

Wisdom's Gifts for Life and Godliness

God's Revolutionary Wisdom (Part 13)

Proverbs 2:5-11

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Introduction:

<p>⁵ Then indeed you will discern the fear of Yahweh, And knowledge of God you will find. ⁶ For it is Yahweh who gives wisdom; From His mouth, knowledge and insight; ⁷ He treasures up practical wisdom for the upright, A shield¹ for those who walk in integrity,</p>	<p>⁸ Guarding the paths of justice, And the way of His loyal² ones He keeps. ⁹ Then you will discern righteousness and justice, And uprightness³ — every good road. ¹⁰ For wisdom will enter your heart, And knowledge will be delightful to your soul; ¹¹ Planning skill will keep <i>watch</i> over you, Insight will guard you.</p>
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I. Saving _____ (vv. 5-8)

A. Essence (v. 5)

1. Assurance

2. Attainments

a. First

i. What it is: “the fear of Yahweh”

ii. What we’ll do: “discern”

Psalm 34:11

Psalm 86:11

Acts 9:31

2 Corinthians 7:1

b. Second

i. What it is: “knowledge of God”

(1) What’s the process?

(a) Where we all start: Romans 1:19–21

(b) What is held out before us: John 17:3

(c) What it depends on: Matthew 11:27

(d) What God says: Matthew 11:28; Proverbs 2:1-4

(2) What does it mean?

ii. What we’ll do: “find”

¹ Or “He is a shield”

² Or “godly,” “pious.”

³ Literally “straight things,” the idea being “straightness,” as opposed to being crooked.

B. Revelation (v. 6)

1. The *priority* of revelation

2. The *verbal nature* of revelation

John 14:21, 23, 24a
3. You say, “But what about ‘theology’?”

C. Protection (vv. 7-8)

1. God’s treasure (vv. 7a, 8a)
^{7a}He treasures up practical wisdom for the upright,
^{8a}... Guarding the paths of justice,
 - a. The parts

 - b. The whole

2. God’s shield (vv. 7b, 8b)
^{7b}A shield for those who walk in integrity,
^{8b}And the way of His loyal ones He keeps.
 - a. The parts

 - b. The whole

II. Saving _____ (vv. 9-11)**A. Essence (v. 9)****B. Transformation (v. 10)**

Romans 1:18
Romans 8:7

2 Cor. 3:18

C. Protection (v. 11)

1. The particulars

2. The package