How to Live Wisely

Proverbs 1–9

Wisdom is a skill—the relational skill of pleasing God in every facet of life.

""[The writings in the Bible] include[e] way too many embarrassing details, including things that make the heroes of the story look, well, less than heroic. If you're trying to pull off a hoax to make your religion attractive, why would you keep pointing out how your leaders were as dense as rocks?"

— Greg Gilbert, Why Trust the Bible

Scripture Reading PROVERBS 2

THE MAIN POINT OF PROVERBS 2

If you want wisdom, you must passionately pursue biblical counsel. You must value it, cry for it, and hunt for it.

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- 3. Do you cry for wisdom?

Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee. Take my moments and my days; let them flow in endless praise.

Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold. Take my intellect and use every power as thou shalt choose.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store. Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

FRANCIS RIDLEY HAVERGAL (1836–1879)

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"[The] heroic sacrifices and long-enduring toil of California gold diggers...is the standard by which the Lord stimulates us now, and will measure us yet."

WILLIAM ARNOT