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"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by Him and without Him was not anything made. In Him was life and the life was the light of men."

St. John 1:1-4
John stressed the deity of Jesus Christ. In the beginning was the logos, which was the Word, the ability of thought, the reason. In the beginning was the thought, the very essence of God. Jesus was the outward expression of the thought of God. Jesus is God manifested in the flesh. Jesus left His place in glory and walked among common men.

The Word of God is the wisdom of God. As I meditated on the word “wisdom”, I began to ask the Lord to bestow His wisdom upon me.

“But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom…”

--1 Corinthians 1:30

We need to possess the wisdom of God. If you lack wisdom, pray and
ask the Father, for He will give wisdom unto you.

Proverbs 8:1 lets us know that wisdom cries. Wisdom calls out to us to come and partake. Wisdom is personified. Understanding puts forth the voice of wisdom. Wisdom stands in the top of the high places—in the paths where people need to make decisions. Wisdom always seeks for an audience that is eager to obey and receive the blessing of the Lord at her hand.

All too frequently, people make decisions that are devoid of wisdom. Yet God-given wisdom will cause you to walk in good success. The reason why so many Christians find themselves in the midst of financial, emotional and other such problems is because they do not possess the
wisdom necessary to show them how to view their dilemma. One individual lacking wisdom will view a challenge as an obstacle, yet another person, possessing wisdom, will view the same challenge as a vehicle on the path to success. Challenges are not bad. You need to experience challenges in your life, for they are the catalysts used by the Lord to enlarge your heart.

Some individuals become accustomed to the comfort zone of life. Yet, if you want to experience God’s miraculous power, you have to be willing to venture into the unfamiliar. If you want to eat fruit, you must go out on a limb. You cannot be afraid to take risks if you are going to be wealthy or become an achiever in God. You need to know Who and
The Scriptures tell us to let the peace of God rule in our hearts by the Holy Ghost. "Rule" means to let the peace of God be the umpire. Let the peace of God call the shots in your life! There are occasions when God will have you do something that does not make sense in the natural, but inside, you know that you’ve heard from God, and the fruit of your obedience is made manifest for all to see.

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Whose you are. Many people are afraid of challenges yet wisdom is speaking and calling you to new challenges. God wants to take you to new horizons in Him. There are some people whose nests will be stirred up by the Spirit of God. God is saying, “Get up out of your nest and come to the place where the eagles are gathering”.

“Hear, for I will speak of excellent things; and the opening of my lips shall be of right things.”

--Proverbs 8:6

Wisdom will give you princely utterances--she will give you words that will attract the heart. When the voice of wisdom speaks, you will have the witness in your heart that it’s proceeding from God.
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the conversations you are having with yourself.

To be silent is one of the most awesome things to perform. Some time ago, while authoring one of my earlier books, I spent some time in a monastery. Upon arising in the morning, you were not allowed to make any noise with your mouth for several hours. At times, I found it extremely difficult to walk around and not say anything, yet I sensed an awesome Presence of God in the room. I began to understand what it means to "Be still, and know that I am God."

When you quiet your soul, you'll begin to hear conversations on the inside of you that may possibly frighten you because you may not realize the magnitude of the
conversing that takes place within you. We should study to be quiet so that we can hear what is taking place in the recesses of our being.

Solomon was saying that his mouth would always speak truth. In other words, I shall meditate upon that which is true, lovely, pure, and is of a good report. I’m going to mutter the Word of God and the acts of God to myself. I’m going to encourage myself in Him. I’m going to think about the will He has written concerning me, for that is the thing that shall echo in my heart.

There are times you need to be alone to focus your thoughts and focus on what God is doing. “Busyness” tends to keep you ineffective. You can be so busy and distracted yet not accomplish the primary thing that
God wants you to achieve. This is why it is so necessary to become locked into the purpose of God so that you refuse to allow anything to distract you—for then you will experience the blessings of the Lord.

Wickedness is tantamount to lawlessness, falsehood and idolatry in your mouth. Giving voice to the lies of the enemy will cause you to fortify satan’s tactics in your life. When you echo satan’s purposes, you actually begin to render worship since you are then esteeming his word higher than Almighty God’s.

“For wisdom is better than rubies; and all the things that may be desired are not to be compared to it.”

---Proverbs 8:11
Now, this might be a bit deep, however, it's necessary. Some individuals, upon starting in their church, were so blessed when they found out that God would take them from one level to the next. They were astounded to see blessings manifest within one or two months. Then suddenly, their pace began to slow down, and they didn’t see much of a breakthrough simply because they stopped doing what they did when they first arrived. Don’t lose touch with the wisdom of God! You can learn from anything you give yourself to. Wisdom looks for challenges so she can cry out the solution.

Everything happens through cause and effect. There’s no such thing as a “chance” happening. The only reason
why men tend to call things “chance” is because they have not discovered the law that has been implemented. For every cause, there’s an effect, and conversely, for every effect, there’s a cause. God wants us to discern the root of everything that presents itself unto us.

“I wisdom dwell with prudence, and find out knowledge of witty inventions.”

--Proverbs 8:12

Wisdom dwells with the crafty. She can only dwell with certain types of minds. Minds that are clever, in a positive sense, thinkers, and minds that are calculating, are able to contain and respond to the voice of wisdom.

When you are born again, God does
not desire for you to lose your mind. Many fall prey to super-spirituality, and feel that being born again means that Jesus will do everything for them. Yes, He WILL help you, but you must realize that you must use some of your energy also!

"The fear of the Lord is to hate evil: pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, and the froward mouth, do I hate."

--Proverbs 8:13

If you desire for God to exalt you, you have to humble yourself. We are what we are because of Him. He wants us to bring glory to His Name. He hates pride and arrogance because it shows that you have foolishly thought that your own power or characteristics have exalted you to a place of prominence. This is
another form of idolatry, and God knows how to bring you to your knees.

“Counsel is mine, and sound wisdom: I am understanding; I have strength.”

Proverbs 8:14

Counsel is to the wise man what the word is to the prophet. Understanding will give you insight. I believe that certain materials will not surface in your hands unless you have a heart that is ready to receive them. That which you are seeking is seeking you also, and it is God Who will cause you to link together.

“By me kings reign, and princes decree justice.”

“By me princes rule, and
nobles, even all the judges of the earth."

--Proverbs 8:15-16

Wisdom enables you to function in authority. You need wisdom to lead people. You must know how to lead them into the challenges of tomorrow. Wisdom is necessary to even say “I don’t know.” Wisdom will tell you when to say it. Authorities must rule by the wisdom of God.

“I love them that love me; and they that seek me early shall find me.”

---Proverbs 8:17

Seek wisdom early and you will find her. It may be early in life, or early in the situation you are encountering. Whatever you are
going through at this moment, seek wisdom. Start praying for the wisdom of God to be your portion, for Christ is made unto us wisdom. Start embracing wisdom now. Learn to be quiet. Learn to read. Wisdom will cause the things that you read to become rhema in your life. Wisdom will bring illumination to your heart, and you will suddenly realize the key to your dilemma. God wants you to develop a hearing ear, for everyone does not possess an ear of understanding. Wisdom’s lips are closed to those who do not possess understanding heart.

“Riches and honor are with me; yea, durable riches and righteousness.”

“My fruit is better than gold, yea, than fine gold; and my
Wisdom will keep you from searching after gold—for durable riches, wealth and honor will come to those who possess wisdom to entertain them. It is better to obtain the seed of wisdom and watch what shall be produced than it is to obtain silver and gold. If silver and gold were bestowed upon you, and were suddenly taken away, you would need wisdom to replenish your supply. Wisdom connects you with the Source of Life—Jesus Christ.

Solomon understood the power of wisdom. He understood the vanity of riches and honor without wisdom. God esteemed his request for wisdom, and allowed Solomon to
enjoy abundance of riches, along with the wisdom of God.

The call and the mandate is still set before us this day—wisdom still cries out in the gates of our lives, seeking for those who will answer—those who will take heed and experience the blessing of the Lord. Embrace wisdom, and let her have her portion in you!
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