

I, Wisdom. Part 1

O'Malley Family Bible Study

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If Jesus was standing in front of you right now asking for one request that he would grant you. What request would you ask to be granted?

Every Godly request is perfect. There's no wrong answer everyone has a desire. I have a desire. What request would I make to Jesus?



I desire with all my heart to be seated at one of the honored seats at the wedding feast of the lamb with the perfect wedding garments on and not get stuck at the table with those squeaking in at the last second. To be able to behold an event that will only take place once in eternity. I envision constellations and comets to be in the backdrop with incredible music but what I think what will happen will pale in comparison to what will happen as 1Cor2:9 states.

WEB 1 Corinthians 2:9 But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.

What does the bible say about how to get into the marriage feast? In Matt25:1-12 there was 5 wise virgins that got into the marriage feast while 5 foolish one didn't get in. Wisdom plays an integral part in getting into the marriage feast. In the marriage feast parable of Matt22:2-3,8-14 there was a guest without a wedding garment and that person was cast out. Just having a ticket into the wedding feast doesn't guarantee that you won't be evicted later. To get in and stay in the marriage feast you have to be ready, wise and be properly dressed.

Why is wisdom very important to Jesus?

In the Apocrypha book of the Wisdom of Solomon it's stated in 7:28 that:

For **God loveth none but him that dwelleth with wisdom**

What is important to Jesus should be important to you especially if you desire a marriage feast seat.

The five wise virgins had wisdom but what is the definition of wisdom (Strong's # 5429)?

The New Englishman's Greek Concordance and Lexicon: sensible, prudent, practically wise

Thayer's Greek-English lexicon: intelligent, wise, prudent

Strong's: wise, sensible, shrewd, conceited

Bamford's bible Dictionary: Intelligence and knowledge

Those definitions help define wisdom but are useless by themselves. These definitions attempt to box in wisdom in a sound bite. The definition of wisdom can't be contained in a sound bite or a few words.

This study will cover the following 5 areas and then present an opportunity to possibly move your marriage feast seat assignment closer to the reserved Hebrews chapter 11 roped off section.

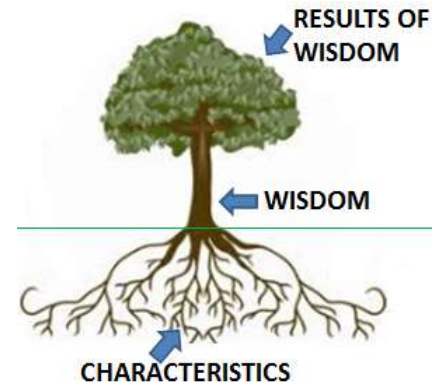
1. What are the characteristics of a person with wisdom?
2. Where does wisdom come from?
3. How can one get wisdom?
4. What should you be asking for in wisdom?
 - a) What is the purpose of wisdom?
 - b) What must you do before asking for wisdom?
 - c) What is wisdom?

5. What must you have as a precursor to getting wisdom

1. What are the characteristics of a person with wisdom?

It's impossible to come up with a definition of wisdom in only a few words.

Wisdom may be compared to a tree trunk. The advantages or the results of wisdom are the branches and leaves which provide shelter and food. All that is above ground is supportive of the extensive root system under the ground. The root system hold up the trunk, branches and leaves. The roots of wisdom spread out into smaller roots which have their own definitions which tie into one another. A tree with weak root system will have a scrawny trunk, stunted branches and pale/missing/sickly leaves.



A person with wisdom will think, see, hear, perceive, speak, feel and act differently than the rest of the people of the world. A person must change in order to receive wisdom. The executive summary of wisdom's characteristics are:

(2Ch 1:12 NASB) **wisdom and knowledge have been granted to you.** And I will give you **riches and wealth and honor**, such as none of the kings who were before you has possessed nor those who will come after you."

(Job 12:12 NASB) "Wisdom is with aged men, **With long life** is understanding.

(Psa 37:30 NASB) The mouth of the **righteous** utters wisdom, And his tongue speaks **justice**.

(Pro 1:2 NASB) To know wisdom and **instruction**, To **discern the sayings** of understanding,

(Pro 8:12 NASB) "I, wisdom, dwell with **prudence**, And I find **knowledge and discretion**.

(Jas 3:13 NASB) Who among you is wise and understanding? Let him show by his good behavior his deeds in the **gentleness** of wisdom.

(Dan 1:17 NASB) As for these four youths, God gave them knowledge and **intelligence** in every *branch of* literature and wisdom; Daniel even understood all *kinds of* visions and dreams.

(Pro 8:14 NASB) "**Counsel** is mine and sound wisdom; I am **understanding, power** is mine.

(Pro 15:33 NASB) The **fear of the LORD** is the instruction for wisdom, And before honor *comes* humility.

(Pro 14:8 NASB) The wisdom of the **sensible** is to understand his way, But the foolishness of fools is deceit.

(Pro 29:15 NASB) The **rod and reproof** give wisdom, But a child who gets his own way brings shame to his

(Ecc 7:12 NASB) For wisdom is **protection** *just as* money is protection, But the advantage of knowledge is that wisdom preserves the lives of its possessors.

(2Ti 3:15 NASB) and that from childhood you have known the sacred writings which are able to give you the wisdom that leads to **salvation** through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

(Col 4:5 NASB) **Conduct** yourselves with wisdom toward outsiders, making the most of the opportunity.

(Pro 2:7 NASB) He stores up sound wisdom for the **upright**; *He is* a shield to those who walk in integrity,

(Ecc 1:18 NASB) Because in much wisdom there is much **grief**, and increasing knowledge *results in* increasing **pain**.

(Ecc 2:13 NASB) And I saw that wisdom excels **folly** as light excels darkness.

2. Where does wisdom come from?

Apocrypha Ecclesiasticus 1:1 **All wisdom cometh from the Lord**, and is with him for ever.

(2Ch 9:23 NASB) And all the kings of the earth were seeking the presence of Solomon, to hear his **wisdom which God had put in his heart**.

3. How can one get wisdom?

Apocrypha Wisdom of Solomon 8:21 Nevertheless, when I perceived that I **could not otherwise obtain her, except god gave her me**; and **that was point of wisdom also to know whose gift she was**; I prayed unto the Lord, and besought him, and with my **whole heart** I said,

Jesus said that we were to ask before we can receive (Mt7:8). Wisdom may only be received thru prayers. Many people pray but it's only the few that have their prayers penetrate up to heaven for God to hear them.

RSV Matthew 7:8 For every one who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened.



Wisdom 7:7 Wherefore I prayed, and understanding was given me; I called upon God, and the spirit of wisdom came to me.

(Jas 1:5 NASB) But if any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all generously and without reproach, and it will be given to him.

4. What should you be asking for in wisdom?

a) What is the purpose of wisdom?

What is the ultimate purpose of wisdom from God's perspective? - To know (Eph1:17, Wisdom9:10) and to guide you to what is pleasing to the Lord (Wisdom9:11).

Apocrypha Wisdom of Solomon 9:9-11

:9 And wisdom was with thee; which knoweth thy works, and was present when thou madest the world, and knew that was acceptable in thy sight, and right in thy commandments

:10 O send her out of thy holy heavens, and from the throne of thy glory, that being present she may labour with me, that I may know what is pleasing unto thee.

:11 For she knoweth and understandeth all things, and she shall lead me soberly in my doings, and preserve me in her power.

RSV Ephesians 1:17 that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him,

This study began with a question of what request would you want granted by Jesus. King Solomon got that opportunity in 1Kg3:5,6,9-10 and he asked for wisdom in order to be a righteous ruler of God's people not for personal gain or profit.

King Solomon had this very choice as we read in 1Kg3:5,6,9-10

RSV 1 Kings 3:5-10

5 At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I shall give you."

6 And Solomon said,

9 Give thy servant therefore an understanding mind to govern thy people, that I may discern between good and evil; for who is able to govern this thy great people?"

10 It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this.

4. What should you be asking for in wisdom?

b) What must you do before asking for wisdom?

Wisdom is a powerful gift which can bring upon curses for those that is not grounded properly. It's similar to the Lottery curse. Those who can't handle money will blow the cash and be destitute but those grounded in Godly principles of money will endure and prosper. Those seeking wisdom must be asking with a heart singularly directed to Jesus and not be double hearted and must be ready for temptations.

Apocrypha Ecclesiasticus1:28 Distrust not the fear of the Lord when thou art poor; and come not unto him with a double heart.

Apocrypha Ecclesiasticus 2:1-5

:1 My son, if thou come to serve the Lord, prepare thy soul for temptation.

:2 Set thy heart aright, and constantly endure, and make not haste in time of trouble.

:3 Cleave unto him, and depart not away, that thou mayest be increased at thy last end

:4 **Whatsoever is brought upon thee take cheerfully**, and be patient when thou art changed to a low estate,

:5 For gold is tried in the fire, and **acceptable men in the furnace of adversity**.

Apocrypha Ecclesiasticus 18:23-24

:23 Before thou prayest, **prepare thyself**; **and be not as one that tempteth the Lord**

:24 Think upon the wrath that shall be at the end, and the time of vengeance, when he shall turn away his face.

If you desire to be acceptable then you will have a trial by fire.

4. What should you be asking for in wisdom?

c) What is wisdom?

Wisdom is the Holy Spirit (Wisdom9:17) and the power of God (Wisdom7:25). This may have been obvious to other people but it never occurred to me before. I had believed that wisdom was the accumulation of diverse knowledge which made you wise.

Apocrypha Wisdom 1:6 For **wisdom is a loving spirit**,...

Apocrypha Wisdom 9:17 And thy counsel who hath known, except thou **give wisdom, and send thy Holy Spirit** from above?

Apocrypha Wisdom7:25 For she is the **breath of the power of God**, and a pure influence flowing from the glory of the Almighty; therefore can no defiled thing fall into her



This is supportive by 1Cor2:12 where it speaks that the Spirit is from God and 1Cor12:4-11 lists some of the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Knowing that wisdom is the Holy Spirit we can see What Jesus Did (WJD) to get the Holy Spirit. Jesus received the Holy Spirit only after he was physically water baptized – Matt3:16.

RSV 1 Corinthians 2:12 Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the **Spirit which is from God, that we might understand the gifts** bestowed on us by God.

RSV 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

4 Now **there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit**;

5 and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord;

6 and there are varieties of working, but it is the same God who inspires them all in every one.

7 To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.

8 To one is given through the Spirit **the utterance of wisdom**, and to another **the utterance of knowledge** according to the same Spirit,

9 to **another faith** by the same Spirit, to another **gifts of healing** by the one Spirit,

10 to another the **working of miracles**, to another **prophecy**, to another the **ability to distinguish between spirits**, to another various kinds of **tongues**, to another the **interpretation of tongues**.

11 All these are inspired by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.

RSV Matthew 3:16-17

16 And **when Jesus was baptized**, he went **up** immediately **from the water**, and behold, the heavens were opened and he saw **the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and alighting on him**;

17 and lo, a voice from heaven, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

5. What must you have as a precursor to getting wisdom?

In order to get wisdom a crucial factor must be had. You must have opportunity to study (2Tim2:15, Ecc38:24-25). A very good example is the Martha and Mary in Lk10:38-42 where Martha was busy serving while Mary who wasn't working sat and listened and remember Faith comes from hearing.



Apocrypha Ecclesiasticus38:24-25,33-34

:24 The **wisdom of a learned man cometh by opportunity of leisure**: and he that hath little business shall become wise.

:25 **How can he get wisdom that holdeth the plough**, and that glorieth in the goad, that drives oxen, and is occupied in their labours, and whose talk is of bullocks

:33 They shall not be sought for in publick counsel, nor sit high in the congregation; they shall not sit on the judges' seat, nor understand the sentence of judgment; they cannot declare justice and judgment; and they shall not be found where parables are spoken.

:34 But they will maintain the state of the world, and [all] their desire is in the work of their craft

WEB 2 Timothy 2:15 **Study to show thyself approved to God**, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

ASV Luke 10:38-42

38 Now as they went on their way, he entered into a certain village: and a certain woman named Martha received him into her house.

39 And she had a sister called **Mary, who also sat at the Lord's feet, and heard his word**.

40 But **Martha was cumbered about much serving**; and she came up to him, and said, Lord, dost thou not care that my sister did leave me to serve alone? bid her therefore that she help me.

41 But the Lord answered and said unto her, Martha, Martha, thou art anxious and troubled about many things:

42 but one thing is needful: for **Mary hath chosen the good part**, which shall not be taken away from her.

Apocrypha Ecclesiasticus 39:1-6

:1 But he that giveth his mind to the law of the most High, and is occupied in the meditation thereof, will seek out the wisdom of all the ancient, and be occupied in prophecies.

:2 He will keep the sayings of the renowned men; and where subtil parables are, he will be there also.

:3 He will seek out the secrets of grave sentences, and be conversant in dark parables.

:5 He will give his heart to resort early to the Lord that made him, and will pray before the most High, and will open his mouth in prayer, and make supplication for his sins.

:6 When the great Lord will, he shall be filled with the spirit of understanding; he shall pour out wise sentences, and give thanks unto the Lord in his prayer.



Wisdom gets you into the wedding feast but to sit in an honorable seat requires much on your part.

Looking at Heb 11 at all the patriarchs that Jesus honored by recognizing their status; one thing is clear. They all suffered greatly.

Job1:13-19, 2:7-9 Job lost his oxen, asses, sheep, camels, servants, sons, daughters. His wife and friends turned on him and had boils from head to toe yet he did curse God (Job1:22).

ASV Job 1:13-19

13 And it fell on a day when his sons and his daughters were eating and drinking wine in their eldest brother's house,

14 that there came a messenger unto Job, and said, **The oxen were plowing, and the asses** feeding beside them;

15 and the Sabeans fell upon them, and **took them away**: yea, they have **slain the servants** with the edge of the sword; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee.

16 While he was yet speaking, there came also another, and said, The fire of God is fallen from heaven, and hath **burned up the sheep and the servants**, and consumed them; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee.

17 While he was yet speaking, there came also another, and said, The Chaldeans made three bands, and fell upon **the camels, and have taken them away**, yea, and **slain the servants** with the edge of the sword; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee.

18 While he was yet speaking, there came also another, and said, **Thy sons and thy daughters** were eating and drinking wine in their eldest brother's house;

19 and, behold, there came a great wind from the wilderness, and smote the four corners of the house, and it fell upon the young men, and they **are dead**; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee.

ASV Job 1:22 In all this Job sinned not, nor charged God foolishly.

ASV Job 2:7-9

7 So Satan went forth from the presence of Jehovah, and **smote Job with sore boils from the sole of his foot unto his crown**.

8 And he took him a potsherd to scrape himself therewith; and he sat among the ashes.

9 Then said his wife unto him, Dost thou still hold fast thine integrity? renounce God, and die.

Paul also suffered greatly 2Cor11:23-27

ASV 2 Corinthians 11:23-27

23 Are they ministers of Christ? (I speak as one beside himself) I more; in labors more abundantly, **in prisons** more abundantly, **in stripes** above measure, **in deaths oft**.

24 Of the Jews five times received I forty stripes save one.

25 Thrice was I **beaten with rods**, once was I **stoned**, thrice I suffered **shipwreck**, a night and a day have I been in the deep;

26 in journeyings often, in **perils of rivers**, in perils **of robbers**, in perils from **my countrymen**, in perils from **the Gentiles**, in perils **in the city**, in perils **in the wilderness**, in perils **in the sea**, in perils among **false brethren**;

27 **in labor and travail**, in watchings often, in **hunger** and **thirst**, in **fastings** often, in **cold** and **nakedness**.

Paul was seeking a better resurrection – the resurrection for the marriage supper and Paul was willing to endure to reach that goal.

To be seated with Paul we must also ask for those trials in life and the strength to endure and conquer those tests so that we are proven worthy. Who are we proving ourselves to?

Jesus, being God, knows all our capabilities but Jesus and the Father are one (Jn10:30) and that is only one witness since 2 or 3 witnesses are needed to establish a fact. Who is the other witnesses? Satan and the other Angels in heaven. Satan is accusing to God day and night (Rev12:10, Job1:9-11, Job2:4-5) his people and when we pass the test then Satan is a witness and cannot accuse you and we are proven worthy.



If you desire to be in the marriage feast at the highest chair possible then you have to do something that many people will not do. Ask Jesus to put you thru all the qualification tests like Job and Paul went thru. Before you ask Jesus for this remember you are asking for pain and suffering now but for a greater treasure in the future. This is not a revocable vow and saying that it was a mistake will truly cause God to be angry with you - Ecc5:2,4-6. If you choose to ask Jesus to bring in trials and tribulations then pray for strength and endurance and great will be your reward in heaven.

ASV Ecclesiastes 5:2,4-6

2 **Be not rash with thy mouth, and let not thy heart be hasty to utter anything before God;** for God is in heaven, and thou upon earth: therefore let thy words be few.

4 **When thou vowest a vow unto God, defer not to pay it;** for he hath no pleasure in fools: pay that which thou vowest.

5 Better is it that thou shouldest not vow, than that thou shouldest vow and not pay.

6 Suffer not thy mouth to cause thy flesh to sin; **neither say thou before the angel, that is was an error: wherefore should God be angry at thy voice,** and destroy the work of thy hands?

And asking for a seat carries consequences as the sons of thunder discovered in Mat20:21-23 when they asked to be seated to the right and left of Jesus and Jesus said that those were reserved for others but in explaining that it's alluding that the seating positions are determined by the actions here on earth – more suffering, pain and endurance then more honor at the marriage feast. This request for an honorable seat at the marriage feast carries a tremendous amount of weight but remember what it's said in Mt19:29 – you must love God more than father, mother, son, daughter and the world.

NASB Mat20:21-23

Mat 20:21 And he said to her, What is your desire? She says to him, Let my two sons be seated, the one at your right hand, and the other at your left, in your kingdom.

Mat 20:22 But Jesus made answer and said, **You have no idea what you are requesting.** Are you able to take of the cup which I am about to take?

Mat 20:23 They say to him, We are able. He says to them, **Truly, you will take of my cup: but to be seated at my right hand and at my left is not for me to give, but it is for those for whom my Father has made it ready.**

(Mat 19:29 NASB) **"And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or farms for My name's sake, will receive many times as much, and will inherit eternal life.**

FF Mat 16:27 For the Son of man will come in future in the majesty of His Father, accompanied by His angels; and then **HE WILL REWARD EVERY ONE IN PROPORTION TO HIS ACTIONS.**

Consider what is important for you: this world or the next. If the next world is important then consider asking for the trials and tribulations to perfect you along with the strength of endurance to overcome those fires.

Regards,
David O'Malley

Called/Chosen + Hear + Believe + Repent + Confess + Baptize + Abide = Salvation -> Proclaim
Mt22:14 + Lk11:28 + Jn3:16 + Mk6:12 +Rm10:9 +Acts2:38 + Heb10:26 = 1 Pt 3:21 -> Mt28:19-20

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ASV Matthew 25:1-12

- 1 Then shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins, who took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom.
- 2 And five of them were foolish, and **five were wise.**
- 3 For the foolish, when they took their lamps, took no oil with them:
- 4 but the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps.
- 5 Now while the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept.
- 6 **But at midnight there is a cry, Behold, the bridegroom! Come ye forth to meet him.**
- 7 **Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps.**
- 8 And the foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil; for our lamps are going out.
- 9 But the wise answered, saying, Peradventure there will not be enough for us and you: go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves.
- 10 And while they went away to buy, the bridegroom came; and **they that were ready went in with him to the marriage feast: and the door was shut.**
- 11 Afterward came also the other virgins, saying, Lord, Lord, open to us.
- 12 But he answered and said, Verily I say unto you, I know you not.

ASV Matthew 22:2-3,8-14

- 2 The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a certain king, who made a **marriage feast for his son,**
- 3 and sent forth his servants to call them that were bidden to the marriage feast: and they would not come.
- 8 Then saith he to his servants, The wedding is ready, but they that were bidden were not worthy.
- 9 Go ye therefore unto the partings of the highways, and as many as ye shall find, bid to the marriage feast.
- 10 And those servants went out into the highways, and gathered together all as many as they found, both bad and good: and the wedding was filled with guests.
- 11 But when the king came in to behold the guests, he saw there a **man who had not on a wedding-garment:**
- 12 and he saith unto him, Friend, how camest thou in hither not having a wedding-garment? And he was speechless.
- 13 Then **the king said to the servants, Bind him hand and foot, and cast him out into the outer darkness;** there shall be the weeping and the gnashing of teeth.
- 14 For many are called, but few chosen.

ASV Luke 19:12-26

- 12 He said therefore, **A certain nobleman went into a far country, to receive for himself a kingdom, and to return.**
- 13 And he **called ten servants** of his, and **gave them ten pounds,** and said unto them, Trade ye herewith till I come.
- 14 But his citizens hated him, and sent an ambassage after him, saying, We will not that this man reign over us.
- 15 And it came to pass, when he was come back again, having received the kingdom, that he commanded these servants, unto whom he had given the money, to be called to him, that he might know what they had gained by trading.
- 16 And the first came before him, saying, Lord, thy pound hath made ten pounds more.
- 17 And he said unto him, Well done, thou good servant: because thou wast found faithful in a very little, have thou authority over ten cities.
- 18 And the second came, saying, Thy pound, Lord, hath made five pounds.
- 19 And he said unto him also, Be thou also over five cities.
- 20 And another came, saying, Lord, behold, here is thy pound, which I kept laid up in a napkin:
- 21 for I feared thee, because thou art an austere man: thou takest up that which thou layedst not down, and reapest that which thou didst not sow.
- 22 He saith unto him, Out of thine own mouth will I judge thee, thou wicked servant. Thou knewest that I am an austere man, taking up that which I laid not down, and reaping that which I laid not down, and reaping that which I did not sow;
- 23 then wherefore gavest thou not my money into the bank, and I at my coming should have required it with interest?
- 24 And he said unto them that stood by, Take away from him the pound, and give it unto him that hath the ten pounds.
- 25 And they said unto him, Lord, he hath ten pounds.
- 26 I say unto you, that unto every one that hath shall be given; but from him that hath not, even that which he hath shall be taken away from him.