



Summer at Central: Wisdom Wk 3

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WISDOM

W: We Choose _____ *(Heb. 13:5 ESV, Ro. 12:10 ESV)*

I: Involve _____ **in our Journey** *(Prov. 27:17, Ro. 12:5)*

S: Small things make a big difference! Be _____!

D: Don't _____! **Be a Second-miler!** *(Gen. 24)*

O: Opportunity for _____ **with instruction and discipline**

M: Make it Count! _____, _____, **and** _____.
(Prov. 3:3-4 NIV)

Talk it Over:

Proverbs 3:1-6

From Sunday's worship service, what points stood out to you and have challenged you to grow?

Read Proverbs 3:1-6. Before responding to the questions below, how do these verses strike you? Do they inspire you and give you hope? Seem too good to be true? Heard them so many times that you are numb to them?

In these 6 verses, what are the benefits of wise living? Are these guaranteed promises? Why or why not?

What factors (besides old age!) contribute to forgetting God's teachings?

List practical ways to help yourself remember what God is teaching you.

When the Bible refers to "heart," it refers to your will (not necessarily your emotions, which is typically what we think of when we think of "heart"). Re-read Proverbs 3:1-5, this time replacing "heart" with the word "will." What new insights do you have after this reading?

Verse 2 names prosperity as one of the byproducts of remembering God's teachings and keeping them close to your heart. In this context, what do you think is meant by "prosperity"?

Read Deuteronomy 6:6-9. What similarities and parallels do you note between this passage and Proverbs 3:3?

A "good name" (verse 4) – a good reputation – is highly prized in our culture.

How does verse 3 suggest that you gain it? How does that differ from more worldly attempts at having a good reputation?

How might you lose a good reputation?

How could you describe the similarities between "trust" and "lean" as used in verse 5?

To acknowledge God is to be aware of God and in fellowship with God, not just to tip one's hat to Him.

In what circumstances do you find it easy or natural to acknowledge God?

In what circumstances are you often least likely to acknowledge God?