

## **The Surest Way to Find Happiness is to Find Wisdom**

### **1. The Value of Wisdom** (Prov 3:13-26)

#### (a) **It's usefulness to us - PART A** (13-18)

Then the LORD God said, "Look, the human beings have become like us, knowing both good and evil. What if they reach out, take fruit from the tree of life, and eat it? Then they will live forever!" So the LORD God banished them from the Garden of Eden.. **Genesis 3:22-23**

He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To the one who conquers I will grant to eat of the tree of life, which is in the paradise of God. **Revelation 2:7**

How from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you **wise** for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. **2Timothy 3:15**

I once thought these things were valuable, but now I consider them worthless because of what Christ has done. Yes, everything else is worthless when compared with the infinite value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have discarded everything else, counting it all as garbage, so that I could gain Christ. **Philippians 3:7-8 NLT**

#### (b) **It's usefulness to God** (19-20)

God used wisdom to make something out of nothing, and give it all the design and order that we see in it today.

By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible.

**Hebrews 11:3**

(c) **It's usefulness to us - PART B (21-26)**

Then Elijah stood in front of them and said, "How much longer will you waver, hobbling between two opinions? If the LORD is God, follow him! But if Baal is God, then follow him!" **1Kings 18:21**

**2. The Virtue of Wisdom** (Prov 3:27-35)

(a) **Things wisdom doesn't do** (27-31)

(b) **Why wisdom doesn't do these things** (32-35)