

††† SERMON NOTES †††

Proverbs 2 – “HOW TO BUILD A FAMILY – AND MORE!”

“Son” here can be translated “child” or “youth”, and has with it the idea of building a family, or even a nation! Whoever you are, you can build into people’s lives.

I. LIFE SKILLS TO TEACH: - 2:1-4 “IF”

A. Teach them the Bible is the _____

B. Teach them the practicality of the Bible. This includes Scripture memory (Ps. 119:11), and “to hoard.”

C. Teach them how to hear _____!

D. Teach them to love God with mind, will, and emotions! The word “heart” means your mind (Don’t put your mind in neutral to be a Christ-follower.), will (obey), and emotions (It’s okay to “feel”!)

E. Teach them to _____!

F. Teach them to _____ the Word with diligence and consistency.

II. V. 5ff - THEN: GOD’S BLESSINGS WILL BE ON THEM

A. Understand the fear of the Lord– being able to apply God’s Truth to your daily life. It also has with the idea of “being able to _____”.

B. The knowledge of God – it comes from “yada” – the intimate knowledge of God.

C. v. 6 – “let me repeat: God gives wisdom (the ability to see life from God’s perspective); knowledge (intimate knowledge of God) and understanding (ability to apply wisdom to your daily life.)”

D. v. 7 – God will be your “_____.”

E. God will protect us – v. 7b, 8

1) Shield

2) Guard your course – the well-trodden roads – _____

3) Protects your “way” – course of life

F. We will have understanding. V. 9

1) Right – (KJV – Righteousness) – right standing with God and others

2) Just – (KJV – Judgment) – ability to come to a proper understanding of things; to make good decisions

3) Fair – (KJV – Equity) – fairness and justice

III. GOD WILL PROTECT THEM – V. 10 ff

- A. _____ will enter your heart - a permanent dwelling place!
- B. _____ will be pleasant to your soul
- C. Discretion will _____ you - The capacity for well-considered action. God will give you wise plans!
- D. Understanding will guard you. God will give you the capacity to make the _____.

The ability to apply God's wisdom to your life will guard you

1) from wicked men

2) from immoral women

IV. THERE ARE ONLY TWO WAYS OF LIFE v. 20-22

CONCL. Ask God to lead someone to you that you can mentor in the ways of God's wisdom.

