

Are You Listening?

Proverbs – Part 1 Prov.1:1-7 & 8:1-11

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Proverbs 1:1-2 The proverbs of Solomon son of David, king of Israel: ² for gaining wisdom and instruction; for understanding words of insight.

Proverbs 8:1 Does not wisdom call out? Does not understanding raise her voice?

QUOTES from “BE Skillful Commentary”, By Warren W. Wiersbe:

“Dr. RoyZuck’s definition of Wisdom: “Wisdom means being skillful and successful in one’s relationships and responsibilities, observing and following the creators principles of order in the moral universe.” -Page 17

“There are at least 18 references to, “*the fear of the Lord*” in Proverbs if you read all these verses carefully you’ll get a good idea of what this important biblical phrase means.” (1:7,29; 2:5; 3:7; 8:13; 9:10; 10:27; 14:2, 26-27;15:6,13; 16:6; 19:23; 22:4; 23:17; 24:12; 31:30) -Page 24

“The greatest tragedy of life isn’t that people invade our privacy or get on our nerves, and help destroy our delicate hearing apparatus. The greatest tragedy is that there is so much noise out there that people can’t hear the things they really need to hear. God is trying to get through to them with the voice of wisdom, but all they hear are foolish voices that lead them further from the truth.” -Page 32

“Wisdom has better gifts to offer than perishable riches - blessings like prudence, knowledge, discretion, the fear of the Lord, humility, godly speech, wise counsel, understanding, guidance on life’s path, strength for the journey, and durable riches. A life that’s enriched by God may be poor in this world goods, but it’s rich and the things that matter most. It’s good to enjoy the things that money can buy, provided you don’t lose the things that money can’t buy. *What wisdom has to offer can’t be purchased, no matter how rich you are.*” -Page 37

1. Who are Listening to?

Think of some of the people and sources of information that directs your life?

We are surrounded with so many competing voices that claim to have the right answers about life. In the competition of ideas that shape your life, be sure that it is God’s voice that you are most tuned into!

2. You are a craftsman!

Don’t forget that you do have wisdom (practical skills)! The question is what are you doing with those skills, how are you using them to shape the world around you?

Resources:

“BE Skillful Commentary”, By Warren W. Wiersbe

Devotional: “God’s Wisdom for Navigation Life”, By Tim & Kathy Keller

Wisdom Series PODCAST from The Bible Project.

<https://bibleproject.com/podcast/series/wisdom-series/>

Wisdom Series VIDEO from The Bible Project.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Gab04dPs_uA

Biologos - Where is God in a Pandemic?

<https://biologos.org/podcast-episodes/tim-keller-francis-collins-where-is-god-in-a-pandemic>

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