

Love God



with all your mind

Key scriptures

1 Corinthians 2:15-16
1 Kings 3:3-14; 1 Kings 4:29-34
1 Kings 11:1-11
Ecclesiastes 1:16-18; 2:15-16
Romans 7:15-19
James 1:5, 22-25; 3:13-18
Ephesians 1:17
Colossians 1:9-12
Galatians 5:22-23
1 Corinthians 13:2
1 Corinthians 9:24-27
Hebrews 12:1-3

Main Points

1. Wisdom (even godly wisdom) does not automatically produce wise, righteous living.
2. Wise, righteous living requires self-control to be applied to the wisdom we have received from God.
3. Right-standing (justified) > right-knowing (wisdom) > right-living (righteousness)
4. For God's word of wisdom to do its work in us we perseverance - which comes through trial.
5. Knowing Christ (the image of whom is the goal which lies before us) equips us to identify with the future self God is transforming us into.

Questions

1. What is God saying to you through this message and scriptures?
2. Why do spiritually wise people still make horrible choices?
3. How can we better visualise and identify with the future self God wants to grow us into?
4. How can we develop self control, and perseverance?

Have a question about or thought on something in this message? Get in touch with Clay, he'd love to hear from you, clay@leanteam.co.nz