

**SERIES: TREASURING WISDOM****Proverbs 2:9-10****The Heart Condition of a Wise Person**

Romans 1:18-25

**Proverbs 12:8**

A man will be **commended according to his wisdom**, but he who is of a **perverse heart** will be despised.

**1. The heart condition of a wise person has an openness to **learn** God's truth and a willingness to be conformed to God's will**

Proverbs 12:1

Proverbs 19:27

Proverbs 23:12-14, 23

**Proverbs 12:1**

Whoever loves **instruction** loves knowledge, but he who hates **correction** is stupid.

**Proverbs 23**

<sup>13</sup> Do not withhold **correction** from a child, for if you beat him with a rod, he will not die.

<sup>14</sup> You shall beat him with a rod, and deliver his soul from hell.

(Steps for correcting your children ages 1 – 6:

First **teach**, then warn, give one more **reminder**, then physically discipline)

**2. The heart condition of a wise person exercising **diligence** leads to **fruitfulness****

Proverbs 12:2-3, 11-12, 24, 27

Proverbs 13:4

Proverbs 15:19

Proverbs 22:13

Proverbs 24:30-34

Proverbs 26:13-16

Matthew 13:20-23

**Proverbs 12:24**

The hand of **the diligent** [threshing sledge was a tool used to separate heads of grain from the stalk] will rule, but **the lazy man** will be put to forced labor.

**Proverbs 14:30**

A **sound heart** is life to the body, but **envy** is rottenness to the bones.