



LIFE ANCHORS

You Are Not Smarter than God



Proverbs 3:5-6

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And do not lean on your own
understanding.*

*In all your ways acknowledge Him,
And He will make your paths straight.*



One of the biggest barrier to our knowledge of the Bible is many times our familiarity with the Bible



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3. We observe another 'outside' of us who is stronger and greater than our trouble
4. We know that we have a connection to that 'other'.



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3. Persistent insistence on knowing God's wisdom



- a. Bank on God
- b. Don't bank on yourself.
- c. Know God or Invite God into every
circumstance or situation



Proverbs 3:1

My son, do not forget my teaching,
But let your heart keep my commandments;



Proverbs 2:1-3

My son, if you will receive **my sayings**,
And treasure **my commandments** within you,
Make your ear attentive **to wisdom**,
Incline your heart **to understanding**;
For if you cry for discernment,
Lift your voice for understanding;



Proverbs 2:4-6

If you **seek her** as silver,
And **search for her** as for hidden treasures;
Then you will discern the fear of the Lord,
And discover the knowledge of God.

For the Lord gives wisdom;
From His mouth come knowledge and
understanding.



Isaiah 55:8-9

*"For My thoughts are not your thoughts,
Neither are your ways My ways," declares the
Lord. "For as the heavens are higher than the
earth, So are My ways higher than your ways,
And My thoughts than your thoughts.*



I would rather control than trust!



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Proverbs 26:12

*Do you see a man wise in his own eyes?
There is more hope for a fool than for him*



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- a. Does God's Word change my thinking?
- b. Am I still wise in my own eyes?
- c. Am I willing to obey God when it costs?



Daniel 3:17-18

"If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the furnace of blazing fire; and He will deliver us out of your hand, O king. "But even if He does not, let it be known to you, O king, that we are not going to serve your gods or worship the golden image that you have set up."



Know - God's character



*We trust not because a god
exists but because this God is
our God!!!*



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Talk - talk to God about everything, all the time



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Talk - talk to God about everything, all the time
Give - Give everything to God, all your heart,
All your life.



Psalms 86:11

*Teach me your way, O Lord,
and I will walk in your truth;
give me an **undivided heart**,
that I may fear your name.*



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