

Proverbs: Lessons in Wisdom from Solomon  
Wisdom Is a Person  
Proverbs 1:1-7

People desperately want to win at life. They want to succeed in everyday life. They search frantically for tips from books, from “experts” on TV talk shows, or in magazines. Christians even get caught up in the hype, and very often, just like everyone else, they will look everywhere but to the Bible to learn how to “win” at parenting, finances, marriage, the workplace, and other areas of life.

1. Wisdom is \_\_\_\_\_
2. Wisdom is \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
3. Wisdom is knowledge of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
4. Wisdom is \_\_\_\_\_
5. Wisdom is \_\_\_\_\_

We obtain wisdom through a \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ trust in the Lord.

Wisdom isn't a concept or a set of ideas that we have to learn and apply in order to make our lives better. Wisdom is a person that we can know and love and enjoy a relationship with, and as we walk with this person called wisdom, as we watch Him and learn from Him, and model our lives after His, we become wise. As we listen to His voice we grow in wisdom.

#### Reflection

Why are we drawn to resources with “quick and easy steps to success?” Why do we approach Proverbs this way? Why does the Bible say that tips to a better life are not sufficient? How did the fall mess up our wisdom, and better yet, what has God done about it? What is the first step and the essential component in gaining wisdom? What, if anything, needs to happen in your life for you to access wisdom and grow in it?