

Prayers That Shape Us



The Prayer For Guidance | Proverbs 3:5-8

1. Proverbs 1 to 8 presents God's wisdom as active in all creation. Where have you recently seen signs of God at work around you personally and in church life? Also consider the small and ordinary ways. Take time to worship and thank him.
2. Fear of the Lord v.7. Duncan described the "fear of the Lord" as awe, humility, and trust. Do you see these traits in yourself, guiding the way you approach prayer and decision-making?
3. Trust in God or your own understanding v.5-6. What does "leaning on your own understanding" look like in your everyday life? Share with each other how you recognise when you are leaning on your own understanding?
4. Acknowledging God v.6. To "acknowledge Him in all your ways" means bringing God into every decision. What practical habits help you acknowledge God throughout the day, not just in crisis moments?
5. Straight Paths v.6. The promise of "straight paths" doesn't mean an easy life. What do you think a "straight path" looks like in the area of God's guidance?
6. The sermon shared stories of a pastor who trusted God's love even in suffering. How does believing in God's unchanging love guide you in seasons of uncertainty or pain? Where in your own life has God used difficulty to grow wisdom, humility, or trust?
7. Spiritual Journaling. Duncan spoke of keeping a spiritual journal to discern God's guidance. Have you ever tried journaling your prayers or decisions? What benefits — or challenges — did you experience? What other practical ways have you used to discern God's will in your life?
8. Learning from Joseph's life. Use the story of Joseph (Gen 37-50) to reflect on Proverbs 3:7-8 and consider how God imparts his blessings & shapes character through hardship. Reflect on your own life story and notice God's hand guiding and blessing you. Take further time to thank Him and Worship Him.



What did you discover about God in this passage?
What did you discover about people in this passage?
How will you commit to obey this passage this week?
With whom will you share what you have learned?

