

LISTENING TO PROVERBS > GET WISDOM

- According to the 1st chapter (1:1–7), Proverbs was written to give “prudence to the simple, knowledge and discretion to the young” (1:4), and to make the wise even wiser (1:5).
- Solomon was a young leader who was asked by God for anything...He asked for wisdom. While Solomon was far from perfect – he asked for a good thing. Our prayer is that as junior leaders, you ask the Lord for wisdom so that you may live and lead wisely. (Read 1 Kings 3:5-15, 2 Chronicles 1:1-13)
- Wisdom is good for life, and important for leaders. Listen to proverbs and get wisdom.

How Often Do I Listen?

- Listen to a Chapter of Proverbs every day. You can read along too if you like
- You will find proverbs on the website, and a copy of this booklet there too!
www.burnsidefamilychurch.com/proverbs

How Do I Listen?

- Get in a place without distraction and where you can be along with the Lord
- Pray this prayer or something like this:
“Jesus, thank you for your Word. Help me to listen and hear your voice speaking to me. You love me and have given me life. Now help me grow and live for you. Amen”
- Then listen to the chapter and repeat listening to it at least one more time.
- Think about which verse really spoke to you, or a phrase or a word that moved you or got your attention above the rest of the words
- Before you listen to the chapter again, get a pen and write down the phrase or word that moved you when you hear it. Pause the passage if you have but write it down!
- Write it down on the pages attached
- Then pray this prayer (or something like this):
“Holy Spirit, thank you for speaking to my heart and teaching me. Thank you that you care about me and love me. Help me to apply it to my life. I am sorry for anything I have done and I choose to live for you. Give me wisdom so that I can serve you. Thank you Holy Spirit. Amen”
- Then listen to the chapter at least one more time

What Do I Write Down and Why?

- God will speak to His people in many ways and when we read His Word, He will speak to us as and that Word will stand out from the rest of the words. It is like when you have a conversation with someone, you remember some bits more than others, some bits of the conversation stand out more than other parts. In the same way, when you listen, write down what stands out to you.
- You can keep these records as a way to remembering what God has said to you through His Word and how you have responded. The words you write will be an encouragement to you and you will grow and gain strength in God, and you will gain His WISDOM!

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