

The Wise Heart: Solomon

“Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding.” (Prov. 4:7)

I. What Wisdom Is

A. The Primary Characteristic of Wisdom

The primary characteristic God’s Word reveals about a wise person is this- she will hear and receive instruction. (Biblical principle “Hear & Do!”)

B. The Definition of Heavenly Wisdom

Heavenly Wisdom can be illustrated by the wisdom “triangle” (knowledge – understanding – wisdom). We learn about God in His Word. We know Who God is and what He wants from us. We judge the choices and actions we make in life through the filter of “the fear of the Lord.” The application of that knowledge and understanding is Heavenly Wisdom.

II. Our Need For Wisdom

The study of Solomon provides great parallels for us as children of God. Just like this great king of Israel, we need wisdom desperately. “If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him.” - James 1:5

*Observations from the life of Solomon

• Two Things About Solomon

His _____ – 2 Sam. 12:24

His _____ – 1 Ki. 10:23-24

• _____ Exalts Himself – 1 Ki. 1:5-7

• God _____ Solomon – 1 Ki. 1:29-30, 33-35

• _____ to Solomon – 1 Ki. 2:6, 9

• Solomon’s _____ Established – 1 Ki. 2:12, 46

• Solomon Handles Matters _____ – 1 Ki. 2:12-46

• Solomon Makes a _____ Choice – 1 Ki. 3:1

• The Lord _____ to Solomon – 1 Ki. 3:5-10

Solomon’s _____

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• God _____ Solomon - 1 Ki. 3:11-14

• Solomon’s Wisdom _____ – 1 Ki. 3:16, 23-28

• Solomon’s _____ and _____ – 1 Ki. 4 & 5

• Solomon Builds the _____ – 1 Ki. 6

• Solomon Keeps _____ – 1 Ki. 7

• Solomon _____ the Temple – 1 Ki. 8

• God Appears to Solomon _____ – 1 Ki. 9:1-9

• Solomon and the _____ of _____ – 1 Ki. 10:7-9

• Solomon’s Heart _____ – 1 Ki. 11:1-9

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III. Our Obedience to Wisdom

*Solomon’s life reminds us that wisdom is only useful when it is **applied**.*