The Wisdom of Seeking God's Wisdom

I. The fruit of trusting in God's wisdom (Proverbs 3:5-7)

A. God "will bring health to your body and nourishment to your bones" (Prov. 3:8).
B. Overflowing wealth (Proverbs 3:9-10)
C. Less can mean more (Proverbs 3:11-15)
D. Long life, riches, and honor (Proverbs 3:16)
E. Pleasant and peaceful paths (Proverbs 3:17)
F. God knows how He created things. His wisdom is perfect (Proverbs 3:18-21).
G. Life and grace (Proverbs 3:22), safety (Proverbs 3:23), sweet sleep (Proverbs 3:24), no fear (Proverbs 3:25), protection (Proverbs 3:26)

II. Wisdom means to align the deepest part of our hearts with God's heart (e.g., David and Solomon).

A. Solomon's heart's desire was to honor God by putting God's plans for Israel first (II Chronicles 1:7-12).
B. David was a man after God's own heart (Acts 13:22).
   1. "You desire truth in the innermost being. And in the hidden part you will make me know wisdom" (Psalm 51:6 NASV).
   2. David understood that God was after a real relationship, not just religious duty (Psalm 51:10-12, 16, 17).

III. Jesus, Son of David, the very wisdom of God

A. Christ, the power of God and the wisdom of God (I Corinthians 1:18-25; 28-31)
   1. Jesus is our wisdom from God. He is "our righteousness, holiness, and redemption" (I Corinthians 1:30).
   2. Our redemption—"O death, where is your sting. O grave, where is your victory" (I Corinthians 15:55).
B. Human wisdom or God's power? What is God willing to release through our weakness and His power (I Corinthians 2:1-5)?
C. No human mind has perceived, and no demonic power has understood the things that God has prepared for those who have the wisdom to receive God's son (I Corinthians 2:6-10).

IV. What is in God's mind to freely give me (I Corinthians 2:11-12)?

A. The intercession of the Spirit of God (Romans 8:26-27)
B. The experiential love and protective covering of God. (Romans 8:28, 31-39)
C. The way of escape from every temptation and trial (I Corinthians 10:12-13)
D. Solomon puts God's wisdom first. Could the dramatic things he received also be in God's heart for us (II Chronicles 1:11-12)?
E. Jesus said to seek first His kingdom, and things would be added to us (Matthew 6:25-34).
F. God says wisdom is there for the asking (James 1:5-6; 3:13-17; Ps. 32:8-9).

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