

Definition

Wisdom is <u>experience</u> and <u>knowledge</u> together with the power of applying them <u>practically</u>. (Definition according to Oxford)

How important is wisdom?

Proverbs 4:7 Wisdom is supreme therefore get wisdom. Though it cost

All you have get understanding.

Proverbs 19:8 He who gets wisdom loves his own soul; he who cherishes

understanding prospers.

Golden rule

God's wisdom is not man's wisdom – Ps 111:10

How do I get wisdom?

James 1:5 If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives

generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to

him.

Be <u>teachable</u> in order to get the <u>knowledge</u> you need.

- a) Teachability is the ability to accept council, guidance and advice from others.
- b) Without Teachability you are severely handicapped and suffer from a disease called 'ignorance'. Ignorance is not stupidity; it is merely lack of information.
 - i) There is a cure for ignorance, it is called humility. Every other cure besides humility is temporary.
 - ii) Humility can be defined as follows: 'Putting your ego down so God can bless you!' Humility is the willingness to lay down your ego and sit at the feet of someone who has the wisdom you need.

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c) Teachability opens your eyes to awesome things...

How do the weak say 'I am strong' and the poor say 'I am rich' other than being obedient to God's principles? Joel 3:10

To get wisdom you need to be teachable, this means that the moment you are doing something you are unsure of you must get godly input as soon as possible.

Summary

Experience can be an enemy if it breeds bad habits! Rather apply wisdom than figure it out as you go along...

It's very dumb to run around lost when there are already maps available to you!

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