

January 13–14, 2024

Title: Proverbs: Wisdom for Life, Pt 2 — “Trusting Christ for Every Step” – Proverbs 3:1-12

Big Idea: Trust Christ with every step by knowing His Word, Knowing the LORD, and knowing yourself.

What in the message stood out to you?

Read Proverbs 3:1-12. What questions do you have?

I. KNOW HIS WORD—Proverbs 3:1-2

What are you tempted to give your attention to the most? In other words, what distracts you from knowing/meditating on God’s Word?

What are practical ways that you are keeping God’s Word on your heart?

How do you allow scripture to inform what you know, love, and choose? How has scripture played a role in your decision-making?

Read Proverbs 3:2. What do you think this life and peace consist of?

II. KNOW THE LORD—Proverbs 3:3-4

Do a word-study search on steadfast love and faithfulness? What passages did you find and what else do they say about God?

Why do you think knowing God and His character is important to your decision-making?

Read Proverbs 3:4. What do you think this favor and good success looks like?

III. KNOW YOURSELF—Proverbs 3: 5-8

In what areas of your life are you tempted to lean on your own understanding?

Pastor Jerayl shared the example of looking back and seeing our mistakes 10 years ago. Why do you think it’s easier to reflect rather than seeing ourselves clearly in the moment?

Read Proverbs 3:5-8 and Psalm 32. What connections can you find between these two passages? How did David experience the healing and refreshment that's written about in Proverbs?

IV. TRUST THE LORD IN YOUR SUCCESS—Proverbs 3:9-10

Read Proverbs 3:9-10. What do you think it means to honor the Lord with your wealth?

What temptations arise when we are faced with success?

How can you continue to grow in this discipline or practice?

V. TRUST THE LORD IN YOUR SUFFERING—Proverbs 3:11-12

God is faithful even when we are faithless. How have you seen the Lord be faithful in your suffering?

In what ways has adversity proved profitable in your life?

Read 2 Corinthians 4:17. Why do passages like this one give us hope?

How does your experience with affliction allow you to comfort and encourage others?

“Next Steps” Takeaways – Discuss and pray through the following:

With God:

- Have you joined our Church Bible read through plan? If not, what plan are you doing for this year?

With Others:

- Read our Continuing Together Covenant.
- Have you signed our Continuing Together Covenant? If not, what is hindering you or what concerns do you have?
- Would it be helpful to talk it through with one of the elders?

On Mission:

- Would you reflect on how you can honor the LORD with your finances? What is your next step to pursue your God-given role in sacrificial and cheerful giving?