

The Command of Wisdom: Watch Your Walk (5:15)

- Walk carefully.
 - Life is not _____.
 - Holiness is never _____.
 - Stay _____.
- Walk wisely.
 - _____ for wisdom. (James 1:5)
 - _____ on wisdom. (James 3:13)

The Characteristics of Wisdom: Know God's Will (5:16-17)

- Wise people make the most of their time. (16)
 - Redeem the time because life is _____.
 - You cannot save time, you can only spend it.
 - Do not _____ your time.
 - Redeem the time because the days are _____.
 - Do not waste your _____.
 - Look for times to _____. (Hebrews 3:13)
 - Look for ways to _____. (Hebrews 10:24-25)
 - Look for opportunities to _____. (Colossians 4:5-6)
- Wise people discern the will of God. (17)
 - The will of God is not a _____.
 - God's revealed will is not a _____ to be solved.
 - God's revealed will is a _____ to be obeyed.
 - The more you know the _____ of God, the better you will know the _____ of God.
 - Start with the commands of _____.
 - 1 Thessalonians 4:3- *For this is the will of God, your sanctification: that you abstain from sexual immorality.*
 - 1 Thessalonians 5:18- *Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.*
 - 1 Peter 2:15- *For this is the will of God, that by doing good you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish people.*
 - Ask yourself these questions:
 - Will this decision _____ Christ? (Ephesians 1:9-10)
 - Does this choice reflect the _____ of Christ?
 - The Bible is more concerned with **who** you are than **where** you are.
 - Am I thinking with the _____ of Christ? (Romans 12:2)
 - Have I brought this decision before the _____ of Christ?

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- Walk carefully.
 - Life is not **aimless**.
 - Holiness is never **accidental**.
 - Stay **alert**.
- Walk wisely.
 - **Ask** for wisdom. (James 1:5)
 - **Act** on wisdom. (James 3:13)

The Characteristics of Wisdom: Know God's Will (5:16-17)

- Wise people make the most of their time. (16)
 - Redeem the time because life is **short**.
 - You cannot save time, you can only spend it.
 - Do not **waste** your time.
 - Redeem the time because the days are **evil**.
 - Do not waste your **words**.
 - Look for times to **exhort**. (Hebrews 3:13)
 - Look for ways to **encourage**. (Hebrews 10:24-25)
 - Look for opportunities to **evangelize**. (Colossians 4:5-6)
- Wise people discern the will of God. (17)
 - The will of God is not a **secret**.
 - God's revealed will is not a **puzzle** to be solved.
 - God's revealed will is a **command** to be obeyed.
 - The more you know the **word** of God, the better you will know the **will** of God.
 - Start with the commands of **Scripture**.
 - 1 Thessalonians 4:3- *For this is the will of God, your sanctification: that you abstain from sexual immorality.*
 - 1 Thessalonians 5:18- *Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.*
 - 1 Peter 2:15- *For this is the will of God, that by doing good you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish people.*
 - Ask yourself these questions:
 - Will this decision **glorify** Christ? (Ephesians 1:9-10)
 - Does this choice reflect the **character** of Christ?
 - The Bible is more concerned with who you are than where you are.
 - Am I thinking with the **mind** of Christ? (Romans 12:2)
 - Have I brought this decision before the **community** of Christ?