



## Sermon Discussion Questions

“The Intentional Pursuit of Wisdom” (Proverbs 1:8-3:35) – September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025

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### Sermon Overview

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#### Main Idea

**You cannot live well without wisdom—so do everything you can to choose it, seek it, and keep it.**

There is a clear progression in these first three chapters: choose wisdom, then seek it, and then keep it. We choose it by having a listening posture, we seek it with an active pursuit, and we keep it with intentional cultivation.

#### Sermon Outline

1. Listening Posture: The Urgency of Choosing Wisdom (1:8-33)
2. Active Pursuit: The Promise of Seeking Wisdom (2:1-22)
3. Intentional Cultivation: The Life of Keeping Wisdom (3:1-35)

#### Quotation(s)

“We pay thousands of dollars and spend hundreds of hours to take classes on economics and psychology and history in college. Why, then, would we walk into marriage unprepared? Buy scripture saturated books, read them, give yourself to them. Study the key biblical texts on marriage. Figure out how to do this well.” – Dave Newton, regarding marriage counseling

### Discussion Questions

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#### Initial Engagement

- What is the main idea of the text, or what did the sermon focus on?
- What insight from the text or sermon stood out to you most, and why?

#### Deeper Reflection

1. Drew said, “Parents are the primary disciplers of their children. You cannot outsource this.” What ways have we tried outsourcing this as a church/society? What has been the outcome? What are some practical ways that you have disciplined or been disciplined?
2. Read the quote above. Those that have been through premarital counseling, share what that looked like for you. If you were forced to lead marriage counseling for a couple, what would it look like? Stealing the question from the sermon... what is one piece of marriage wisdom and one book you would suggest?
3. “Sin is not only evil, but foolish. Most foolishness is also sin. But ALL sin is foolishness.” What do you think about that quote? If we view most foolishness as sin, does that affect our daily



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actions, thoughts, time, energy? Do you see yourself in a season of drifting into foolishness or actively pursuing wisdom?

4. "When we live with wisdom, our emotions and bodies are refreshed. When we live in our own wisdom, our emotions and bodies wither." What are some ways we can ensure we are living refreshed in God's wisdom? What does it mean to not just be open to wisdom, but to be actively seeking and keeping wisdom?

### Final Response

- What is one thing you want to remember or one way you hope to change in light of this sermon or discussion?