

Invisible Wisdom

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- INVISIBLE WISDOM...To be clear, it is not that wisdom, specifically biblical or Godly wisdom, is REALLY invisible, but rather quite possibly it is severely UNNOTICED!
- IF something is unnoticed or ignored or unpursued, then the net difference is no different than something being truly invisible.
- It is fair that we expand the definition of "invisible" to not only things which cannot be seen to things which simply are not seen.
- It is then incumbent upon us to <u>take</u> the time to SEE!

The INDUCTIVE m	etho	d of Bible stu	udy:
key elements are			,
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OBSERVATION is the first phase and typically needs to occupy 50% of the study effort. Look for things such as:

Asking Who What When Where Why?

- Noticing Repeated words
- Noticing the Tone of the comments
- Determining who the audience is and who is speaking
- Determining the problem and solution of the passage
- And other such things as these...badger the text with questions

Key elements and associates of WISDOM:

(ALL scripture references taken from the NASB95 version)

1--RIGHTEOUSNESS

Proverbs 10:31 Psalm 37:29-31

2—FEARING GOD (fear = reverence, awe, worship, obedience)

Proverbs 9:10 Psalm 111:10

3—KNOWLEDGE/UNDERSTANDING

Proverbs 2:6

4--INTEGRITY

Proverbs 2:7
5--BLESSING

Proverbs 3:13

6—INTIMACY with WISDOM a good thing

Proverbs 7:4

7—GREAT VALUE (breadth of usefulness)

Proverbs 8:11 Proverbs 16:16

8—COMPLETION and STABILITY (7 PILLARS)—fully adequate for its purpose Proverbs 9:1

9--DISCERNMENT

Proverbs 10:13

10--HUMILITY

Proverbs 11:2

Proverbs 15:33

11—ILLUSIVE to some

Proverbs 14:6

12—GOOD COUNSEL

Proverbs 13:10

13—SOURCE of LIFE

Proverbs 18:4

14—HEALTHY SELF LOVE (i.e., proper view of self)

Proverbs 19:8

15—Requires GOOD STEWARDSHIP

Proverbs 23:9

16—STABILITY

Proverbs 24:3-4

17—HOPE/FUTURE

Proverbs 24:14

TWO THINGS that WISDOM is NOT or DOES NOT PRODUCE:

18—FOOLISHNESS/DECEIT/LACK of SENSE

Proverbs 14:8

Proverbs 17:16

19—WORLDLY FOCUS/ISOLATION

Proverbs 17:24

Proverbs 18:1

BOTTOM LINE:

We MUST learn to focus on and desire the elements and associates of WISDOM! We must expend reasonable effort to NOTICE or discover its hidden treasures; else, it is INVISIBLE and thus lends no value to us.

To obtain it, GO TO THE SOURCE:

James 1:5 is a key place to start:

"But if any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all generously and without reproach, and it will be given to him. But he must ask in faith without any doubting, for the one who doubts is like the surf of the sea, driven and tossed by the wind. For that man ought not to expect that he will receive anything from the Lord, being a double-minded (i.e., doubting or hesitating) man, unstable in all his ways."