

FOUNDATION OF WISDOM

THE DEFINITION

Ephesians 5:15 So be careful how you live. Don't live like fools, but like those who are wise.

1 Corinthians 3:18 For the wisdom of this world is foolishness to God.

WISDOM IS ROOTED IN THE _____

Psalms 111:10 Fear of the LORD is the foundation of true wisdom.

GOD IS NOT _____ HE IS _____

Isaiah 64:1 Oh, that you would burst from the heavens and come down! How the mountains would quake in your presence! ²As fire causes wood to burn and water to boil, your coming would make the nations tremble.

THE RESPONSE

WE SHOULD _____ BEING _____ GOD

Isaiah 47:10 You felt secure in your wickedness. "No one sees me," you said. But your "wisdom" and "knowledge" have led you astray, and you said, "I am the only one, and there is no other."

Proverbs 3:7 Don't be impressed with your own wisdom. Instead, fear the Lord and turn away from evil.

WISDOM PRODUCES _____

James 3:13 If you are wise and understand God's ways, prove it by living an honorable life, doing good works with the humility that comes from wisdom.

WISDOM IS _____ BY HOW WE _____

ARE YOU _____?

FURTHER STUDY

James 3:13 If you are wise and understand God's ways, prove it by living an honorable life, doing good works with the humility that comes from wisdom. ¹⁴But if you are bitterly jealous and there is selfish ambition in your heart, don't cover up the truth with boasting and lying. ¹⁵For jealousy and selfishness are not God's kind of wisdom. Such things are earthly, unspiritual, and demonic. ¹⁶For wherever there is jealousy and selfish ambition, there you will find disorder and evil of every kind.

¹⁷But the wisdom from above is first of all pure. It is also peace loving, gentle at all times, and willing to yield to others. It is full of mercy and the fruit of good deeds. It shows no favoritism and is always sincere.

¹⁸And those who are peacemakers will plant seeds of peace and reap a harvest of righteousness.

Proverbs 26:12 There is more hope for fools than for people who think they are wise.

Romans 1:19 They know the truth about God because he has made it obvious to them. ²⁰For ever since the world was created, people have seen the earth and sky. Through everything God made, they can clearly see his invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature. So they have no excuse for not knowing God.

²¹Yes, they knew God, but they wouldn't worship him as God or even give him thanks. And they began to think up foolish ideas of what God was like. As a result, their minds became dark and confused. ²²Claiming to be wise, they instead became utter fools. ²³And instead of worshiping the glorious, ever-living God, they worshiped idols made to look like mere people and birds and animals and reptiles.

Romans 1:32 They know God's justice requires that those who do these things deserve to die, yet they do them anyway. Worse yet, they encourage others to do them, too.

Romans 2:29 No, a true Jew is one whose heart is right with God. And true circumcision is not merely obeying the letter of the law; rather, it is a change of heart produced by God's Spirit. And a person with a changed heart seeks praise from God, not from people.

Proverbs 3:5 Trust in the Lord with all your heart;
do not depend on your own understanding.

⁶Seek his will in all you do,
and he will show you which path to take.

⁷Don't be impressed with your own wisdom.
Instead, fear the Lord and turn away from evil.

⁸Then you will have healing for your body
and strength for your bones.