The True Wisdom of a Believer

Text: Proverbs 1:7-9

<u>Introduction</u>: It's a common thing to seek after wisdom and knowledge. People spend thousands of dollars on their education and training. But what is true wisdom? How can we make sure that we are seeking after spiritual wisdom? There is a familiar proverb that holds the key to wisdom (**Proverbs 1:7-9**). A truly wise believer has a

Discussion:

I. A Reverence of Godliness

"The fear of the Lord. " (v.7)

I Timothy 6:11

II Peter 1:5-9

II. A Request For Knowledge

".... is the beginning of knowledge...." (v.7)

Romans 11:33

II Peter 3:18

III. A Rejection of Foolishness

".... but fools despise wisdom and instruction" (v.7)

Proverbs 19:3

I Corinthians 3:19

IV. A Respect for Authority

"My son, hear the instruction of your father, and do not forsake the law of your mother." (v.8)

Exodus 20:12 Ephesians 6:1

V. A Reward for Faithfulness

"For they will be a graceful ornament on your head, and chains about your neck." (v.9)

Matthew 25:21

Galatians 5:22-23

<u>Conclusion</u>: Do you follow what is true? Are you a believer? Have you repented of your sins? Have you confessed Jesus as your Lord? Have been immersed for the forgiveness of your sins? Are you walking faithfully according to God's Holy Word?

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