

GOOD VIBES ONLY

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Big Idea:

Embracing a pro-verbs life is crucial to living a fulfilled life.

Key Scripture:

Proverbs 1:1-7; 3:1-2, 12; 4:10; 5:6; 8:33; 12:10; 16:16; 23:23; 29:19

Matthew 10:39, 42

Mark 3:14

Galatians 4:7

1. In what areas of your life is activity, in terms of intentionality and purpose, clear and obvious?
2. In what areas of your life is sitting back and letting life happen clear and obvious?
3. In Mark 3:14 we read that Jesus called the Twelve close to Him before sending them out. Clearly, closeness drives purposeful living. Considering this message, what steps do you need to take to live 'closer' to Jesus for your life to be divinely purposeful?
4. As you look at the seven verbs of Proverbs 1 – gain, understand, receive, do (righteous deeds), listen, add to, and get—which of these come easiest to you? Which of these requires more intentionality on your part?
5. Read Proverbs 29:19 alongside Galatians 4:7 but also 1 Timothy 6:1-2 and John 15:14-15. Can you think of a time when you held a view—either of yourself or a situation you were facing – that made you feel defeated or overwhelmed? How easy is it for you to change your perspective when feeling overwhelmed?
6. Look at Proverbs 8:33. No one likes receiving correction, but it is essential to growth. How open are you to receiving critique and redirection? If you find such 'feedback' helpful, what helps you receive it well? What advice would you offer to someone who struggles with being corrected? If you struggle with it, why do you think that is? How can you take a step in the direction of being able to receive correction?
7. In Proverbs, 'getting wisdom' is often compared to a person who is motivated to 'get wealth'. What would it look like for you to seek wisdom in the way you seek wealth? In what ways, if any, would your spiritual life need to change. What makes such changes difficult for you?
8. The first seven verses of Proverbs picture and intentional commitment to living life wisely. People generally fall into one of three groups:
 - i. those who make things happen
 - ii. those who watch things happen
 - iii. those who have absolutely no idea of what is happening.

Spiritually speaking, which of these three best defines where you are right now?