SMALL GROUP GUIDE



WEEK ONE



The Big Idea

We will open the series looking at the structure and context of the Proverbs, including an overview of our journey together. We will uncover the foundational principle of wisdom in Proverbs: the fear of the Lord. We will explore how a reverent awe of God is the starting point knowing and loving Him.



Things to Remember

"Wisdom is the skill to use knowledge rightly."



X Next Steps

This week, try to progress through the levels of fearing God by engaging daily with Scripture and reflecting on its messages. Apply a proverb in your interactions, observe the outcomes, and discuss these experiences with a friend or mentor. Aim to understand not just what God says, but why He says it, deepening your understanding and love for His ways.

Discussion Questions

- How does understanding the context of a biblical text change your perception of its messages? Share an example from your experience.
- The message mentions three levels of fearing God. Which level do you currently identify with, and why?
- 3. Discuss the implications of Proverbs 1:7 and Proverbs 9:10 in your daily life. How do you apply the 'fear of the Lord' as the foundation of wisdom?
- 4. Reflect on the concept of wisdom as "the skill to use knowledge rightly." Can you think of a recent situation where you could have applied this skill?



Closing Prayer

Heavenly Father, we thank you for guiding us through the wisdom of Proverbs. Help us to deeply understand and fear You in a way that transforms our lives. Teach us to apply Your wisdom daily, respecting and loving Your ways above all. As we continue our journey in faith, bless our discussions and inspire us to live out the truths we learn. In Your Holy Name, Amen.

Key Verses

Proverbs 9:10, Proverbs 1:7, Proverbs 15:33

Prayer Requests

Date	Person's Name	Prayer Requests/Praise Reports