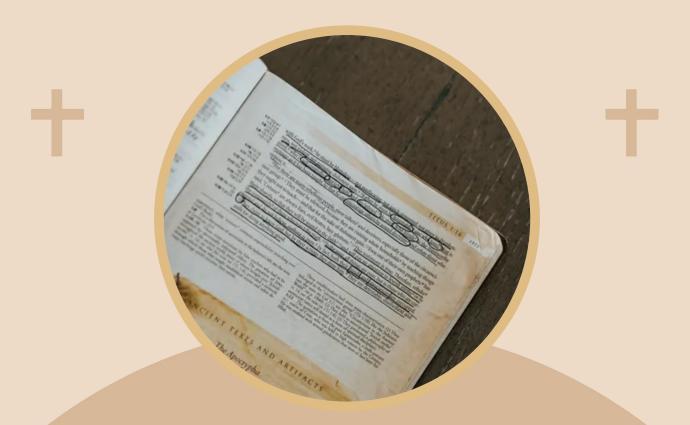
Wisdom: Seek Godly Counsel First



Explore the importance of prioritizing Godly wisdom and spiritual counsel before legal advice or action.





Table of contents

| Introduction | 3 |
|---|----|
| Day 1: 💋 The Value of Wisdom | 4 |
| <u>Day 2: Trusting God Over Human Authority</u> | 10 |
| Day 3: The Role of Godly Counsel | 16 |
| Day 4: Wisdom in Conflict Resolution | 22 |
| Day 5: \(\text{\text{The Heart of Justice and Mercy}} \) | 28 |
| Day 6: O Guidance Through Prayer and Patience | 34 |
| Day 7: 🎇 Living Out Godly Wisdom Daily | 40 |







Introduction

Wisdom is a precious gift from God, essential in making decisions that honor Him and bring peace to our lives. In a world often quick to resort to legal solutions for conflicts, the Bible calls us to prioritize *Godly counsel* first. This approach reminds us that true wisdom surpasses human knowledge and leads to outcomes aligned with divine truth and grace.

Every day, believers face situations where emotions run high and the impulse to seek legal recourse is strong. Yet, Scripture invites us to humble ourselves, seek God's guidance, and lean on His wisdom before taking steps that might escalate matters unnecessarily. **Godly wisdom** offers clarity, peace, and solutions grounded in righteousness—not merely the letter of human law.

Throughout this 7-day study, you will be encouraged to reflect on Biblical principles of wisdom, discern God's voice in your decisions, and apply spiritual counsel to your circumstances. We will dive into teachings from Proverbs, James, and other Scriptures that emphasize wisdom's role in conflict resolution and daily living. By doing so, you'll learn to let God's Spirit inform your choices before engaging with legal counsel or taking your case to court.

May this study equip and inspire you to treasure the counsel of the Lord, trusting that His wisdom will direct your steps through every challenge. Let us seek God's wisdom above all else, so that when decisions arise, our path is illuminated by His truth.









Day 1: **B** The Value of Wisdom









Day 1: **B** The Value of Wisdom

Your Verse

Proverbs 4:7 – "The beginning of wisdom is this: Get wisdom. Though it cost all you have, get understanding."

Supporting Scriptures

- James 1:5 "If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault."
- Proverbs 3:13 "Blessed are those who find wisdom, those who gain understanding."







Day 1: **B** The Value of Wisdom

Devotional: The Priceless Gift of Godly Wisdom

Wisdom is foundational. Proverbs 4:7 emphasizes that wisdom is so valuable that we should seek it even at great cost. In our daily lives, especially when facing difficult decisions like legal matters, wisdom isn't just helpful—it's necessary to navigate complexities effectively and righteously.

While it's tempting to rush to legal counsel or solutions, Proverbs reminds us that the starting point is wisdom itself. Notice how James encourages believers to ask God for wisdom without hesitation. God offers wisdom generously, and He desires us to seek understanding through Him first.

When we prioritize Godly wisdom before legal steps, we are inviting divine insight that can bring peace and guidance beyond human strategies. This sets the tone for approaching challenges humbly and prayerfully, trusting God's higher perspective.

Take time today to ask God for wisdom: a wisdom that looks beyond legal outcomes and aims for righteousness, reconciliation, and peace. Let this be your foundation before taking any action.







Day 1: **/** The Value of Wisdom

Reflect and Apply

| 1. | What challenges in your life right now require wisdom and guidance? |
|----|---|
| - | |
| | How do you typically respond when faced with decisions that seem to require legal advice? |
| - | |
| | In what ways can you seek God's wisdom before turning to human counsel? |
| - | |
| | |







Day 1: 🥦 The Value of Wisdom

Journaling Prompts

| | Write about a recent time you sought God's wisdom before making a decision. |
|----|---|
| | |
| 2. | List areas in your life where you need more understanding from God. |
| | |
| | Reflect on how seeking wisdom first changed—or could change—the outcome of a situation. |
| | |
| | |







Day 1: **//** The Value of Wisdom

Prayer for Today

Heavenly Father, thank You for the gift of wisdom. I confess that at times I am quick to rely on my own understanding or human counsel before seeking Your guidance. Help me to prioritize Your wisdom above all other advice. Teach me to be humble and patient, trusting that You will lead me on the right path. Give me discernment as I face decisions, especially those involving conflict or legal matters. May Your wisdom be my foundation and my shield today and always. In Jesus' name, Amen.







Day 2: Trusting God Over Human Authority









Day 2: **(** Trusting God Over Human Authority

Your Verse

Proverbs 3:5-6 - "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight."

Supporting Scriptures

- Psalm 118:8 "It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in humans."
- Jeremiah 17:5 "Cursed is the one who trusts in man, who draws strength from mere flesh."







Day 2: **(** Trusting God Over Human Authority

Devotional: God Is Our Ultimate Refuge

Whom do you trust first? Proverbs 3:5-6 challenges us to trust the Lord wholeheartedly instead of leaning on our own understanding or the counsel of others alone. In our modern context, this includes legal advisors and authorities.

While lawyers and judges have their place, these verses remind us that ultimate trust belongs to God alone. Psalm 118 highlights the superiority of God as our refuge, contrasting it with the uncertainty of human trust. Jeremiah's warning about trusting in mere flesh underscores the limitations and fallibility of human strength.

Applying this to situations where legal counsel may be considered, God calls us to submit our plans to Him first—to ask for His leading and peace before signing agreements or taking legal actions. When God leads, paths become clearer and outcomes have His favor.

Today, reflect on your primary source of trust. Are you seeking legal counsel too quickly, or are you submitting your situation to God first? Trusting God as your first refuge is a step toward peace and aligned decision-making.







Day 2: **(**) Trusting God Over Human Authority

Reflect and Apply

| 1. | Do you find it easy or difficult to trust God before seeking human advice? |
|----|---|
| | |
| | How might your decisions differ if you fully relied on God's guidance first? |
| | |
| | What fears or uncertainties make you lean on human understanding over God? |
| | |
| | |







Day 2: ① Trusting God Over Human Authority

Journaling Prompts

| 1. | Write about a time trusting God first changed the course of events. |
|----|---|
| | |
| 2. | Identify people or things you tend to trust before God and why. |
| | |
| 3. | Pray and journal a declaration of trust to surrender your decisions to God. |
| | |







Day 2: **(**) Trusting God Over Human Authority

Prayer for Today

Lord Jesus, teach me to trust You completely, especially when I face difficult decisions. Help me to lean not on my own understanding or solely on human counsel but to submit my ways to You. Guide my heart and mind as I seek Your direction first, and make my path straight according to Your will. Thank You for being my refuge and strength. In Your powerful name I pray, Amen.



















Your Verse

Proverbs 11:14 - "For lack of guidance a nation falls, but victory is won through many advisers."

Supporting Scriptures

- Proverbs 15:22 "Plans fail for lack of counsel, but with many advisers they succeed."
- Ecclesiastes 4:13 "Better a poor but wise youth than an old but foolish king who no longer knows how to heed a warning."







Devotional: Seek Wisdom Through Godly Counsel

Counsel matters. Proverbs 11:14 and 15:22 both highlight the importance of seeking guidance and wise advisers. Good decisions rarely happen in isolation—they often come after prayerfully seeking Godly counsel.

However, the focus must remain on *Godly counsel*—not simply any advice or legal expertise. Counsel rooted in Scripture points us toward truth and justice aligned with God's heart. It guards us against rashness and impulsive actions.

Ecclesiastes reminds us that even youth can be wise if they are open to God's warnings, underscoring the value of humility in receiving advice. When considering legal action, it's vital to first seek counsel that honors God's principles of righteousness and reconciliation.

Today, ask God to surround you with advisers filled with His wisdom. Pray for discernment to recognize and embrace godly counsel that will guide your decisions in ways that glorify Him.







Reflect and Apply

| 1. | Who are the godly advisers you trust in your life? |
|----|--|
| | |
| | |
| | |
| 2. | How do you discern godly counsel from worldly advice? |
| | |
| | |
| | |
| 3. | Have you ever acted without counsel and regretted the outcome? |
| | |
| | |
| | |







Journaling Prompts

| 1. | Write about a decision improved by seeking godly counsel. |
|----|---|
| | |
| | |
| 2. | List qualities you look for in a godly adviser. |
| | |
| | |
| 3. | Reflect on steps to better incorporate godly counsel in your decisions. |
| | |
| | |







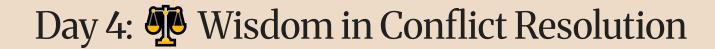
Prayer for Today

Father God, thank You for the gift of godly advisers and the wisdom they bring. Please guide me to seek and welcome counsel from those who honor You and your Word. Help me discern truth from error and give me humility to follow godly guidance even when it's challenging. Surround me with wise, Spirit-filled friends and leaders as I navigate my decisions. In Jesus' name, Amen. To O Amen.

















Day 4: Wisdom in Conflict Resolution

Your Verse

Matthew 5:9 - "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God."

Supporting Scriptures

- James 3:17 "But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere."
- Romans 12:18 "If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone."







Day 4: Wisdom in Conflict Resolution

Devotional: Pursue Peace With Godly Wisdom

Conflict is inevitable, but how we respond matters. Jesus called peacemakers blessed, highlighting the spiritual value of pursuing peace. James describes true heavenly wisdom as *peace-loving, considerate, merciful, and sincere*.

When facing legal conflicts, our impulse might lean toward confrontation and asserting our rights. Yet, Godly wisdom guides us to seek peace and reconciliation whenever possible.

Romans 12 reminds us to do all we can to live at peace with others. This does not mean ignoring injustice but rather approaching conflicts with a heart shaped by God's love and wisdom. Legal counsel might be necessary, but only after we have sought God's peace and direction first.

Today, examine your heart towards conflict: Are you a peace-seeker or quick to escalate? Ask God to cultivate a peacemaking spirit within you and direct your steps toward reconciliation.







Day 4: 🐠 Wisdom in Conflict Resolution

Reflect and Apply

| 1. | How do you usually respond to conflict? |
|----|---|
| | |
| 2. | In what ways can you be more of a peacemaker in difficult situations? |
| | |
| | Have you experienced God's wisdom leading you to peace before legal action? |
| | |
| | |







Day 4: Wisdom in Conflict Resolution

Journaling Prompts

| 1. | Journal about a conflict where peace was achieved through wisdom. |
|----|---|
| | |
| | |
| | |
| 2. | Write about obstacles that prevent you from seeking peace. |
| | |
| | |
| | |
| 3. | Pray and ask God to help you be a peacemaker in a specific situation. |
| | |
| | |
| | |







Day 4: Wisdom in Conflict Resolution

Prayer for Today

Lord, help me to be a peacemaker in every conflict I face. Teach me to prioritize peace and reconciliation over winning arguments or lawsuits. Fill my heart with Your wisdom so my responses honor You and bring healing. When I am tempted to rush toward legal action, remind me to seek Your peace first. Guide my words and actions to reflect Your love. In Jesus' name, Amen.

















Day 5: <a> The Heart of Justice and Mercy

Your Verse

Micah 6:8 - "He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God."

Supporting Scriptures

- Proverbs 21:15 "When justice is done, it brings joy to the righteous but terror to evildoers."
- Matthew 23:23 "Woe to you... You should have practiced the latter, without neglecting the former: justice, mercy and faithfulness."







Day 5: <a> The Heart of Justice and Mercy

Devotional: Balance Justice with Mercy and Humility

Justice and mercy are God's priorities. Micah reminds us that God requires us to act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with Him. When considering legal action, it's crucial to align ourselves with this divine balance.

Justice seeks fairness and truth; mercy shows compassion and forgiveness. Godly wisdom urges us not to pursue justice in a way that lacks mercy or humility. Proverbs shows that true justice honors the righteous while deterring wrongdoing.

Jesus warns against neglecting mercy even as we seek justice, emphasizing both as vital. Applying this to legal matters means striving for fairness while offering kindness and forgiveness, reflecting God's character.

Reflect today on whether your approach to conflict embodies both justice and mercy. Ask God to guide you to respond with a heart that pleases Him before involving legal avenues.







Day 5: \P The Heart of Justice and Mercy

Reflect and Apply

| How do you define justice and mercy in your own heart? |
|--|
| |
| Can you think of times where mercy tempered your pursuit of justice? |
| |
| Are there situations where you struggle to walk humbly in conflict? |
| |
| |







Day 5: \P The Heart of Justice and Mercy

Journaling Prompts

| 1. | Write about a situation where justice and mercy were balanced well. |
|----|---|
| | |
| 2. | Reflect on moments when you found it hard to show mercy. |
| | |
| 3. | Ask God to help you walk humbly and love mercy in your challenges. |
| | |







Day 5: <a> The Heart of Justice and Mercy

Prayer for Today

Gracious God, teach me to act justly and love mercy in all my dealings. Help me walk humbly with You as I face challenges that might tempt me toward harshness or pride. May Your wisdom guide every decision, balancing truth and compassion. Lead me to reflect Your heart in all things, especially before pursuing legal action. In Jesus' name, Amen.















Your Verse

Isaiah 30:21 – "Whether you turn to the right or to the left, your ears will hear a voice behind you, saying, 'This is the way; walk in it."

Supporting Scriptures

- Psalm 37:7 "Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for him."
- Philippians 4:6-7 "Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God."







Devotional: Patience and Prayer Before Action

Patience and prayer pave the way for God's direction. Isaiah assures us that God's voice will guide us if we listen carefully. But often, this requires stillness and waiting, not rushing hastily into action.

Psalm 37 encourages believers to be still and wait patiently for the Lord. Legal matters usually feel urgent, but wisdom often calls for patience—allowing God to reveal His timing and best path.

Philippians advises us to bring anxieties to God in prayer, receiving His peace that surpasses understanding. Taking legal steps before seeking God's peace may lead to unnecessary stress or unwise decisions.

Today, spend intentional time in prayer and listen for God's direction.Cultivate patience, trusting that His timing and guidance are perfect, even when the pressure to act is strong.







Reflect and Apply

| 1. | How comfortable are you with waiting for God's timing before acting? |
|----|--|
| | |
| 2. | What prayers are you bringing to God about your current challenges? |
| | |
| 3. | Can you identify moments when patience led to better outcomes? |
| | |







Journaling Prompts

| 1. | Journal a prayer asking God for patience and clear guidance. |
|----|---|
| | |
| 2. | Recall a past situation where waiting brought clarity or peace. |
| | |
| 3. | List ways you can create space for prayer and stillness daily. |
| | |







Prayer for Today

Lord, grant me the patience to wait on You and the peace to trust Your timing. Help me to listen carefully for Your voice guiding every decision. When anxiety tempts me to rush into legal actions or solutions, remind me to bring my concerns to You first in prayer. Fill me with Your peace that calms my heart. In Jesus' name, Amen.







Day 7: 🎇 Living Out Godly Wisdom Daily









Day 7: 💥 Living Out Godly Wisdom Daily

Your Verse

James 3:13 – "Who is wise and understanding among you? Let them show it by their good life, by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom."

Supporting Scriptures

- Colossians 3:16 "Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom."
- Ephesians 5:15–16 "Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity."







Day 7: 💥 Living Out Godly Wisdom Daily

Devotional: Apply Godly Wisdom Every Day

Wisdom is meant to be lived out. James challenges us to demonstrate wisdom through humble, godly living. It's not only about what we know but how we apply that wisdom day by day.

Colossians encourages believers to let Christ's message dwell richly among them, teaching and encouraging one another in wisdom. Wisdom flourishes in community where God's Word is central.

Ephesians reminds us to live carefully and wisely, making every moment count. This includes wisely managing conflicts and decisions, seeking God's counsel first and maintaining a humble, peace-filled spirit.

As this study concludes, reflect on integrating godly wisdom into all your choices. Commit to making God's guidance your priority before pursuing any legal counsel or actions.







Day 7: 🎇 Living Out Godly Wisdom Daily

Reflect and Apply

| s? |
|----|
| |
| Si |







Day 7: 🎇 Living Out Godly Wisdom Daily

Journaling Prompts

| 1. | Write about steps you will take to prioritize godly wisdom daily. |
|----|--|
| | |
| 2. | Reflect on a way you can teach or encourage someone else in wisdom. |
| | |
| 3. | Commit in writing to seek God's counsel before legal action or conflict. |
| | |
| | |







Day 7: 💥 Living Out Godly Wisdom Daily

Prayer for Today

Father, help me to live out Your wisdom with humility and love. May my life reflect the teaching and counsel of Christ, guiding my decisions and relationships. Strengthen me to be careful and wise, making the best use of every opportunity to honor You. Let me prioritize seeking Your guidance before any human counsel or legal steps. Thank You for Your unfailing wisdom and presence. In Jesus' name, Amen. 💥 🔲 🙏







Where God's Word Meets Your Daily Life



We pray this Bible Study has blessed you and drawn you closer to the heart of God. If you enjoyed this study, we'd love for you to join our growing HolyJot community online.



- 100k+ Bible Study Plans on every topic of life
- Access studies anytime on your phone, tablet, or computer
- Studies for individuals, families, small groups, and churches
- Secure online journaling or keep using print for privacy
- A place to grow your faith alongside believers worldwide

Bonus for You:

Download exclusive study bundles and resources when you create a <u>free HolyJot account</u>. No spam. No gimmicks. Just God's Word.

Visit Now:

- * www.HolyJot.com
- Scan this QR code to start your next Bible Study today:

We'd love to hear your story. Email us at info@holyjot.com.





Connect with us at:

<u>Facebook</u> • <u>Instagram</u> • <u>YouTube</u> • <u>TikTok</u>

You are welcome to share this PDF with others. Lase keep it intact so the full study and credits remain.

© 2025 HolyJot LLC. All Rights Reserved.