

“And to man He said, ‘Behold, the fear of the Lord, that is wisdom, and to depart from evil is understanding.’” {Job 28:28}

Lesson 5 (July 12, 2022)

“Job’s Discourse on Wisdom”

Read Job 28.

- 1. In Job 28:1-11, what amazing things does the author say man is capable of doing?**
- 2. What question does the author ask in Job 28:12, 20? How does the world answer this question? See James 3:13-18.**
- 3. From Job 28:13-22; Ecclesiastes 7:23-24; Ecclesiastes 1:16-18, where can wisdom NOT be found? And how can wisdom NOT be obtained? See Proverbs 3:13-15; Proverbs 8:10-11.**
- 4. From Job 28:23-27 and Proverbs 15:3, who alone understands wisdom and why?**
- 5. Who or what is the source of all wisdom and understanding? See Job 28:28; Proverbs 1:7; Proverbs 2:6.**
- 6. What does “the fear of the Lord” look like in your daily life? What does it look like to depart from or shun evil in your life? See Deuteronomy 4:5-6; Psalm 1:1-2; Psalm 119:33-40.**
- 7. Where in your life will you ask God for His wisdom and guidance this week?**

- 8. In Job 29:1-6, what does Job remember and long for?**
- 9. From Job 29:7-17, 21-25, before Job's trials and suffering started, how was Job regarded in his community and what was his reputation?**
- 10. In Job 30:1, 8-11, how are people treating Job now? Why is he being treated differently now?**
- 11. How should the way Christians treat others be different from the world's ways? See Leviticus 19:15; James 2:1-9. Which group(s) of people are you tempted to show favoritism toward?**
- 12. Skimming through Job 31, what are a few sins Job lists that he did NOT do?**
- 13. Why does Job list all these sins? What does he want or expect from God? See Job 30: 25-26; Job 31:2-4, 7-12, 21-22, 28, 35-37.**
- 14. What have you learned about Job and his suffering that will help you if/when you go through prolonged suffering without a clear answer from God?**