

Our Talk It Over is prepared each week by the teaching pastor and is designed to prompt insights, questions and dialogue based on the life experience of each listener. Using these in a group setting after hearing the message is similar to the practices of the early church in Israel.

## WALKING IN WISDOM Week 5

- 1. We often know what's wise but forget to practice it. What are some examples in your own life where you knew the right thing to do but ignored or forgot it? How can we stay mindful of wisdom in our daily lives?
- 2. Proverbs 22:24-25 warns against being close to hot-tempered people because their habits can influence us.



Have you ever experienced this in your own life? How do we balance showing love to difficult people while also protecting ourselves from negative influence?

- 3. Proverbs 22:26-27 warns against taking on financial burdens that we can't handle. What are some modern ways people overextend themselves financially? How can biblical wisdom shape the way we manage our money and make financial decisions?
- 4. Proverbs 23:4-5 cautions against wearing ourselves out to get rich and chasing wealth that quickly disappears. In what ways does our culture push us to define success by money? How can we refocus on true success that aligns with God's wisdom?
- 5. Proverbs 23:6-8 warns about people who pretend to be generous but have selfish motives. Have you ever experienced this? How can we check our own hearts to make sure our giving (time, resources, money) is done with the right attitude?
- 6. Proverbs 24:11-12 challenges us to act when we see injustice rather than turning a blind eye. What are some areas in today's world—or even in your own community—where you feel called to take action? What's one small step you can take this week to stand up for what's right?
- 7. The Book of Proverbs contains 31 chapters, making it easy to read one chapter per day. What do you think would change in your life if you made a habit of reading a chapter of Proverbs each day? Would you be willing to try it for the next week?