The Blessing of Wisdom (Proverbs 1:5-22 – Part II)

I. Diligently and Earnestly Pursue Wisdom

- A. "If" You Will Incline your Ear and Receive Wisdom (2:1,2)
 - Receive my word
 - > Treasure my commands
 - ➤ Incline your ear and apply your heart
- B. "If" You Earnestly Seek and Search for Wisdom (vv. 3,4)
 - > Cry out for discernment, lift up your voice for understanding
 - > Seek for her as silver, search for her as for hidden treasure

II. Wisdom Will Be a Blessing to You in Many Ways (vv. 5–22)

- A. Your Knowledge of God will be Personal & Real (vv 5–8)
 - ➤ Wisdom's knowledge is intimate & personal: "understand"
 - ➤ The Lord gives, stores up wisdom & is a shield for the upright
 - > "Then" you will understand, righteousness, equity & justice
- B. Wisdom's Knowledge Will Truly Transform Your Life (vv 9-11)
- When wisdom enters your heart (v10a)
- You will be a changed person: discerning right from wrong (v10b)
- You will make decisions that are wise and just (v.10c)
- C. Wisdom's Knowledge Will Deliver from Dangerous People (vv12-15)
 - To deliver from the way of evil, from one who speaks perverse things
 - Those who leave paths of righteousness, walking in darkness
 - Rejoicing in evil, delighting in the perversity of wickedness
 - ➤ Whose ways are crooked & whose ways are devious