

**Series: Successful Living**

**Title: Wisdom's Wealth**

**Text: Proverbs 8**

**Wisdom's Potential: (Vs 1-5)**

Knowledge: the facts concerning something = WHAT.

Wisdom: the right use of knowledge: = HOW

Understanding: the ability of the mind to grasp the real state of things, or the whole picture of the situation. = WHY

**Wisdom's Purity: (Vs 6-14)**

Froward: not willing to yield or comply with what is required;

Perverse: turned aside; hence, distorted from the right.

(1 Cor 1:18-25)

***"Rubies"*** ~ *better than wealth.*

Joseph, in the affairs of Egypt - (Gen 41:33-43)

Jethro's advice to Moses - (Exodus 18:17-23)

Wisdom hates what God hates. (Ch 6:16-19; Ps 5:5)

Seeks it from God. - ***Bezaleel*** - (Ex 35:30-33)

**Wisdom's Potency: (Vs 15-21)**

(Rom 13:1-2).

Promise to Claim: (Vs 17)

A Truth to live by: (Vs 18)

Wisdom's Love is proven by its benefits (Vs 18-21).

***"durable riches"*** ~ Not like the world's Junk.

A Treasure to Possess: (Vs 19)

A Way to Follow: (Vs 20)

An inheritance to possess: (vs 21)

**Wisdom's Preeminence: (Vs 22-31)**

Verses, 22–36 Personify Wisdom,

Jesus Christ = the wisdom of God.

(1 Cor 1:24, 30)

Christ used His eternal wisdom in creation: (Jn 1:1-3)

These verses parallel the creation account in Genesis.

The earth (vs 23) with day one in (Gen 1:1-5)

(Vs 24) Water on day 2 in (Gen 1:6-8)

(Vs 25-26) Land (Gen 1:9-13)

***Compass*** ~ Circle of the earth (i.e. a Globe) (Is 40:22)

***Foundations*** ~ Denotes the solid structure of the earth.

(Job 38:4)(Ps 24:2)

(Jer 52:15)

***My delights*** ~ When God rejoiced over His creation

(Gen 1:31)(Job 38:7)

**Wisdom's Prerequisite: (Vs 32-36)**

Wisdom is trying again to convince us of our need of it.

**Favour**~Kind regard; kindness; countenance; propitious aspect; friendly disposition.

God gave Joseph favor & wisdom in the sight of Pharaoh.

(Acts 7:10)

Since wisdom is the source of life (Ch 3:18)