

CHAPEL

Wise Up

“Get wisdom! Get understanding! Do not turn aside from the words of my mouth! Do not abandon her, and she will protect you. Love her, and she will watch over you. Wisdom is supreme; therefore get wisdom. Though it cost all you have, get understanding.”

Proverbs 4:5-7

Wisdom: lit. “skilled living”

The Psalms tell us how to get along with God.

The Proverbs tell us how to get along with others.

“Do you see a man wise in his own eyes? There is more hope for a fool than for him.”

Proverbs 26:12

“Wisdom shouts in the streets. She cries out in the public square.”

Proverbs 1:20

Three categories of people who don’t need this series:

- the know-it-all
- the been-there-done-that
- the one-upper

“Fools think their own way is right, but the wise listen to others.”

Proverbs 12:15

Why do we need wisdom?

1. Because we don’t know what we don’t know

2. Because we can’t see what others can see

“Fools think their own way is right, but the wise listen to others.”

Proverbs 12:15

“In the abundance of counselors there is safety.”

Proverbs 11:14

“Wisdom is to see things through as many other eyes as possible.”

3. Because you don't see what you've always seen.

How do I get wisdom?

1. Embrace correction

"To learn, you must love discipline; it is stupid to hate correction."
Proverbs 12:1

"The instruction of the wise is like a life giving fountain."
Proverbs 13:14

"If you listen to constructive criticism, you will be at home among
the wise." Proverbs 15:31

Condemnation: wants to push you away and push you lower
Correction: pull you towards and push you higher

2. Stay curious

3. Fear the Lord

"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and knowledge of the
Holy One is understanding."
Proverbs 9:10