The wisdom of God

1) Wisdom defined

* Divine insight, discernment, and its practical application
* *1 Kings 3:9 - Therefore give to Your servant an understanding heart to judge Your people, that I may discern between good and evil. For who is able to judge this great people of Yours? (The fool has no moral character)*
* *1 Chronicles 12:32 – Of the sons of Issachar who had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do… (Example: Joseph before Pharaoh)*
* Even if you’re on the right track, you’ll get run over if you just sit there. Will Rogers

2) The wisdom of God is your inheritance – Proverbs 2:6-8

3) The wisdom of God is to be desired – Proverbs 4:7-8

# How do you get God’s wisdom?

*The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; A good understanding have all those who do His commandments. His praise endures forever. Psalms 111:10*

1) You ask for it

* *James 1:5 - If you need wisdom — if you want to know what God wants you to do — ask him, and he will gladly tell you. He will not resent your asking. NLT*
* God can give supernatural wisdom, It’s a gift of the Holy Spirit - 1 Corinthians 12:7-11, Job 32:6-9
* *For I will give you a mouth and wisdom which all your adversaries will not be able to contradict or resist. Luke 21:15*

2) You develop it through life experience and knowing the Bible

* Good judgment comes from experience, and a lot of that comes from bad judgment. Will Rogers
* We must work the word - Hebrews 5:12-14, Psalm 119:97-105, Psalm 19:7
* To grow in wisdom, you must receive reproof – Proverbs 9:7-12

3) Seek wise counsel

* *Where there is no counsel, the people fall; but in the multitude of counselors there is safety. Proverbs 21:30*
* Be friends with the wise - *He who walks with wise men will be wise, But the companion of fools will be destroyed. Proverbs 13:20*