



LIVING WISELY IN AN AGE OF FOLLY



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- Wisdom is living life in correspondence to reality and in distinction to alternative realities which are identified as folly. Biblical reality is a worldview that sees both the natural and supernatural world and the relationship between the two in order to understand and then live in the world as it actually is.

LIVING WISELY: WISDOM VALUES LIFE

- Proverbs 11:30; The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life
 - He that wins souls is wise
 - The one who gathers lives is wise
 - But violence takes lives away

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- Life is not merely being alive physically; To value life is to pursue the good in life, symbolized by the “tree of life.”
 - The tree of life represents eternal life
 - The tree of life is that which satisfies the soul eternally: realized in an intimate relationship with God
 - The quality of life produced is then the highest good to be valued; relationships with God’s image bearers
 - The commodity of value in the highest good is grace (John 1; Prov. 11)

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- Living wisely is to invest grace into relationships
 - Relationship with God through Jesus Christ. (Matt. 16:24)
 - Relationships in your household
 - Relationships in your spiritual household (Gal. 6)
 - Relationships in your community

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- One of the great blessings of heaven is the appreciation of heaven on earth.- Ephesians truth.

He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain that which he cannot lose.

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