



"Triumphant In Christ, Victorious In Life"

NEW SERIES: "Wisdom & Divine Direction"

Sermon Connection Handout: **"Start"** – 1/6/2019

Proverbs 4:5 - 12 (NKJV) – *"⁵Get wisdom! Get understanding! Do not forget, nor turn away from the words of my mouth. ⁶Do not forsake her, and she will preserve you; Love her, and she will keep you. ⁷Wisdom is the principal thing; Therefore get wisdom. And in all your getting, get understanding. ⁸Exalt her, and she will promote you; She will bring you honor, when you embrace her. ⁹She will place on your head an ornament of grace; A crown of glory she will deliver to you." ¹⁰Hear, my son, and receive my sayings, And the years of your life will be many. ¹¹I have taught you in **the way of wisdom**; I have led you in right paths. ¹²When you walk, your steps will not be hindered, and when you run, you will not stumble."*

A FEW POWER POINTS ABOUT WISDOM AND DIVINE DIRECTION

- **Proverbs 3:5 – 8 (NKJV)** – *"⁵Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding;⁶In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths. ⁷Do not be wise in your own eyes; Fear the LORD and depart from evil. ⁸It will be health to your flesh, and strength to your bones."*
 - We are instructed to don't be _____ (think you know it all) in your own eyes and estimation. This is **EVIL** to think and act this way. **EVIL** things and thoughts take you away from your God-intended purpose and the plans He has for you.
 - Prayer is proof that you trust God; that you trust His plan! It is _____ to include the Lord and not exclude the Lord in your every day _____ and _____. Don't think you know how to do it, that you've been there and done that or I've been doing this a long time so I don't need any help.
- **Colossians 3:5 – 6 (NKJV)** – *"⁵Walk in wisdom toward those who are outside, redeeming the time. ⁶Let your speech always be with grace, seasoned with salt, that you may know how you ought to answer each one."*
 - We are to _____ in **WISDOM** towards those outside of the Body of Christ (the Church). To be _____ and **UNAWARE** of the Presence of God and the things of God around unbelievers is tantamount to _____.
 - This _____ in **WISDOM** when you are around people of the world and people who do not know Jesus as their Lord and Personal Savior, means you got to be _____ in what you _____ and how you verbally respond to questions when asked.
 - Remember we are told not to **SIN** with our mouths (**Psalms 39:1**) and not to fellowship (**SHARE** our **HEARTS**) with unbelievers (**2 Corinthians 6:14**).
BECAUSE SIN SEPERATES YOU FROM THE PRESENCE AND POWER OF GOD AND SHARING YOUR HEART WITH UNBELIEVERS CONTRIBUTES TO TURNING YOUR HEART AWAY FROM GOD – IT CORRUPTS AND CONTAMINATES YOU!
- **Ephesians 5:15 – 17 (NKJV)** – *"¹⁵See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise, ¹⁶redeeming the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷Therefore do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is."*
 - "Circumspectly" means purposefully, worthily, accurately in your daily _____ and _____ **-MAKING**.
 - We are told and instructed to not live _____ but **WISELY**. We are also to **NOT** be **UNWISE** (witless, ignorant or thoughtless) but be _____ of what the Lord **WANTS** and **WILLS** for you to DO.

- START!**

- Let's dial this thought and theme down to apply today. One word to answer the key questions at the beginning of this new year. The word is: _____
- The question is: In light of the New Year what must I **DECIDE** to _____...?
 - When will you DECIDE to _____ living your DECISIONS and not by your EMOTIONS?
- The **DECISIONS** you make this year every day this year should _____ with receiving DIVINE DIRECTION from God and His Word. What does the Word say or the Lord say about this?
- The _____ we make today determine the stories we tell and the success and victories we experience in our lives tomorrow.
 - If you truly want **WISDOM** and **DIVINE DIRECTION** from God, you have to _____ spending time with Him and in His Word.
 - If you're driven by the right _____, God will lead to the right _____.
 - If you're not ready to _____ facing opposition for your obedience to God, you're not ready to _____ being used by God.
- **Read Philippians 3:1 – 14 (KJV) - DECISIONS DETERMINE OUR _____, OUR CONDUCT AND OUR _____.**
- **Loss** = (Gr: *kemain* – liability); The Holy Spirit reveal a success secret to us through the life of Paul and shows us that Paul was WISELY and DIVINELY DIRECTED to DECIDE to _____ counting and compiling all things that would be become a LIABILITY to Him in *finding, following* and *fulfilling* the Will and Plan of God for his life.

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