



CHOOSING YOUR FUTURE
The Way to a Wise Life – Part 2
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“For wisdom is more precious than rubies, and nothing you desire can compare with her” Proverbs 8:11 (NIV)

“If you are wise, your wisdom will reward you; if you are a mocker, you alone will suffer.”

Proverbs 9:12 (NIV)

1. SOLOMON: THE BENEFITS OF WISDOM

“My son, eat honey, for it is good, and the drippings of the honeycomb are sweet to your taste. Know that wisdom is such to your soul; if you find it, there will be a future, and your hope will not be cut off.”
Proverbs 24:13-14 (ESV)

“The one who gets wisdom loves life; the one who cherishes understanding will soon prosper.” Proverbs 19:8 (NIV)

“If you prize wisdom, she will make you great. Embrace her, and she will honor you.” Proverbs 4:8 (NLT)

“For by me your days will be multiplied, and years will be added to your life.” Proverbs 9:11 (ESV)

“A wise man is full of strength, and a man of knowledge enhances his might” Proverbs 24:5 (ESV)

“The wise will inherit honor” Proverbs 3:35 (ESV)

“The path of life leads upward for the prudent” Proverbs 15:24 (ESV)

“When you walk, your step will not be hampered, and if you run, you will not stumble.” Proverbs 4:12 (ESV)

“Get wisdom; get insight” Proverbs 4:5 (ESV)

2. HOW DO I LEARN TO BE WISE?

L - LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD EVERYDAY

"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge; fools despise wisdom and instruction." Proverbs 1:7 (ESV)

"For the Lord gives wisdom; from his mouth come knowledge and understanding" Proverbs 2:6 (ESV)

"A wise person is hungry for knowledge, while the fool feeds on trash." Proverbs 15:14 (NLT)

E – ENLIST FRIENDS WHO CHALLENGE ME

"Whoever walks with the wise becomes wise, but the companion of fools will suffer harm." Proverbs 13:20

"The way of a fool is right in his own eyes, but a wise man listens to advice." Proverbs 12:15 (ESV)

A – ASK QUESTIONS & ACCEPT CORRECTION

"An intelligent heart acquires knowledge, and the ear of the wise seeks knowledge." Proverbs 18:15 (ESV)

"Cease to hear instruction, my son, and you will stray from the words of knowledge" Proverbs 19:27

R – REMEMBER & REINFORCE WHAT I LEARN

"Incline your ear, and hear the words of the wise, and apply your heart to my knowledge, for it will be pleasant if you keep them within you, if all of them are ready on your lips" Proverbs 22:17-18 (ESV)

"Let (my words) not escape from your sight; keep them within your heart. For they are life to those who find them, and healing to all their flesh." Proverbs 4:21-22 (ESV)

N – NOW DO IT!

"But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like. But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing."

James 1:22-25 (ESV)