

**READ THROUGH THE BIBLE STUDY SCHEDULE FOR 3/11/13 TO 3/17/13**

**MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2013 Read Proverbs 1-3**

Immediately, as the Book of Proverbs begins, Solomon introduces the theme that dominates this book; wisdom. *Wisdom* as used in the Book of Proverbs involves the ability to live life with skill, to apply to everyday life the knowledge of God and His will. As Solomon tells us up front, respect and reverence for the Lord is wisdom's prerequisite. We don't start being wise without it (1:7). As you read, note the urgency in Solomon's tone. How anxious are you to earn godly wisdom?

**TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2013 Read Proverbs 4**

As chapter 4 begins, Solomon quotes his father, King David. In fact, the address "my son" punctuates all of Proverbs 1-8. As you read today's chapter, ask yourself what personal experiences equipped David to teach his son Solomon these truths.

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, 2013 Read Proverbs 5-6**

Some sinful behaviors cause so much pain, so much destruction in any culture, at *any* time, that the Holy Spirit has made a special effort to warn His people against them. Adultery is one of those sins. You'll read one of these warnings in 5:1-23 and another in 6:20-35. Also note the seven things God hates in 6:6-19.

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The Lord wants His people to know the wise paths to take and then to take them. He has not hidden these paths from us. In today's reading you will see wisdom personified, standing (8:2-3) in the

shopping mall and on the street corner, shouting God's will to all who will listen. As we read, we can't help but see the truth unfold- Jesus Christ Himself is God's Wisdom.

**SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 2013** Read Proverbs 9

You may recognize the picture that begins Proverbs 9. The banquet that wisdom spreads looks a lot like the one the Lord describes in Luke 14:15-24. As the rest of Proverbs 9 shows, the hosts of both banquets face the path of rejected invitations. Think about God's banquet as you read.

**SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2013** WORSHIP WITH US AND COME TO THE LORD'S TABLE FOR HIS SUPPER IN THE MORNING AND THEN CATCH UP ON ANY READINGS FROM THE WEEK YOU MISSED.