

**Sermon Discussion Questions**  
**Wisdom in Chaos: Week 2**  
**Proverbs 2**

*Here are some questions to discuss as you think about the message from **Proverbs 2**.*

1. What is Godly wisdom?
2. Read Proverbs 2:1-4. How does King Solomon describe the pursuit of wisdom? How would you describe your own pursuit of wisdom?
3. What is the result of pursuing wisdom? What will you find? How would you describe your own results? What have you personally found (or not found)?
4. Read Proverbs 2:6-22. How does Solomon describe the specific benefits of pursuing wisdom? Which benefits have you experienced? Which ones seem more difficult for you to experience?
5. Proverbs 2 outlines a conditional process. In other words, if you do \_\_\_\_\_, then \_\_\_\_\_ will occur. How does this fit with the promises of the gospel, which are not based on our performance? Read Ephesians 2:1-10. How does the pursuit of wisdom described in Proverbs 2 fit? What does Jesus have to do with our pursuit?
6. Pastor Gary described three key words in the wisdom process: *commit*, *submit*, and *posture*. Which of these challenges the way you think and feel about God? About yourself?
7. Continue to think about the decisions are you seeking God's wisdom for in this season of your life. Consider each of the following questions as you think about your next step.
  - How have you processed the decision so far? In what ways have you been in humility "open" to receiving? In what ways have you been "closed"? How might you need to confess?
  - How have you been praying—or not praying? How might your prayers need to change?
  - What truths from scripture apply, not just to your situation but to the specific ways you have been approaching your situation?
  - In what ways have you sought the counsel of others?
  - What is keeping you from moving forward in confidence?

*If you'd like to go deeper, spend some time meditating on Psalm 42:1-2 and consider the following prayer.*

*Lord,*

Forgive me for seeking after other things to quench my thirst. Help me to see You more clearly—the beauty of your character, the beauty of the world you have created, the beauty of your love for me. I admit that I am confused and uncertain about so many things. Help me to see my circumstances for what they are. Help me see what is temporary and what is beyond my control. Help me to not want what I now want. Help me to want to pursue you and love you with all of my heart, mind, soul, and strength.