

SERMON OUTLINE & DISCUSSION QUESTIONS
AUGUST 15, 2021

THE FIRST PRINCIPLE OF WISDOM
PROVERBS 1:7

MAIN THOUGHT & OUTLINE

Living wisely means starting and continuing in the knowledge that God is great, his wisdom is unmatched, and his directions for your life are perfect.

- I.** Wanting to Live Wisely (v.1-6)
- II.** The Fear of the LORD (v.7a)
- III.** Wisdom's Beginning (v.7b)
- IV.** A Foolish Alternative (v.7b)

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION & DISCUSSION

1. How has Proverbs been helpful to your life for the LORD?
What has been a particularly profitable section or verse?
2. After hearing today's message, how would you explain the "fear of the LORD" to a friend who's never heard of it before?
3. How would you foster a deeper fear of the LORD? What difference would this make to your reading of Proverbs?
4. List some ways the wisdom of the LORD differs from the wisdom of this world?

FURTHER READING: Exodus 20:20; Job 28:28; Psalm 111:10; Isaiah 11:1-3; Rom 11:33; 1 Cor 1:25, 30