

# Wisdom is finding out what you should do and doing it.

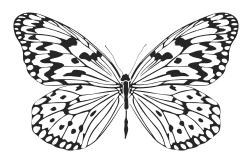
DAY 1

#### Read Romans 12:2

Have you ever studied how a caterpillar turns into a butterfly? It's a process called metamorphosis. Just like that beautiful butterfly, when we become followers of Jesus, we are completely changed on the inside! You are a new creation.

As Jesus followers, God doesn't want us to think and act like the world around us. God wants us to grow in wisdom so we can live differently. And when we do, what does our verse say we will learn? What is right; God's good, pleasing and perfect plan! As you follow Jesus each day, instead of following what the world says is right, you'll understand what God says is right. You'll begin to change your mind as you grow in wisdom.

Color in the butterfly below. Thank God for the opportunity He gives to grow in wisdom and become more and more like Jesus!



DAY 2

#### **Read Proverbs 1:5**

When it comes to wisdom, you should never stop looking for it. You should never stop asking God to give you more. You should never stop learning and growing. Wise people pay attention so they never stop gaining wisdom. Wise people look for other wise people hoping some of that wisdom rubs off on them.

Who are the wisest people you know? Think about the people in your life that follow Jesus, that read their Bibles, or that pray and talk to God. Maybe it's your parent or caregiver. Perhaps it's your small group leader at church.

**Spend some time thanking God for the wise people in your life.** Ask Him to help you keep growing in wisdom. Who knows, maybe one day, someone else will name you as a wise person to learn from too.



A Devotional on Wisdom

There's More! →

#### **Read Ecclesiastes 7:12**

Do you know what a bank is for? People deposit their money in a bank to keep it safe. Your parents don't keep all the money from their jobs in a shoebox in your closet or under your mattress. A thief could steal it at any time and all that safety you feel would be gone for good.

Wisdom is like having a large bank account protected at your local bank. Actually, wisdom is even better than that. Why? Because the wisdom you gain cannot be stolen away. You can't lose the wisdom you gain unless you refuse to put what you've learned into practice. The more you learn, the longer you follow God and live the way that he wants you to live, the better off you'll be! That's why you should never stop growing in wisdom.

Write out today's verse on a card and tape it to the front of your piggy bank. Each time you add money to your bank, read the verse and ask yourself: What wise thing have I learned today? Am I following God and putting it into practice so I'll be protected?

## Never stop growing in wisdom.

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#### **Read Proverbs 9:9**

Did you know that there are three parts of your body that never stop growing? Write your guesses in the blanks below.

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Your ears and nose are made of soft tissue and cartilage. Some scientists believe those cells are able to keep multiplying. Others suspect that gravity plays a role. Whatever the reason, your ears and nose will keep growing long after the rest of your body has stopped.

Just like your ears and nose keep growing, we should never stop growing in wisdom! That's why you see adults at church reading their Bibles, taking notes, praying, or talking to others about God. They're growing in wisdom because they know there is always something new to learn. Growing in wisdom is like enjoying a never-ending bottomless ice cream sundae except you won't get a tummy ache.

Ask your parents if you can have an ice cream sundae party this weekend! As you make your sundae, share your favorite verse about wisdom from this month (you can talk about today's verse if you want). Before you enjoy your treat, ask God to help you grow in wisdom.