,** ^{26a} **But now is made manifest and by the scriptures of the prophets, ^baccording to the commandment of the everlasting God, ^cmade known to all nations ^dfor the obedience of faith:**

1.) In vs. 25a; Who has the power to establish us?

2.) In vs. 25b; What resources does Paul name to back up this statement about The One Who is able to establish us?

3.) In vs. 25c; What does Paul claim is the origin of these resources?

4.) In vs. 26a; How does Paul say the origin of these resources is now manifest?

5.) In vs. 26b; Who commanded these things to be manifest?

6.) In vs. 26c; Who were these things made known to?

7.) In vs. 26d; For What purpose were these things manifest and made known to all nations?

*The subject of our commission; The wisdom of God

1 Corinthians 1:23-24(NKJV) ²³ but we preach Christ crucified, to the Jews a stumbling block and to the Greeks foolishness, ²⁴ **but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.**

** The subject of our commission and duty as a body of Christ: The wisdom of God*

Ephesians 3:9-11(NKJV) ^{9a} and **to make all see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the ages has been hidden in God, Who created all things through Jesus Christ;** ^{10a} to the intent that now the manifold wisdom of God might be made known by the church to the principalities and powers in the heavenly *places*, ¹¹ according to the eternal purpose which He accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord, *Reference; 1 Corinthians 2:6-8,*

1.) *In vs.9a; What is the fellowship of the mystery which was hidden in God from the beginning speaking of?*

2.) *In vs.10a; Who is intended to show the manifold wisdom of God to the principalities and powers in the heavenly places?*

3.) *In vs.11; In Whom was God`s eternal purpose in His manifold wisdom accomplished?*

Godly wisdom begins with the fear of The Lord:

Proverbs 9:10(NKJV) ^{10a} **“The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom,**
^b **And the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.**

1.) *According to vs.10a; What is the beginning of wisdom?*

2.) *In vs.10b; What is said to be understanding?*

3.) *If we are partaking in any form of addiction do we fear God?*

4.) *If we we are partaking in any form of addiction are we behaving wisely?*

5.) *Do you know and understand what you are doing when you are partaking in any form of addiction? *Reference James 4:17*

**The fear of The Lord instructs us of His wisdom:*

Proverbs 15:33(NKJV) ^{33a} **The fear of The LORD is the instruction of wisdom,**
^b**And before honor is humility.**

- 1.) *In vs.33a; What does this verse say the fear of The Lord is?*
- 2.) *What precedes honor?*
- 3.) *When we are participating in any form of addiction are we fearing The Lord?*
- 4.) *When we are participating in any form of addiction are honoring The Lord?*
- 5.) *When we are participating in any form of addiction are we humble before The Lord?*

**Our understanding of God`s wisdom is evident by willfully doing His commandments:*

Psalm 111:10(NKJV) ^{10a} **The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;**
^b**A good understanding have all those who do His commandments.**

**References; James 1:22-25, Romans 2:13, Matthew 7:24-27*

- 1.) *In vs.10b; Who does it say has a good understanding?*

James 3:13 (NKJV) ^{13a} **Who is wise and understanding among you?** ^b**Let him /her show by good conduct that his/her works are done in the meekness of wisdom.**

- 1.) *In vs.13a; Who is being addressed in this scripture?*
- 2.) *In vs.13b; What are the instructions given to the one who is wise and understanding?*
- 3.) *In vs.13b; What are the attributes of this wisdom listed in this verse?*
- 4.) *Do you think this instruction of wisdom is worldly or godly?*

James 3:14-16 (NKJV) ^{14a} But if you have bitter envy and self-seeking ^bin your hearts, ^c do not boast and lie against the truth. ^{15a} This wisdom does not descend from above, ^b but is earthly, sensual, demonic. ¹⁶ For where envy and self-seeking *exist*, confusion and every evil thing *are* there.

1.) In vs. 14a; What two things are being addressed in regards to the truth.

2.) In vs. 14b; Where do these things come from?

3.) In vs. 14c; If you possess these things in your heart what is the outcome?

4.) In vs. 15a; Where does it say this envy and self-seeking behavior that boasts and lies Against comes from?

5.) In vs 15b; What does it say this envy and self-seeking behavior that boasts and lies against the truth is? Reference: 1 Corinthians 3:3, 1 Corinthians 2:6-8

6.) In vs. 16; What else is said to be present where envy and self-seeking exists?
*Reference; 1 Corinthians 14:33

7.) When we are participating in any form of addiction are we self-seeking?

8.) Have you ever been so full of envy that it caused you to participate in some form of addiction?

9.) Have you ever experienced any confusion or evil thing when participating in any form of addiction?

James 3:17-18 (NKJV) ^{17a}But The Wisdom that is from above is ^bfirst pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy. ^{18a}Now the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace ^bby those who make peace.

1.) *In vs 17a; Who is the source of The Wisdom from above? Reference: *Proverb 2:6, Isaiah 11:2*

2.) *In verse 17b; What is the first attribute of The Wisdom that is from above? *Reference; Matthew 5:8*

3.) *What scripture verses come to mind about purity?*

4.) *What is The Wisdom from above pure in and from?*

**References; 1Corinthians2:6-7, Proverb 8:12-14, Job 28:28*

5.) *Do you think without the knowledge and understanding of the purity of The Wisdom that is from above you will produce the other attributes of The Wisdom from above?*

**Reference; *Proverb 4:7(KJV)*

6.) *In vs.18a; What are the fruits of righteousness sown in peace?*

7.) *In vs.18b; Whom does it say sows fruits of righteousness in peace?*

8.) *What scripture verses can we think of that speak about making peace?*

Summation;

Proverbs 21:30 (KJV) ³⁰ There is no wisdom nor understanding nor counsel against the LORD.

Job 28:20-28(NKJV) ²⁰ “From where then does wisdom come? And where *is* the place of understanding?²¹ It is hidden from the eyes of all living, And concealed from the birds of the air.²² Destruction and Death say, ‘We have heard a report about it with our ears.’²³ **God understands its way, And He knows its place.**²⁴ For He looks to the ends of the earth, *And* sees under the whole heavens,²⁵ To establish a weight for the wind, And apportion the waters by measure.²⁶ When He made a law for the rain, And a path for the thunderbolt,²⁷ Then He saw *wisdom* and declared it; He prepared it, indeed, He searched it out.²⁸ And to man He said, ‘Behold, the fear of the Lord, that *is* wisdom, And to depart from evil is understanding.

Proverbs 8:22-31 (KJV) ²² The LORD possessed me *wisdom* in the beginning of his way, before his works of old.²³ I was set up from everlasting, from the beginning, or ever the earth was.²⁴ When *there were* no depths, I was brought forth; when *there were* no fountains abounding with water.²⁵ Before the mountains were settled, before the hills was I brought forth:²⁶ while as yet he had not made the earth, nor the fields, nor the highest part of the dust of the world.²⁷ When he prepared the heavens, I *was* there: when he set a compass upon the face of the depth:²⁸ when he established the clouds above: when he strengthened the fountains of the deep:²⁹ when he gave to the sea his decree, that the waters should not pass his commandment: when he appointed the foundations of the earth:³⁰ then I was by him, *as* one brought up *with him*: and I was daily *his* delight, rejoicing always before him;³¹ rejoicing in the habitable part of his earth; and my delights *were* with the sons of men.