

**If I Only Had ...  
Wisdom**

## Psalm 119:96-104

**96 I have seen an end of all perfection: but thy commandment is exceeding broad.**

**97 O how love I thy law! it is my meditation all the day.**

**98 Thou through thy commandments hast made me wiser than mine enemies: for they are ever with me.**

**99 I have more understanding than all my teachers: for thy testimonies are my meditation.**

**100 I understand more than the ancients, because I keep thy precepts.**

## **Psalm 119:96-104 – continued**

**101 I have refrained my feet from every evil way, that I might keep thy word.**

**102 I have not departed from thy judgments: for thou hast taught me.**

**103 How sweet are thy words unto my taste! yea, sweeter than honey to my mouth!**

**104 Through thy precepts I get understanding: therefore I hate every false way.**

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## Ecclesiastes 1:12-18

**12 I the Preacher was king over Israel in Jerusalem.**

**13 And I gave my heart to seek and search out by wisdom concerning all things that are done under heaven: this sore travail hath God given to the sons of man to be exercised therewith.**

**14 I have seen all the works that are done under the sun; and, behold, all is vanity and vexation of spirit.**

**15 That which is crooked cannot be made straight: and that which is wanting cannot be numbered.**

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Ecclesiastes 1:12-18 – continued

**16 I communed with mine own heart, saying, Lo, I am come to great estate, and have gotten more wisdom than all they that have been before me in Jerusalem: yea, my heart had great experience of wisdom and knowledge.**

**17 And I gave my heart to know wisdom, and to know madness and folly: I perceived that this also is vexation of spirit.**

**18 For in much wisdom is much grief: and he that increaseth knowledge increaseth sorrow.**

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## **1 Kings 11:1-4**

**1 But king Solomon loved many strange women, together with the daughter of Pharaoh, women of the Moabites, Ammonites, Edomites, Zidonians, and Hittites:**

**2 Of the nations concerning which the Lord said unto the children of Israel, Ye shall not go in to them, neither shall they come in unto you: for surely they will turn away your heart after their gods: Solomon clave unto these in love.**

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## **1 Kings 11:1-4 - continued**

**3 And he had seven hundred wives, princesses, and three hundred concubines: and his wives turned away his heart.**

**4 For it came to pass, when Solomon was old, that his wives turned away his heart after other gods: and his heart was not perfect with the Lord his God, as was the heart of David his father.**

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**Ecclesiastes 12:13-14**

**13 Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man.**

**14 For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil.**

**Don't waste your life proving what is  
wrong is wrong**

## **James 3:13**

**Who is a wise man and endued with knowledge among you? let him shew out of a good conversation his works with meekness of wisdom.**

## **Romans 12:16**

**Be of the same mind one toward another. Mind not high things, but condescend to men of low estate. Be not wise in your own conceits.**

# **I. A Wise Man Will Not Go It Alone But Will Listen To Advice**

**Proverbs 1:5**

**A wise man will hear, and will increase learning; and a man of understanding shall attain unto wise counsels:**

## **II. A Wise Man Is Teachable**

**Proverbs 9:9**

**Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be yet wiser:  
teach a just man, and he will increase in learning.**

# **III. A Wise Man Can Be Corrected**

## **A. He will accept correction**

**Proverbs 9:8**

**Reprove not a scorner, lest he hate thee: rebuke a wise man, and he will love thee.**

## **B. He will follow correction**

**Proverbs 14:16**

**A wise man feareth, and departeth from evil: but the fool rageth, and is confident.**

**Proverbs 17:10**

**A reproof entereth more into a wise man than an hundred stripes into a fool.**

# **IV. A Wise Man Has Discretion**

**A. To resolve problems**

**Proverbs 16:14**

**The wrath of a king is as messengers of death: but a wise man will pacify it.**

**2 Corinthians 5:18**

**And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation;**

# **IV. A Wise Man Has Discretion**

## **B. To be victorious**

### **Proverbs 21:22**

**A wise man scaleth the city of the mighty, and casteth down the strength of the confidence thereof.**

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**C. To approach issues with humility**

**Proverbs 29:9**

**If a wise man contendeth with a foolish man, whether he rage or laugh, there is no rest.**

**Galatians 6:1-3**

**1 Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted.**

**2 Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ.**

**3 For if a man think himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceiveth himself.**

# **IV. A Wise Man Has Discretion**

**D. On when to speak**

**Proverbs 29:11**

**A fool uttereth all his mind: but a wise man keepeth it  
in till afterwards.**

# Conclusion

**Proverbs 24:5**

**A wise man is strong; yea, a man of knowledge increaseth strength.**

