

Wisdom Keys 1-7

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The Word of God

Is The Wisdom of God.

-MIKE MURDOCK



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WHY I WROTE THIS BOOK

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Welcome to our new series *The Wisdom Keys of Mike Murdock*. These are keys that the Lord has given me to inspire, instruct, motivate, warn and correct. They are simple, yet profound

Life is a collection of *miracles*.

Life is a collection of *memories*.

Life is a collection of *mistakes*. The reason we pursue miracles is to move away from the devastating effects of our mistakes.

Every day, every decision is an opportunity to make a mistake. Every mistake has a product. Every mistake births a season of pain.

As you meditate on these Wisdom Keys, I pray that an explosion of understanding, revelation and insight will occur in your life.

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EVERY PROBLEM IN YOUR LIFE IS SIMPLY A WISDOM PROBLEM

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Write that down. Think on it. Meditate on it. If you think you have a marriage problem, you will want to change mates. If you think you have a financial problem, you will want to change your job. In fact, you will get mad at the people who do not give you money. You will get mad at your boss for not giving you a raise. But the moment you embrace this revelation, internalize it, believe it, accept it, your life will change radically even within 24 hours.

Every problem in your life is simply a Wisdom problem. Who said that? God said that Himself. In fact, the Bible is the Wisdom Book of the universe. It is the Wisdom Book of the world.

"Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get Wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding. Exalt her, and she shall promote thee: she shall bring thee to honour, when thou dost embrace her. She shall give to thine head an ornament of grace: a crown of glory shall she deliver to thee," (Proverbs 4:7). Proverbs 4:11 is fascinating. "I have taught thee in the way of Wisdom." Think on this phrase, the way of Wisdom...there is a way of Wisdom.

"My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge," (Hosea 4:6). He did not say a devil, but the lack of

knowledge. I was sharing with some of my young protegés a few nights ago, "Don't speak for response. When you preach, when you speak, do not speak to illicit a response from people outwardly so they will jump up and shout. Speak for understanding. Even if you have to slow down to a crawl and you feel like a 747 in a room of tricycles." The purpose of this gospel is to birth understanding.

The Bible says that knowledge of the holy is understanding. Do not be afraid of a demon. Do not be afraid of demon spirits. Be afraid of being stupid. Be afraid of ignorance. It is deadly.

The true enemy of Wisdom is not merely ignorance. It is confusion. The first tool the serpent used to destroy the future of Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden was the tool of conversation. Every failure begins with conversation. In that conversation, are the Seeds for your future.

Deuteronomy 4:6 says, "this is your wisdom". God said His Word was our Wisdom. The purpose of Wisdom is multifaceted. Wisdom births discerning of the invisible intents, agendas and motives of those around you. The purpose of Wisdom, according to Proverbs chapters 2-4, is to give you discerning between evil men and righteous men. You will never fail alone, and you will never succeed alone. When your life self-destructs, you can trace it to somebody who has influenced you. God says, "My Word is your Wisdom."

I was in a wonderful conference and someone was upset because I made the statement that the Body of Christ was ignorant. I used the illustration that the Person of Jesus is different than the Principles of Jesus. The Gospel has two sides. The Person of Jesus and His Principles. The Person of Jesus creates your peace, but the Principles of Jesus in The Word of God create your prosperity. The Person of Jesus prepares you for the next world. The Principles of Jesus prepare you for this world. You can be ready for Heaven but cannot balance your checkbook. God can give you a miracle of money, but you cannot protect it, you cannot keep it, you cannot multiply it. That is the purpose of Wisdom.

Wisdom is not a mere experience. Wisdom is extracting knowledge from an experience. Jesus said His Word is His Wisdom. The Person of Jesus is different than His principles. One is the King. One is the Kingdom. One is the life of God. One is the law of God. One is an experience with God. One is the expertise of God.

They were upset because I said that, so I did a little 10 questionnaire...10 questions.

The first question to the conference was... "How many books are in the Bible?" I had everybody write it down and turn it in.

Ninety-five percent of the conference... Christians, preachers, 95 percent got it wrong.

I asked a second question... "How many chapters are in the Bible?" This is your Wisdom book. This is your success book. This is the book we are upset because they will not let us bring it to the schools. This is the book that we fight for. This is the book we say we are known for in America.

Not one single preacher, not one single person in the entire conference knew how many chapters were in the Bible.

There are 66 books in the Bible...1,189 chapters. Someone said there are approximately 800,000 words.

I do not know. I have not counted them. Someone said it takes 56 hours to read the Bible through.

Why is the Bible so important? Because it is the life of God transferred into the spirit of man. These words that Jesus spoke are life. They are energy. Daniel phrased, "And when He had spoken unto me, I was strengthened," (Daniel 10:19). The words of God are the energy of God. They are the very life of God. Your strength is not created by your nature. Your strength is the product of knowledge, The Word of God inside you.

Everybody has problems in life. Solomon said, "I hated life." Jonah wanted to die. Elijah, the great prophet, wanted to die. Moses was threatened to be stoned. David himself, with the most loyal surrounding of men in the history of mankind, had a day when his men wanted to stone him, but he said, "Thou through Thy commandments hast made me wiser than mine enemies," (Psalm 119:98).

Uncommon men have an uncommon passion for The Word of God. It is a shocking revelation when you realize that God measures your love for Him by your passion for His Word. Not verbiage. Not the clutter of mouthy, affectionate terms, but your passion for His Word is a portrait of your love in the eyes of God.

That is why Jesus put it this way, "If ye love Me, keep My commandments," (John 14:15).

The Word of God will solve every problem in your life. I asked the Lord one day, "What is the most important thing that I could do for another human while I am on the earth? Buy him a car? Buy him a house? Recommend him to others. Protect him? Stop slander? What is the most valuable thing I could do for a human?" The Holy Spirit spoke to my heart, and

it was like He said, "Fuel their passion for My Word."

If I can birth a passion for The Word of God in you, I have solved every single problem in your life. I have solved your depression. Jesus said, "These things have I spoken unto you, that My joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full," (John 15:11).

I have solved your doubt problems. "So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God," (Romans 10:17). Doubt is deadly. Doubt births tragedies as quickly as faith births miracles. It is a startling fact that when the 12 spies went to the land of Canaan, 10 came back full of doubt and unbelief. When they spoke those words of doubt, when they spoke those words of fear, the Bible says, the people of Israel wept. It appears they wept all night long. They lost hope.

I call people who doubt The Word of God faith rapists. You will see it in newspapers, on television and you will hear it around your house and you will hear it from members of your family. They destroy your hope and they do everything they possibly can to destroy your confidence in God.

How deadly is doubt? One day of doubt will birth a year of heartache and tears. You cannot afford an hour of doubt and unbelief. Doubt does not merely postpone your miracle. It schedules your tragedy. The 10 spies out of the 12 had spied out the land of Canaan for 40 days...40 days. For every day of doubt, God gave them a year of heartache and pain. Forty years more of wandering in the wilderness.

The Bible will dispel and dissolve your doubt. If I can get you to fall in love with the Bible, I can literally destroy your fear of your adversaries. David

said, "Thou through Thy commandments hast made me wiser than mine enemies," (Psalm 119:98).

You do not want God to remove an enemy or you lose your reward. You are only rewarded for the enemy you conquer, the adversary you overcome. The reward system of the kingdom is based on overcoming opposition and adversity. God does not promote you because He loves you. You qualify for promotion. He said, "He that overcometh...he that overcometh...he that overcometh," has a constant reward in the book of Revelation chapters 2 and 3.

If I get you to fall in love with The Word of God, I can solve your financial problems because Psalm 112:1-3 says of the man that fears God and loves His Word that "wealth and riches shall be in his house."

3 Keys For Getting Wisdom

- 1. Meet With The Holy Spirit Every Morning At A Specific Place.
- 2. Set Up A Schedule For Reading At Least One Chapter of The Bible A Day. Start off with what you can handle. There are 31 chapters in the book of Proverbs...take a chapter a day. For instance, on day one of the month, read chapter one. On day two, read chapter two. Read it aloud. Read it methodically and slowly.
- **3. Keep A Wisdom Journal.** Tape articles from newspapers, books, your thoughts. Collect your Wisdom. It becomes your legacy to your family.

Decide which topic you will master in the Bible. Do not try to master the entire 1,189 chapters. Do not try to be a master in miracles and doubt and faith and love and parenting and the coming of Christ. Choose a focus. Memorize a Scripture a day. Take a little

microcassette or a little digital recorder and listen to a Scripture. Memorize one Scripture a day on that topic.

I have an obsession and an addiction for the Wisdom of God. What is Wisdom? Wisdom is the law of God applied accurately to solve a problem. Wisdom is simply the scriptural solution to a problem you are facing. Wisdom is the divine reaction to a human dilemma.

Let us pray this brief prayer together before we go to Wisdom Key number 2. I am going to pray two things. I am going to ask the Lord to birth a new passion for His Word. Then, I am going to ask Him to double your Wisdom in the next 6 months. If you will embrace this prayer, know it, stand with me, put it on a 3x5 card, tape it on your mirror, if every morning you see it, I believe it will astound you the changes that you will make in your decisions.

When you change your Wisdom, you change your decisions. When you change your decisions, you change your world. God does not create all your circumstances. Neither does satan. Your decisions are deciding your circumstances.

Our Prayer Together...

"Holy Spirit, thank You for my precious, precious friend and partner. I ask You to birth an addiction to Your voice, a passion for Your Word: just a simple chapter a day until we can move on further. In the name of Jesus, I claim right now a fresh wind of desire and passion for Your Word.

"I ask You to double Your Wisdom in their life. Oh God, do it in 6 months. It is a prayer You will want to answer. It is a prayer You have got to answer. It is a prayer that will settle every other dilemma in our life. We do not need You Lord to solve a marriage problem or a financial problem. We need Your Wisdom operating in us instinctively, consistently. Dominate our minds. Dominate our lives with Your Wisdom.

"Lord, when we do stupid stuff, and we all do. We make mistakes. We cry out to You. Lord, we know that the reward of repentance is the capability to change. When we repent of all of our ignorance and all of our stupidity, supernaturally a new miracle begins in our life.

"I thank You today. Lord, we put this little phrase 'Double Your Wisdom in my life in 6 months,' on a 3x5 card, and tape it on our mirror somewhere or even at our job, we expect you to respond favorably to our cry.

"Lord, our reaching is proof of our humility. When we reach, we activate Your heart. Please forgive us, please forgive us of every error, every mistake, every dumb thing we have done. Give us a new start. According to Your Word, at 12:01 a.m., every morning...just past midnight, Your mercies start brand new for us. You tear up the calendar of yesterday, and You start us on a brand new day. Your mercies are new every morning. Thank You. In the name of Jesus, it is done."