

New Hope Community Church

“Don’t be a Fool”

Being a knower of God

In Proverbs 2:1-10

1 My son, if you receive my words and treasure up my commandments with you, 2 making your ear attentive to wisdom and inclining your heart to understanding; 3 yes, if you call out for insight and raise your voice for understanding, 4 if you seek it like silver and search for it as for hidden treasures, 5 then you will understand the fear of the LORD and find the knowledge of God. 6 For the LORD gives wisdom; from his mouth come knowledge and understanding; 7 he stores up sound wisdom for the upright; he is a shield to those who walk in integrity, 8 guarding the paths of justice and watching over the way of his saints. 9 Then you will understand righteousness and justice and equity, every good path; 10 for wisdom will come into your heart, and knowledge will be pleasant to your soul.

The Core Message: to be wise is to Know God; to Know God is to be wise.

- I. Being a Knower of God means you’re a ... Listener (2:1-2)

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- II. Being a Knower of God means you’re a ... Seeker (2:3-4)

“3 yes, if you call out for insight and raise your voice for understanding, 4 if you seek it like silver and search for it as for hidden treasures”

- III. Being a Knower of God means you’re a ... Fearer (2:5)

“5 then you will understand the fear of the LORD and find the knowledge of God.”

- IV. Being a Knower of God means you’re an ... Imitator (2:6-10)

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- V. Being a knower of God ... guards us from Evil and preserves us from Death !