

“Wisdom Perfects our Path”

Pursuing Sanctification’s Hold

Proverbs 4:1-27

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Introduction:

Book Outline:

I. Contrast Between Good and Evil	Proverbs 1-9
II. Work, Anger, Pride, Folly, Wealth, Speech	Selected Proverbs
III. Words of Agur	Proverbs 30
IV. Words of Lemuel	Proverbs 31

Theme Statement of Proverbs:

“The **fear of the LORD** is the beginning of knowledge; Fools despise wisdom and instruction.” (1:7)

Key Chapter Verses:

“The beginning of wisdom is: Acquire wisdom; And with all your acquiring, get understanding.” (4:7)

“But the path of the righteous is like the light of dawn, that shines brighter and brighter until the full day.” (4:18)

Theme:

Every believer, without exception, must decide his or her resolve to pursue this lifelong task of obtaining wisdom. Grasping wisdom takes work and tireless effort. Like mining gold with a pick ax, the believer develops deep spiritual callouses on his hands in his daily, digging efforts. All efforts are motivated by the “Fear of the Lord,” and lead the believer onward on the righteous path while tightly grasping two foundational truths found in Proverbs 3:5-6.

1) Trust God's Word as your final authority. Verse 5. “Trust in the Lord with all your Heart.”

2) Obey God's Word as your practical authority. Verse 6. "In all your ways acknowledge Him and He will make your **Paths Straight**.”

Section Outline: (4:1-27)

I. A Father's First Plea – **Knowing** God's Word (4:1-9) _____
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II. A Father's Second Plea – **Trusting** in God's Providence (4:10-19) _____
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A. An opening appeal to Listen (10-13) _____
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B. An Exhortation to Refrain from Evil (14-19) _____
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III. A Father's Third Plea– **Obedying** God's Will (4:20-27) _____
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Implications:

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