

The Wisest of Women . . . (Proverbs 14:1)

- 1. Moral Strength (2 Timothy 1:7)
- 2. Patience Discernment (Proverbs 14:8a)
- 3. Persistence (Proverbs 24:16a; 2 Thess. 3:13)
- Influence (2 Timothy 1:5)(Household and Community)

The Way of Wisdom (Proverbs 9:1-6)

- 1. Complete (Perfect): Seven Pillars (1)
 See James 3:17
- 2. Profitable: Marvelous Feast (2-3)
 meat and wine represent the good teaching of
 wisdom that will be palatable and profitable
 (See Isaiah 55:1-2)
- 3. Life-Changing (4-6)
 - A. Call: Abandon Simple Ways (Proverbs 10:17)
 - B. Blessing: Live the Abundant Life(See Proverbs 24:3-4; Ecclesiastes 8:1)
 - C. Passion: Pursue Understanding (James 1:5)

THE WOMAN OF WISDOM

Proverbs 14:1: The wisest of women builds her house, . . .

2 Timothy 1:7: For God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control.

Proverbs 14:8a: The wisdom of the prudent is to discern his way

Proverbs 24:16a: For the righteous falls 7 times and rises again

2 Thessalonians 3:13 . . . do not grow weary in doing good.

2 Timothy 1:5: I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in you as well.

THE WAY OF WISDOM

Proverbs 9:1-6: Wisdom has built her house; she has hewn her seven pillars.² She has slaughtered her beasts; she has mixed her wine; she has also set her table.³ She has sent out her young women to call from the highest places in the town, ⁴ "Whoever is simple, let him turn in here!"To him who lacks sense she says, ⁵ "Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed.⁶ Leave your simple ways, and live, and walk in the way of insight."

James 3:17: But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere.

Isaiah 55:1-2: "Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.² Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food.

Proverbs 10:17: Whoever heeds instruction is on the path to life, but he who rejects reproof leads others astray.

Proverbs 24:3-4: By wisdom a house is built, and by understanding it is established; by knowledge the rooms are filled with all precious and pleasant riches.

Ecclesiastes 8:1: Who is like the wise? And who knows the interpretation of a thing? A man's wisdom makes his face shine, and the hardness of his face is changed.

James 1:5: If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him.

Discussion Questions:

- 1. Read James 3:17. What are the attributes of wisdom that comes from above? Is there one area of wisdom on the list you desire to see growth? Discuss.
- 2. Read Proverbs 10:17. What blessing is available when we "heed instruction" from a person with Spiritual wisdom and maturity? What happens when we reject it? Have you ever had a godly person speak wisdom into your life? Did you "heed" their advice? Discuss the outcome of your decision.
- 3. Pray that God will give you wisdom where you need it (see the first list for ideas on what to pray for).
- 4. Pray a prayer of gratitude thanking God for the impact you mom is making (or made) in your life.