

## The Jesus Trip, Dear Younger Self...

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#### Proverbs 1:1-7 One of the Wisdom Books with Ecc, and Job

*These are the proverbs of **Solomon**, David's son, king of Israel. Their **purpose** is to teach people wisdom and discipline, to help them understand the insights of the wise.*

*Their **purpose** is to teach people to live disciplined and successful lives, to help them do what is right, just, and fair.*

*These proverbs will give insight to the simple, knowledge and discernment to the young.*

*Let the wise listen to these proverbs and become even wiser.*

*Let those with understanding receive guidance by exploring the meaning in these proverbs and parables, the words of the wise and their riddles. **Fear of the Lord** is the foundation of true knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and discipline.*

#### 2 Chronicles 1:7-12

*On that night God appeared to Solomon, and said to him, "**Ask! What shall I give you?**"*

*8 And Solomon said to God: "You have shown great mercy to David my father and have made me king in his place. 9 Now, O Lord God, let Your promise to David my father be established, for You have made me king over a people like the dust of the earth in multitude. 10 Now give me wisdom and knowledge, that I may go out and come in before this people; for who can judge this great people of Yours?"*

*11 Then God said to Solomon: "Because this was in your heart, and you have not asked riches or wealth or honor or the life of your enemies, nor have you asked long life—but have asked wisdom and knowledge for yourself, that you may judge My people over whom I have made you king— 12 wisdom and knowledge are granted to you; and I will give you riches and wealth and honor, such as none of the kings have had who were before you, nor shall any after you have the like."*

**1 Kings 3:9** "Give me an **understanding heart** so that I can govern your people..."

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Solomon is saying that He wants to be led by the Lord's voice in everything he does. **That's the fear of the Lord!**

#### 2 Chronicles 9:1-4

*"Now when the queen of Sheba heard of the fame of Solomon, she came to Jerusalem to **test** Solomon with hard questions, having a very great retinue, camels that bore spices, gold in abundance, (9000 lbs) and precious stones; and when she came to Solomon, she spoke with him about all that was in her heart. 2 So Solomon answered all her questions; there was nothing so difficult for Solomon that he could not explain it to her. 3 And when the queen of **Sheba had seen the wisdom of Solomon**, the house that he had built, 4 the food on his table, the seating of his servants, the service of his waiters and their apparel, his cupbearers and their apparel, and **his entryway (upper room)** by which he went up to the house of the Lord, there was no more spirit in her."*

#### 2 Chronicles 9:22-23

*"So King Solomon surpassed all the kings of the earth in riches and wisdom. And all the kings of the earth sought the presence of Solomon to hear his wisdom, **which God had put in his heart.**"*

**Proverbs 22:13** "The lazy person claims, "There's a lion out there! If I go outside, I might be killed!"

**Proverbs 28:1** "The wicked run away when no one is chasing them..." **Why I quit jogging!**

**Proverbs 27:14** "A loud and cheerful greeting early in the morning will be taken as a curse!"

**Proverbs 11:22** "A beautiful woman who lacks discretion is like a gold ring in a pig's snout."

**Proverbs 16:28** “A perverse man sows strife, And a whisperer separates the best of friends.”

**Proverbs 26:16** “Lazy people consider themselves smarter than seven wise counselors.”

**Proverbs 18:22** “The man who finds a wife finds a treasure, and he receives favor from the Lord.”

**Proverbs 12:4 (NKJV)** “An excellent wife is the crown of her husband, But she who causes shame is like rottenness in his bones.”

**Proverbs 25:16** “Do you like honey? Don’t eat too much, or it will make you sick!”

Too much of a good thing can make you vomit.

**Proverbs teaches** “Fear of the Lord: **9:10** is the foundation of wisdom.” **10:27** lengthens one’s life.”

**14:27** is a life-giving fountain.” **15:33** teaches wisdom.” **19:23** leads to life.”

**22:4** “... lead to riches, honour, and long life.”

**Proverbs 8:1, 30-31, 35** “Listen as Wisdom calls out! ... I was the architect at his side. I was his constant delight rejoicing always in his presence. And how happy I was with the world he created; how I rejoiced with the human family! ... For whoever finds me finds life and receives favour from the Lord.”

Break Proverbs Into 2 Parts: 1. **Good News** Chapters 1-9 2. **Good Advice** Chapters 10-31

Proverbs invites all to live a successful life by receiving Wisdom. The indicative always precedes the imperative.

**1 Corinthians 1:30** “But of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God—and righteousness and sanctification and redemption...”

**1 Corinthians 2:16** “But we have the mind of Christ.”

**1 Corinthians 2:12-13** “Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might know the things that have been freely given to us by God. These things we also speak, not in words which man’s wisdom teaches but which the Holy Spirit teaches...”

**James 1:5** “If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.”

**James 3:17** “But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy.”

**Acts 1:8** “But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”