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Wisdom - Wisdom is the correct application, correct in timing and action, through understanding illuminated by The Holy Spirit of a sought-after knowledge from God's word or people who have learned to apply it correctly.

For who knows what is good for man in life, all the days of his vain life which he passes like a shadow? Who can tell a man what will happen after him under the sun?

ECCLESIASTES 6:12

“better” means [according to Merriam-Websters Collegiate dictionary]

- more attractive, favorable, or commendable**
- more advantageous or effective**

A good name [earned by honorable behavior, godly wisdom, moral courage, and personal integrity] is more desirable than great riches; And favor is better than silver and gold.

PROVERBS 22:1 [AMPLIFIED BIBLE]

...Integrity characterizes the entire person, not just part of him. He is righteous and honest through and through. He is not only that inside but also in his outer actions.

KENT HUGHES

For to me, to live is Christ [He is my source of joy, my reason to live] and to die is gain [for I will be with Him in eternity].

PHILIPPIANS 1:21

**"A good name is a name that is written
in the Lamb's book of life, and that is
better than the sweetest of all ointments."**

CHARLES SPURGEON

When you die, there's going to be a tombstone. It's going to have your name. It's gonna have the year you're born, and the day you die. In between, there's going to be a dash. And that dash is going to represent everything you did in your life, good and bad. That's how you're remembered. What do you want your dash to represent?

**You know my heart is heavy
And the hurt is deep
But when I feel like giving up
You're reminding me
That we all fall down sometimes
When I hit the ground
You lift me up when I am weak
Your arms wrap around me
Your love catches me so I'm letting go**

Laughter can be like medicine that heals the broken heart, but sorrow can be like nourishing food that strengthens the inner person.

**Faithful are the wounds of a friend [who
corrects out of love and concern],
But the kisses of an enemy are deceitful
[because they serve his hidden agenda].**

PROVERBS 27:6. AMPLIFIED BIBLE

**He who walks [as a companion] with
wise men will be wise, But the
companions of [conceited, dull-witted]
fools [are fools themselves and] will
experience harm.**

PROVERBS 13:20 AMPLIFIED BIBLE

"No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon [money, possessions, fame, status, or whatever is valued more than the Lord].

MATTHEW 6:24 AMPLIFIED BIBLE

**"Lord, make me to know my end,
And what is the measure of my days,
That I may know how frail I am.**

PSALMS 39:4

**Indeed, You have made my days as
handbreadths, And my age is as nothing
before You; Certainly every man at his
best state is but vapor. Selah**

PSALMS 39:5

**So teach us to number our days,
That we may gain a heart of wisdom.**

PSALMS 90:12

“hasten” – sense: to act or move at a high speed.

Be angry [at sin—at immorality, at injustice, at ungodly behavior], yet do not sin; do not let your anger [cause you shame, nor allow it to] last until the sun goes down.

EPHESIANS 4:26 AMPLIFIED BIBLE

**And do not give the devil an opportunity
[to lead you into sin by holding a
grudge, or nurturing anger, or harboring
resentment, or cultivating bitterness].**

EPHESIANS 4:27 AMPLIFIED BIBLE

**Understand [this], my beloved brethren.
Let every man be quick to hear [a ready
listener], slow to speak, slow to take
offense and to get angry.**

JAMES 1:19 AMPLIFIED BIBLE

**For human anger does not accomplish
God's righteousness.**

JAMES 1:20 NEW ENGLISH TRANSLATION

Not that I have already obtained it [this goal of being Christlike] or have already been made perfect, but I actively press on [a]so that I may take hold of that [perfection] for which Christ Jesus took hold of me and made me His own

PHILIPPIANS 3:12 AMPLIFIED BIBLE

Brothers and sisters, I do not consider that I have made it my own yet; but one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and reaching forward to what lies ahead,

PHILIPPIANS 3:13. AMPLIFIED BIBLE

14 I press on toward the goal to win the [heavenly] prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

PHILIPPIANS 3:14 AMPLIFIED BIBLE

- 1. Do the right thing every day. Instead of trying to make a name for yourself, make your name for The Lord that will last. Seek to have a good reputation through sound decision-making.**
- 2. Live life every day for one day. What do you want your dash to represent?**
- 3. Remember your end; Life is not always a party.**
- 4. Keep one ear open to the wise, and the other ear closed to fools.**

5. Don't take shortcuts; they're dead ends in God's economy

6. Learn patience along the way

7. Learn to control your temper because anger labels you "a fool."

8. It's hard to move forward while looking backward. Spend significantly more time looking through the windshield of life rather than your rearview mirror.

9. BONUS ONE...that we didn't cover...Keep the main thing the main thing.

Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God [worship Him with awe-filled reverence, knowing that He is almighty God] and keep His commandments, For this is man's all [his duty, the full, original purpose of his creation, the object of God's providence, the root of character, the foundation of all happiness, the adjustment to all inharmonious circumstances and conditions under the sun]

ECCLESIASTES 12:13

**For God will bring every work into
judgment, Including every secret thing,
Whether good or evil**

ECCLESIASTES 12:14