

WORDS OF WISDOM





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WORDS OF WISDOM: BUILD YOUR HOUSE ON WORDS OF WISDOM

Proverbs 24:3-4

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ICEBREAKER



Have you ever built anything from scratch? Was it easy?

Introduction

- What are some “misquotes” of scripture or “fortune cookie proverbs” you typically hear?
- Do you ever put your faith in human word instead of God’s word? (Checking to make sure quoted scripture is accurate)
- All of us are good at building certain things. But what if we took that same passion and excitement about building our entire lives and built it in a way that says, “Lord, I built this for you!” What would it look like?
- How are you building your home life, marriage, education, or career? Are you doing it in your own wisdom, or are you seeking God’s? What does that look like?

We Have a Great Builder and Great Plans!

- Read Luke 6:46-48 and Prov. 24:3-4. How can you increase your willingness to hear from God and do what He has instructed?
- If God is your general contractor, who are your sub-contractors? And why did you choose them? (If you do not have a Godly mentor, take time this week to find one or ask your small group if they have a recommendation.)
- Think of the time before Christ found you. What were the building blocks God established in your life, to get you where you are today. Where do you see God taking you?
- Are you building your life on God in an intentional and proactive manner, or are you more reactive? Are you building your life the way you want, or are you allowing it to be the way God wants it? How can you be more intentional in building your foundation on God?

Build The House With Many Parts!

- The framing of your house is what your house looks like to others! What would the framing of our house look like if we actually let God do ALL the framing? What would look different?
- Are you building your life and your home with the walls and the structure of a healthy and faithful marriage and family? How do you make sure you are only drinking from your own cistern? How could you do it better?
- The power supply of the home is the life source for everything in the home. God should be our power supply. Where is your fuel coming from? How do you get your power from God?
- Integrity is doing the right thing when no one sees it! What are you tempted to do when no one is watching, and how do you gain the strength to turn away and do the right thing with integrity?

Build a Home that Lasts for Generations!

- The greatest inheritance you can leave is a lasting love for God. What are you doing today that will leave a legacy of loving God for generations to come?
- What stories are your grandchildren going to hear from you? Is this the legacy you want to leave behind? What changes should you make while you still have time?
- What values have you picked up from generations before you that you would like to see sustained by those around you after you are gone?
- Maintenance and upkeep are necessary in order to keep your house from crumbling and falling down. Did you know you can call on God to stand behind the house that He built, because His warranty never runs out. How are you calling on God to maintain your life to keep it from crumbling and falling down?

ACT ON IT



ENCOURAGE

God upholds the universe by the power of His word.



ASK

Ask God how you can improve upon your foundation this week?



CHALLENGE

Wisdom is our willingness to hear from God and do what He has instructed. If you decide that God is your general contractor and His word is our really good set of building plans, we ensure our life is solidly built. Take time this week to look over your house (your life). Build a “punch list” of things to improve. If you are married, do this with your spouse. Then, bring those things to God and ask for His help.

PRAYER

Lord, thank you for this day and this time to come together to worship you and declare you the master contractor in the building of our lives. We come to you to ask your hand upon our lives as we build them upon your word. Be with us this week as we go about our days, and have your will in everything we do. Guide us and give us the wisdom and discernment to do the right thing. Even when no one else is watching. We ask this in your holy name. Amen.