

The welcome verse for this week is Romans 11:33, “Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!”

Something to Desire

2 Chronicles 1:7-13; Proverbs 2; James 3:17-18

The Bottom Line: Wisdom is the hidden treasure.

Introduction:

The Scriptures say there is a treasure to be found that is worth more than silver.

Better than that, it’s yours if you want it. You have to pursue it, but when you do, everything in your life will change.

What is the “hidden treasure” I am describing? *Wisdom.*

Tension:

How many times have you come up on a problem or a decision in life and wished you knew how to move forward?

There are two reasons we often don’t pursue wisdom:

1. Foolery is fun.
2. Other goals seem more interesting.

Truth:

We often read the Proverbs of Scripture and think, “Wow, that’s so true and helpful for my life!”

Have you ever wondered how Solomon gained so much wisdom? *He asked for it.*

Read 2 Chronicles 1:7-13.

Solomon pens the book of Proverbs with a little help at the end of the book. Let’s read what he says about those who choose to pursue wisdom. **Read Proverbs 2.**

There are very few things God does or gives that are dependent on us. God's wisdom is offered to us, but there is a big "if." We must pursue it to find it.

Wisdom comes from the mouth of God. Be not wise in your own eyes.

Do you keep finding yourself at the wrong place at the wrong time? Are you continuously being tempted to walk down that same path? **Discretion will watch over you, understanding will guard you.**

The wise will inherit the land.

What is wisdom? What isn't wisdom? James describes godly wisdom in **James 3:17-18.**

Application & Conclusion:

How could our life be different if we pursued wisdom like hidden treasure? James 1:5 says God grants wisdom *generously* to those who ask for it. Pray for wisdom every day. Read the Proverbs of Solomon every day. Ask for God's insight in every decision.

Next Steps:

- Memorize James 3:17-18.
- Pray for godly wisdom each day.
- Seek out wise counselors to help you in your decisions this week.