



WISDOM IS THE PRINCIPLE THING FOR 2019

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A. Psalm 61:1-2

Hear my cry, O God; attend unto my prayer. From the end of the earth will I cry unto thee, when my heart is overwhelmed: lead me to the rock that is higher than I.

1. Life can get complicated.
2. There are many decisions we face.
 - a. “What do I do about this?”
 - b. “How do I handle that?”
 - c. “Should I go here or go there?”
3. Whenever issues begin to pile up and pressure starts building, we should immediately think about this scripture.
4. When our hearts are overwhelmed, we need to reach for a higher vantage place to get a better perspective.
5. The wisdom of God is the rock we stand on in challenging times.

B. Proverbs 4:5-13 Wisdom is the Principle Thing for 2019

1. Verse 7 Principle Thing—First in importance and number one priority.
2. Verse 7 (NLT) Getting wisdom is the wisest thing you can do!
3. Verse 7 (TPT) Wisdom is the most valuable commodity—so buy it!
Revelation knowledge is what you need—so invest in it!
4. Verse 8 (Septuagint) Build a fort for wisdom and she will lift you high.
5. Wisdom sees every issue from God’s perspective.
 - a. Wisdom is God’s answer to all we face.
 - b. Wisdom will unravel and untangle whatever mess we’ve gotten ourselves into.

C. Colossians 1:9 Be Filled with His Wisdom

1. Verse 9 (KJV) For this cause we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding.
2. Verse 9 (AMPC) ...that you may be filled with the full (deep and clear) knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom [in comprehensive insight into the ways and purposes of God]...
3. Proverbs 2:6-7 For the Lord giveth wisdom: out of his mouth cometh knowledge and understanding. He layeth up sound wisdom for the righteous...
 - a. The wisdom is there waiting for us.
 - b. All we have to do is reach out and take it by faith.
4. Strike the phrase, "I don't know what to do" from your vocabulary.
5. Instead, begin to confess;
 - a. "I believe I receive the perfect wisdom of God."
 - b. "By faith, I know exactly what to do."

D. James 1:2-8 The Wisdom of God will reveal "The Key Issue"

1. Oral Roberts once told Brother Copeland, "When a ministry is facing a financial blockade, you must go before the Lord and locate, 'The Key Issue.' That key—or the wisdom of God—will unlock the door and get the finances flowing again."
2. Many years ago, Brother Copeland was experiencing joint pain.
 - a. He asked the Lord, "What is 'The Key Issue' to this?"
 - b. The Lord told him to quit drinking coffee.
 - c. He was drinking 16 cups a day.
 - d. The joint pain immediately stopped.
3. Commit one to three days to pray about nothing else except God's wisdom concerning the issue that is causing the greatest amount of pressure.
4. Pray out the plan in tongues.
 - a. God's wisdom comes out of the spirit.
 - b. Praying in tongues is dipping the bucket down into the well of wisdom and knowledge.
 - c. 1 Corinthians 14:2 In the spirit, he speaks mysteries, divine secrets, secret truths and hidden things not obvious to the understanding (The Key Issue).
 - d. Say, "I believe I receive the perfect wisdom of God. By faith, I know exactly what to do."
5. Pray until you know what to do.
 - a. Don't make a move until you get wisdom.
 - b. Don't let deadlines get you out of faith into worry.
 - c. The answer will come.
 - d. It will look like the easiest thing you have ever done.

E. Our Confession for the Wisdom of God

1. According to Colossians 1:9, I am filled with the full (deep and clear) knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom [in comprehensive insight into the ways and purposes of God].
2. According to Isaiah 11:2, The spirit of the Lord rests upon me, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord.
3. According to 1 Corinthians 1:30, Jesus has been made unto me wisdom, righteousness, sanctification, and redemption.
4. According to Proverbs 2:6-7, The Lord gives me wisdom. Out of His mouth comes knowledge and understanding. He lays up sound wisdom for the righteous:... God has laid up sound wisdom for me.
5. According to Ephesians 1:17, God has granted me a spirit of wisdom and revelation [of insight into mysteries and secrets] in the [deep and intimate] knowledge of Him.
6. I believe I receive the perfect wisdom of God.
7. By faith, I know exactly what to do.