

Seeking God through the Word

Last week Steve shared that during the six weeks leading up to Easter (i.e., Lent), we are going to enter a time that we are calling *A Season of Seeking*. He also shared that between now and then we are all being encouraged to do three things: (1) decide **that** we will seek God; (2) decide **how** we will seek God; and (3) discern **why** we will seek God. In today's study as well as the next two, we are looking at ways that God has given us to seek Him – through the Word, through fasting, and through prayer. Today, as we look at Proverbs 2, we consider seeking God through the Word. The father in this Proverb invites his son to gain wisdom through his father and mother's instruction (1:8). For us, this invitation to gain wisdom is the same. We are to seek wisdom through God's instruction – His Word.

Opening Discussion: How would you describe your current desire to seek God through the word?

Read Proverbs 2

1. What sticks out to you in this passage?
2. How does the father describe what it looks like to seek wisdom (vv. 1-4)?
3. The father says that IF we seek wisdom, we will find it for the Lord gives wisdom (v. 6). He says that wisdom will come into your heart (v. 10). What does this mean?
4. What are some of the benefits of wisdom that you see in this passage?

Brian said:

Seeking God through His word will always be a central component to how anyone seeks God. And so, I want to offer some thoughts about how you might seek God through the Scriptures. . . First, **make it a daily rhythm**. Unless I'm fasting, I eat food every day. Every day I want the nourishment that food provides for my body. Why wouldn't I want that same thing spiritually? Time in the word is all about seeking to nurture a growing relationship with God. It is about coming to Him for wisdom that will guide your life. Seek God daily through His word. Decide that this will be part of your **how**. . . And then **make sure you have a plan** – Think through the what, when, and where. If I have no plan for WHAT I'm going to read in the Bible, my motivation tends to wain quickly. But with a plan I'm motivated.

5. Is time in the word a daily rhythm in your life? Explain. If it isn't, do you want it to be? If so, what is that going to take to begin develop that rhythm?

6. Do you have a plan right now for what you are studying? Do you have a plan for when and where you meet with God?

7. How does Proverbs 2 affect your resolve to make or keep a regular discipline of seeking God in the Word?

Practicing the Rhythms of Rooted this Week

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Daily Devotion: Make sure you have a plan for what you are reading in the Bible. Suggestions might include a chapter each day from one of the Gospels, or Proverbs, or Galatians or Ephesians. Prayerfully, read and reflect on a chapter a day. The You Version Bible has many suggested reading plans that you might find helpful.



Prayer: This week in your pray time invite God to strengthen your desire to seek him through the Word. Ask him for wisdom. We need to seek it, but it is also a gift from God (Prov. 2:6).