

A WISE MAN

A WISE MAN KNOWS THAT GOD IS.

- “Without faith it is impossible to please Him: for he that cometh to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him” (Heb. 11:6).
- “In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth” (Gen. 1:1).
- “The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God. They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, there is none that doeth good” (Psa. 14:1).

A WISE MAN WILL HEAR.

- “A wise man will hear, and will increase learning; and a man of understanding shall attain unto wise counsels” (Pro. 1:5).
- “Hear instruction, and be wise, and refuse it not” (Pro. 8:33).

A WISE MAN KNOWS TO WHOM HE SHOULD LISTEN.

- “So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God” (Rom. 10:17).
- “Bow down thine ear, and hear the words of the wise, and apply thine heart unto my knowledge” (Pro. 22:17).

A WISE MAN KNOWS TO WHOM HE SHOULD NOT LISTEN.

- “Woe unto them that are wise in their own eyes, and prudent in their own sight” (Isa. 5:21)!
- “Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual [*words*]” (1 Cor. 2:13).

A WISE MAN WILL OBEY.

- “Who is wise, and he shall understand these things? prudent, and he shall know them? for the ways of the LORD are right, and the just shall walk in them: but the transgressors shall fall therein” (Hos. 14:9).
- “Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children; And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given Himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour...See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise” (Eph. 5:1-2, 15).

Let us seek God's Word, hear and learn from wise counsel, and be obedient to the Truth. “Be not wise in your own conceits” (Rom. 12:16) nor seek to follow after those who preach “with enticing words of man's wisdom” (1 Cor. 2:4). Rather, let us build wisely upon the rock solid

truth that Jesus Christ is the Son of God (Mat. 7:24-25; 16:18) and all who will obey Him shall be saved (Mark 16:16; Heb. 5:8-9).

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