

## *The Foundation of Wisdom: Proverbs 1:1-7*

1. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge.” A.W. Tozer said, “What comes into our minds when we think about God is the most important thing about us.” What do I think about God? What characteristics would I use to describe Him? How should this knowledge of God affect the way that I look at life? (For instance, if I know that God is all-wise, how should that affect my thinking when God permits something into my life that I don’t like or don’t understand?)

2. Proverbs 1:5 says that the wise will hear and keep on learning. Even if I fear the Lord and have learned of Him, have I grown content with my knowledge of God and His Word? No matter how much I have learned and grown in the Christian life already, how can I live wisely by continuing to increase in my knowledge of God?

3. Biblical wisdom teaches us how to live our lives today in preparation for eternity. If we are to live wisely, we cannot focus only on the things of today. We must have a long view of life and look ahead to what God has promised in eternity. How can passages such as Job 19:25-26; Psalm 16:8-11; Ecclesiastes 8:10-13; Luke 9:23-25; 2 Corinthians 4:16-18; and Colossians 3:1-2 help me develop an eternal perspective and live today in light of eternity?