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is
calling

Proverbs

8:1-11

Author (s)

King Solomon

1 Kings 4:32 - He composed 3,000 proverbs and 1,005 songs.

“The men of Hezekiah” (proverbs 25:1) where a group of scholars in the days of King Hezekiah (700 BC) who compiled the material recorded in chapters 25 through 29. Chapter 30 was authored by an unknown **man named Agur**

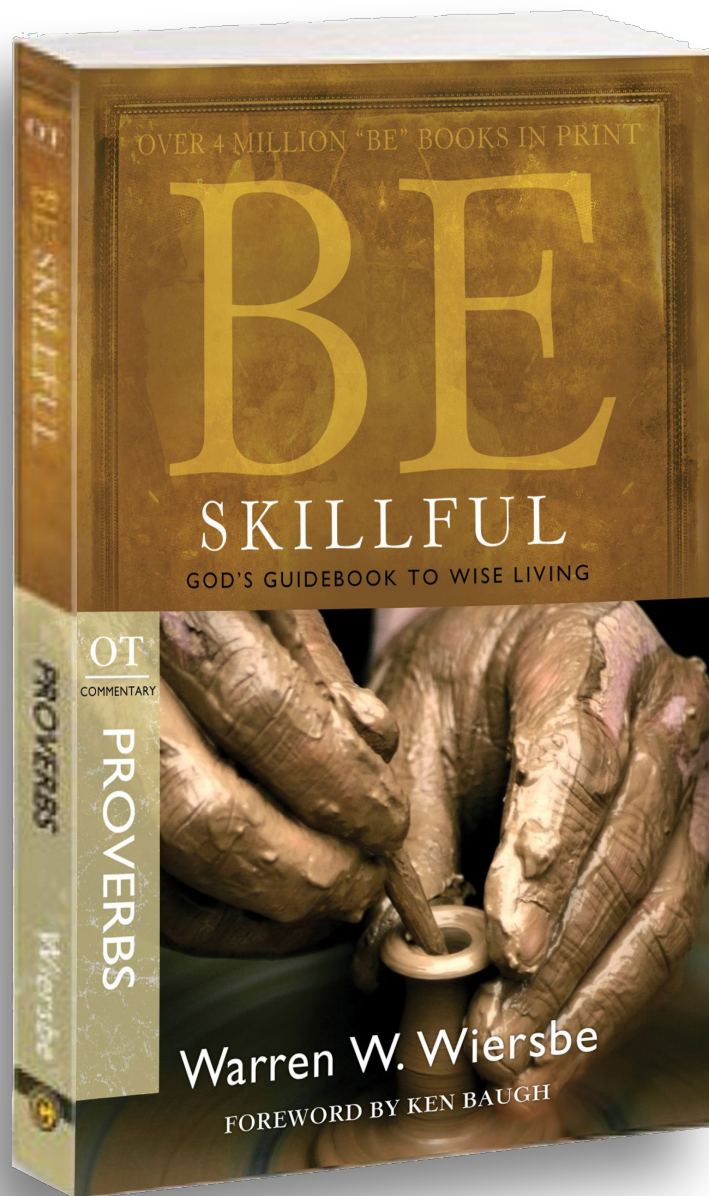
King Asks for Wisdom

1 Kings 3:5-10 At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon during the night in a dream, and God said, “Ask for whatever you want me to give you.”

⁶ Solomon answered, “You have shown great kindness to your servant, my father David, because he was faithful to you and righteous and upright in heart. You have continued this great kindness to him and have given him a son to sit on his throne this very day.

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⁷ “Now, Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David. But I am only a little child and do not know how to carry out my duties. ⁸ Your servant is here among the people you have chosen, a great people, too numerous to count or number. ⁹ So give your servant a discerning heart to govern your people and to distinguish between right and wrong. For who is able to govern this great people of yours?” ¹⁰ The Lord was pleased that Solomon had asked for this.



“Proverbs are brief and pictorial, they're easy to memorize, recall, and share.”

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Proverbs 8:1-11&35-36

What is Wisdom?

1 Perspective: It's seeing the world as God does.

2 Practical: It's beneficial when it's used well.

Who is it for Wisdom?

Why does having it matter?

Proverbs 8:1-11&35-36

Does not wisdom call out? Does not understanding raise her voice? ² At the highest point along the way, where the paths meet, she takes her stand; ³ beside the gate leading into the city, at the entrance, she cries aloud

Proverbs 8:1-11&35-36

⁴ "To you, O people, I call out; I raise my voice to all mankind. ⁵ You who are simple, gain prudence; you who are foolish, set your hearts on it. **Listen,** for I have trustworthy things to say; I open my lips to speak what is right. ⁷ My mouth speaks what is true, for my lips detest wickedness.

Proverbs 8:1-11&35-36

⁸ All the words of my mouth are just; none of them is crooked or perverse. ⁹ To the discerning all of them are right; they are upright to those who have found knowledge. ¹⁰ Choose my instruction instead of silver, knowledge rather than choice gold, ¹¹ for wisdom is more precious than rubies, & nothing you desire can compare with her.

Proverbs 8:1-11&35-36

³⁵ For those who find me find
life and receive favor from
the Lord. ³⁶ But those who fail
to find me harm themselves;
all who hate me love death.”

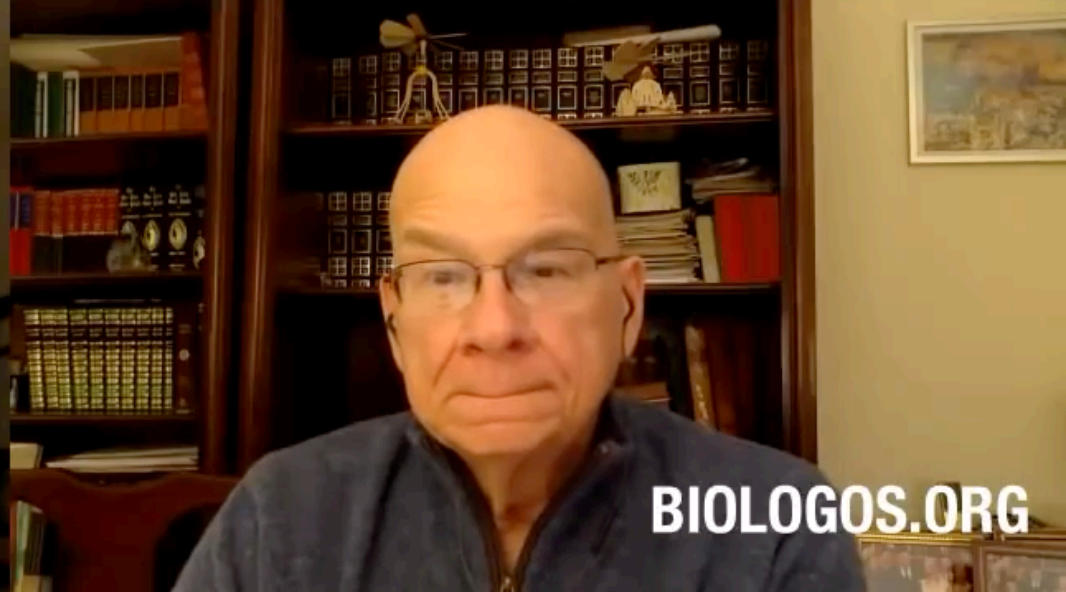
1 Who are you listening to?

We are surrounded with so many competing voices that claim to have the right answers about life (*like COVID-19 or about race relationships*). In the competition of ideas that shape your life, ***be sure that it is God's voice that you are most tuned into!***

You are a craftsman.

2

God had given you a unique set of gifts & talents. What are you using them for? We are all making something of the world that God has put us in. You can use those gifts for your own good or put them to work for God!



Where is God in the Pandemic?