



WISE UP

SERIES OVERVIEW

The world is noisy. More voices compete for kids' attention than ever before. So how can we help them learn to decipher the wisdom of heaven from the counterfeit wisdom of earth?

By opening the pages of Scripture, God's wisdom is at our fingertips! The book of Proverbs opens a window to His divine wisdom. During this series, the kids you lead will gaze through that window with you, and the wisdom of God will cut through the noise. Through the ancient words, God will show kids how to walk in His ways now. He will show them how to wise up!

WISE UP ELEMENTARY SCOPE AND SEQUENCE

	Lesson Title	Scripture	Wonder Truth	Word of Wonder
July 7	Wisdom Comes from God	Proverbs 1	God Is the Source of Wisdom	Take hold of my words with all your heart. Keep my commands, and you will live. Get wisdom, and get understanding. Don't forget my words or turn away from them. —Proverbs 4:4b-5
July 14	Seeking God's Wisdom	Proverbs 2	God Gives Wisdom When We Need It	
July 21	God Guides Our Paths	Proverbs 3	God's Wisdom Guides Our Paths	
July 28	Words of Wisdom	Proverbs 8	God Wants Us to Listen to Wisdom	

SERIES INVITATION

Sometimes I feel exhausted after scrolling through my phone. Do you ever feel that way? The world is a swirling tempest of competing values, ideas, and suggestions. So many images. So many messages. All shouting, “Look at me! Look at me!”

Along the way, you might encounter all manner of slick characters. Mr. Pride with his pomp and bluster. Ms. Greed with her measuring stick. Mr. Smooth-talker. Ms. Glossy-finish. “Look at me! Look at me!”

How can we find the right path? How can we distinguish true wisdom from the many counterfeits, parodies, and empty promises?

“Take hold of my words with all your heart. Keep my commands, and you will live. Get wisdom, and get understanding. Don’t forget my words or turn away from them” (Proverbs 4:4b–5). God doesn’t leave us without an anchor in the storm. The anchor is His Word. God is the source of wisdom, and He isn’t stingy with it. He delights in giving wisdom to those who seek Him. He delights in guiding our paths when we listen to Him.

This series is an opportunity to seek wisdom with your whole heart and to point kids to the true source of wisdom, goodness, beauty, and strength. Wisdom is out there, standing tall enough to be found amongst the counterfeits. Are you ready to wise up?

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