

Finding Wisdom and Satisfaction in God

Proverbs 30:1-9

1. Read Job 38-42. What does the wisdom of God in creation teach me about trusting God's wisdom in my own life? When is it hard for me to keep trusting God's wisdom instead of my own wisdom?

2. Read Psalm 18. Proverbs 30:5 says that God is a shield to all who take refuge in Him. What does it mean to take refuge in God? In what situations of life can I see His protection most clearly? How can I follow David's response to God's protection (Psalm 18:1, 3, 46, 49)?

3. In Proverbs 30:8-9, Agur prayed that God would provide his needs in such a way that he would remain satisfied and content in God. Where do I seek satisfaction apart from God? How can Paul's teaching in Philippians 4:11-13 help me be content whether God has given me a lot or a little? No matter how much I have in life, how can God's provision for me point me to trust in Him instead of trust in the things that He has provided?

4. Proverbs 30:5 declares that every word of God is true, but Proverbs 30:6 warns that we can be wrong when we add to God's Word. In what ways can I be tempted to add to God's Word? What are some common things I might hear that "God said" or "God promised," but the Bible does not actually say God said or promised those things (for example, Philippians 4:13 is often cited to say Christ will help us do all sorts of different things, but the actual context of Philippians 4 is talking about Christ helping us be content in all circumstances)?