

Wisdom: The Source of It

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I. Introduction.

- A. Text: Proverbs 9:10.
- B. The source of wisdom is the Bible - the Word of God.

II. What the Bible is.

- A. The Bible is a library of sixty-six books written over two thousand years.
- B. It is not an ordinary book because it contains the message of Jesus Christ - God's Son. (Hebrews 1:2)
- C. We accept the Bible as it is. It is virtually impossible to translate the Bible and propagate mistakes because it was translated so people would pick them up.
- D. The Devil's plan has been to complicate the Bible, not mistranslate it. (2 Corinthians 2:11, 11:3)
- E. The Bible is the special revelation of God's truth about God finding man.

III. What is unique about the Bible.

- A. It is God making a bid for man instead of man making a bid for man.
- B. Its heroes' faults are displayed.
- C. It has the all or nothing concept. There is only one way to God—Christ—but there are many ways to Christ. (John 14:6, Acts 4:12)
 - 1. The Spirit is with Jesus and when we die we can be with Jesus immediately in paradise.
 - 2. Jesus is the Word of God—the source of wisdom. (Revelation 19:13, John 6:63, Ephesians)

IV. After we become Christians we want to grow by the Word of God. (1 Peter)

- A. Growth starts with the thoughts. (Proverbs 23:7)
- B. Evil comes from the heart and must be dealt with. (Mark 7:21-23)
- C. We reap the fruit of our thoughts. (Jeremiah 6:19, Matthew 12:44, Psalm 12:6, Proverbs 30:5)
- D. You can tell if a Christian is maturing. (2 Corinthians 4:16, Proverbs 6:22-23)

V. The wisdom of sharing God's Word. (Mark 4:14, 1 Peter 4:11)

A. You have to speak the Word of God because people cannot read and will not read.

Application questions

1. Why is the Bible unique as a book in contrast to the works of other religions?

2. What does it mean that that the Bible has the "all or nothing concept?" Explain.

3. Memorize Jeremiah 6:19 and write it below. How does this verse help to illustrate the need of God's Word in our life?
