

# Waves of Wisdom

June 11

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## Seek Wisdom

### Introduction

#### 1. Wisdom's Invitation

<sup>20</sup> Wisdom cries aloud in the street, in the markets she raises her voice; <sup>21</sup> at the head of the noisy streets she cries out; at the entrance of the city gates she speaks: <sup>22</sup> "How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple? How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing and fools hate knowledge? <sup>23</sup> If you turn at my reproof, behold, I will pour out my spirit to you; I will make my words known to you." (Proverbs 1:20-23, ESV)

#### 2. Wisdom's Value

<sup>13</sup> Blessed is the one who finds wisdom, and the one who gets understanding, <sup>14</sup> for the gain from her is better than gain from silver and her profit better than gold. <sup>15</sup> She is more precious than jewels, and nothing you desire can compare with her. <sup>16</sup> Long life is in her right hand; in her left hand are riches and honor. <sup>17</sup> Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace. <sup>18</sup> She is a tree of life to those who lay hold of her; those who hold her fast are called blessed." (Proverbs 3:13-18, ESV)

(See also Proverbs 8)

### 3. Wisdom's Beginning

<sup>1</sup> The proverbs of Solomon, son of David, king of Israel: <sup>2</sup> To know wisdom and instruction, to understand words of insight, <sup>3</sup> to receive instruction in wise dealing, in righteousness, justice, and equity; <sup>4</sup> to give prudence to the simple, knowledge and discretion to the youth— <sup>5</sup> Let the wise hear and increase in learning, and the one who understands obtain guidance, <sup>6</sup> to understand a proverb and a saying, the words of the wise and their riddles. <sup>7</sup> The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge; fools despise wisdom and instruction.” (Proverbs 1:1-7, ESV)

<sup>30</sup> Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised.” (Proverbs 31:30, ESV)

<sup>10</sup> The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight.” (Proverbs 9:10, ESV)

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### Digging Deeper

#### This week's passages:

**June 12:** Proverbs 1:1-7

**June 13:** Proverbs 1:8-19

**June 14:** Proverbs 1:20-33

**June 15:** Proverbs 2:1-11

**June 16:** Proverbs 2:12-22

Each day this week you are invited to read the day's passage and then respond to the following questions. You might find it beneficial to use a journal or notebook to record insights.

1. **Read** the passage prayerfully, listening for the voice of God and asking him to speak to you.
2. **Record** or write down the word, phrase, or verse that God impresses upon you.
3. **Reflect** and write down what it is about this word, phrase or verse that is meaningful to you.
4. **Respond** by writing a prayer or recording what it is that you think the Lord wants you to do in response to his word (“*Be doers of the word and not hearers only*” James 1:22).