

OT Unit: Walking in Wisdom, Lesson 5

D6 Family Theme:

WISDOM IN DAILY LIVING

Objectives:**Know:** Proverbs gives wisdom needed for successful life and relationships.**Think:** Consider applying God's wisdom to be the key to successful daily life.**Do:** Apply the wisdom of Proverbs to my work, my speech, my money, and my emotions.**READ: LISTEN TO GOD**

Read Proverbs 10:4-5; 21:23; 23:4-5; 14:29. Few places in Scripture are more concrete than Proverbs! These texts address real life: how diligently we work; how carefully we talk or act toward others; how wisely we behave with material wealth; how well we control anger. Even unreligious people can understand the wisdom and importance of such behavior.

**PRAY: TALK TO GOD**

Choose your words carefully, seeking to build people up rather than tear them down. Pray that you and your family will be conscious of the way others are treated and will encourage others to do the same.

**DO: WALK WITH GOD**

OPTION 1: When going through your day, how often do you take the time to think about the mundane choices you are making? Proverbs tells us how important it is to use wisdom even in our day-to-day choices. As Christians, we should work hard, choose our words carefully, have good stewardship of our money, and control our emotions. Make a chore list with your child, but instead of chores, have him list the ways in which he can display wisdom in his life. The Bible is full of the characteristics we should have as Christ followers. You can help him add to the four that are already listed by going through other passages in the Bible.

OPTION 2: How often do we encounter laziness? How have we seen it in life? What are some of the most striking examples your family can bring up? How do they generally view lazy people? What are some "lesser-thought-about areas of laziness" that we should pay attention to?



PRE-SCHOOL

Today your child learned wise men discovered a new star in the sky and knew it was a message that Jesus had been born. The wise men followed the star to where God's Son was, and they brought Jesus gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. **Jesus Is God's Son** and we can worship Him.



K & 1
GRADE



2 & 3
GRADE



4 & 5
GRADE

Today your student learned that although Solomon began his leadership with wisdom, he did not end with it. At some point he quit guarding his heart and he allowed other things to come before his devotion to God. Solomon made choices that took his focus off of God. Your student was reminded of the importance of daily seeking God's wisdom to make wise choices in his or her life.



YOUNG
TEEN



HIGH
SCHOOL

Your teenagers looked at four important themes in the book of Proverbs today. A good attitude toward work, words, self-control, and money are indicators of godly wisdom. Ask your teen to rank these four areas from easiest to hardest in his or her personal success. Establishing good habits as a young person can lead to victory later. Have your teen suggest one good habit in each area (such as saving 10% of what she earns or saying the fruit of the Spirit before blurting out an angry response). Would this be a good habit for you too? What steps can you take to work together on establishing a new habit?



YOUNG
ADULT

The group members studied how wisdom should influence our daily lives and were challenged to apply the wisdom of Proverbs to work, speech, money, and emotions.



ADULT

FUSION groups examined how Proverbs gives wisdom needed for successful life and relationships. Members were encouraged to apply the wisdom of Proverbs to their work, their speech, their money, and their emotions.