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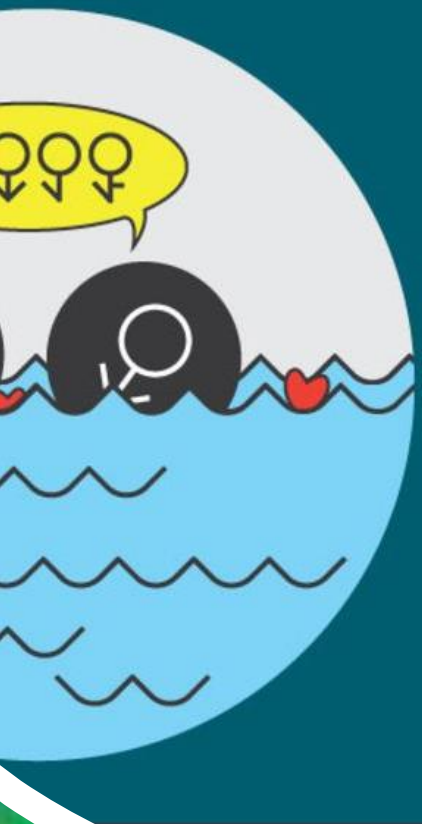
MODERN
TIMES

BIBLICAL FOUNDATIONS FOR
LIFE IN A WORLD THAT HAS
LOST ITS WAY

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A Journey Into Wisdom

A person with a backpack is silhouetted against a bright, hazy sky at sunrise or sunset. They are standing on a rocky ledge, looking out over a vast mountain range with layers of mist or low clouds. The scene is peaceful and contemplative.

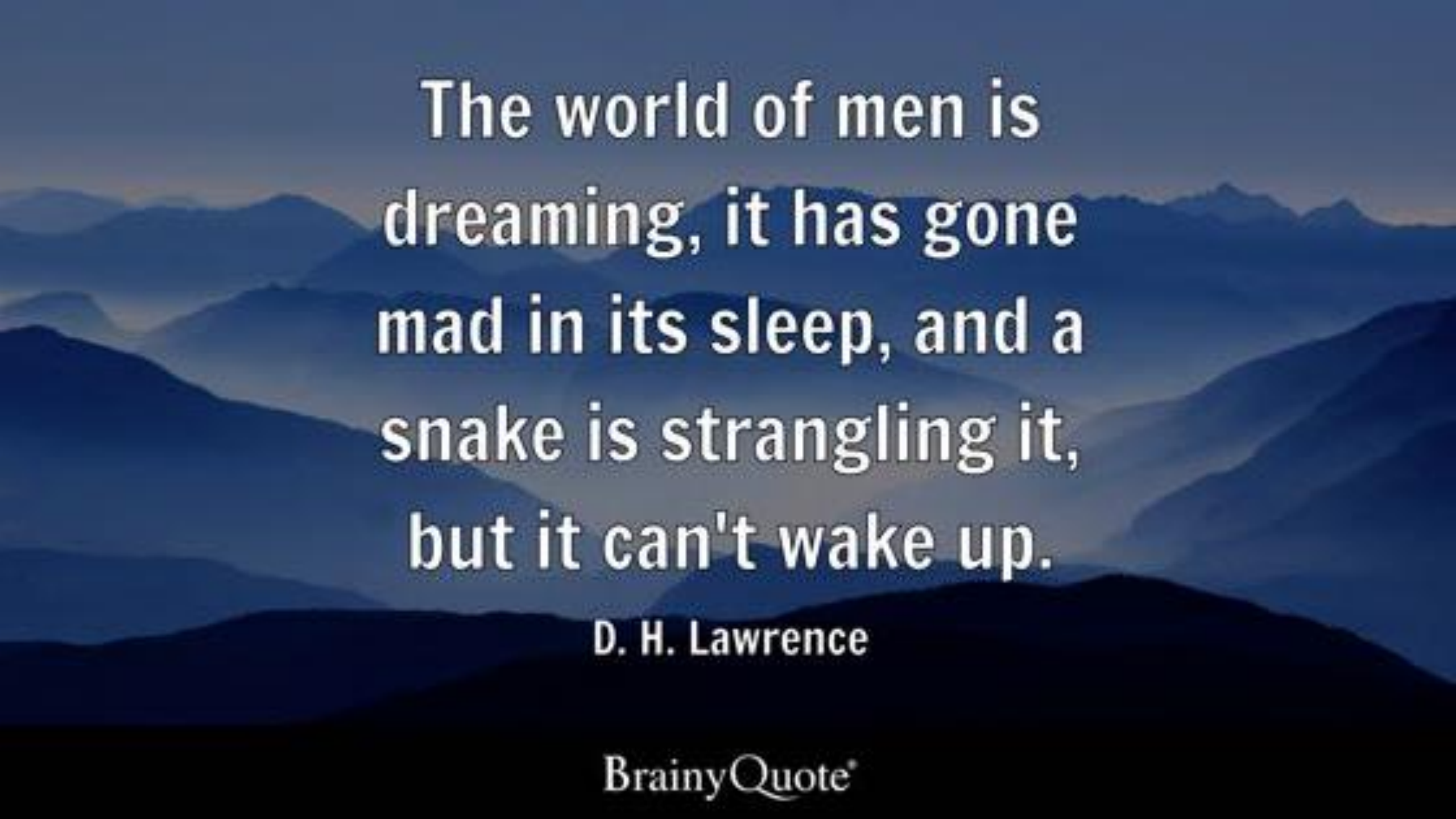


GENDER FLUID

A person whose gender expression and shifts on the situation

PROOF OF
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The world of men is
dreaming, it has gone
mad in its sleep, and a
snake is strangling it,
but it can't wake up.

D. H. Lawrence

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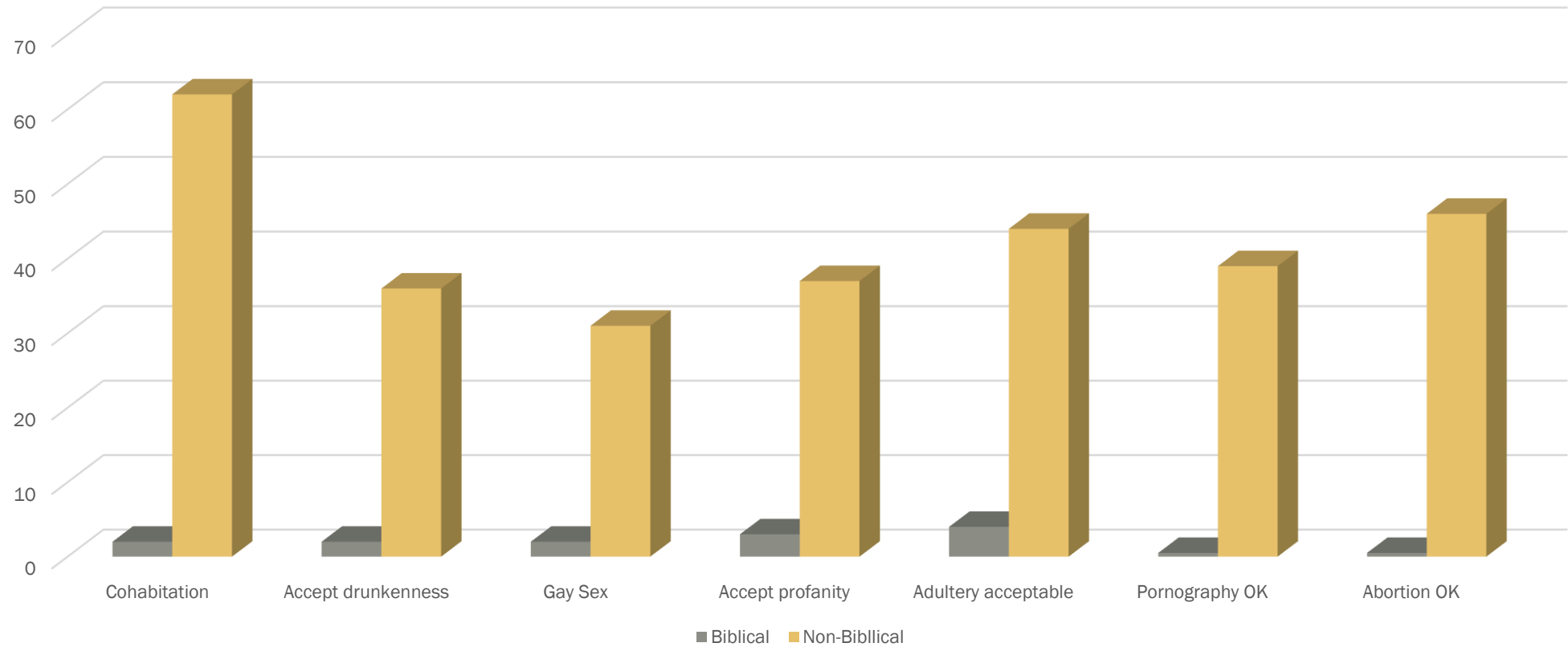
Many of the Problems We Have Come from our Worldview





WORLDVIEW – is the intellectual,
moral and spiritual filter that each
of us uses to make every decision
that we make” Dr George Barna

Biblical v Non-Biblical Worldview, Barna 2003



Definition of Biblical Worldview

Barna defines “biblical worldview” as believing that:

- **absolute moral truth exists;**
- **the Bible is totally accurate in all of the principles it teaches;**
- **Satan is considered to be a real being or force, not merely symbolic;**
- **a person cannot earn their way into Heaven by trying to be good or do good works;**
- **Jesus Christ lived a sinless life on earth; and**
- **God is the all-knowing, all-powerful creator of the world who still rules the universe today.**

Few People Attending Church In The U.S. Have A Biblical Worldview

Born Again Christians	9%
Protestants	7%
Mainline Protestants	2%
Catholics	<0.5%
Non-denominational Protestant	13%
Pentecostal	10%
Baptist	8%

Barna, 2003 - <https://www.barna.com/research/a-biblical-worldview-has-a-radical-effect-on-a-persons-life/>

Few U.S. Pastors Have A Biblical Worldview!!

All Christian Pastors	37%
Senior/Lead Pastor	41%
Associate/Assistant Pastor	28%
Teaching Pastor	13%
Children's/Youth Pastor	12%
Executive Pastor	4%

From 2022 survey by Barna - <https://christianresearchnetwork.org/2022/09/05/barna-survey-only-4-of-executive-pastors-have-biblical-worldview-why-this-is/>

Christian Worldview Crisis? Dr. George Barna Reveals Disturbing Reality Behind Shocking Faith Stats



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A veteran cultural researcher who has spent decades examining biblical worldview and the trajectory of the American church believes some alarming statistics should

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the world has changed

**... A World Without God, A World
Without Wisdom**

A pig is shown splashing in a muddy pool of water. The pig is the central focus, with its head and front legs visible. It appears to be in the middle of a playful or messy activity. The water is brown and murky, and the surrounding ground is also muddy. The background is a blurred expanse of mud and water.

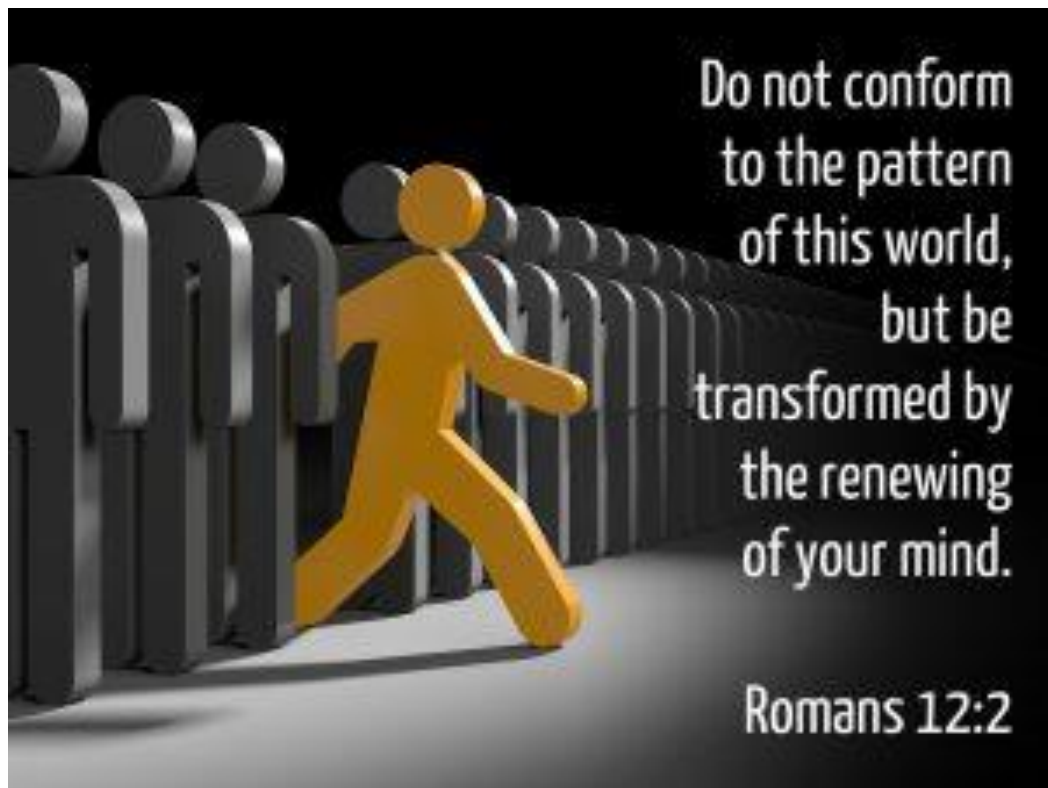
You Can't Stop a Pig from Being Dirty!

*"I learned long ago not
wrestle with a pig. You get
dirty, and besides, the pig
likes it."*

George Bernard Shaw



**THE
SOLUTION
ISN'T A
CLEANER
PIG!**



Do not conform
to the pattern
of this world,
but be
transformed by
the renewing
of your mind.

Romans 12:2

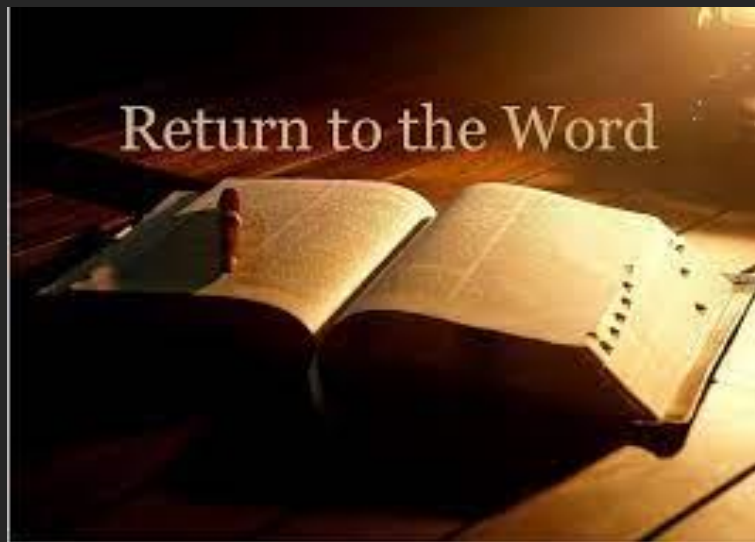


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-Romans 12:2

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Return to the Word



'Return to me,' declares the LORD Almighty,
'and I will return to you,' says the LORD Almighty.

Zechariah 1:3b

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Let's Go
Back
to the Bible

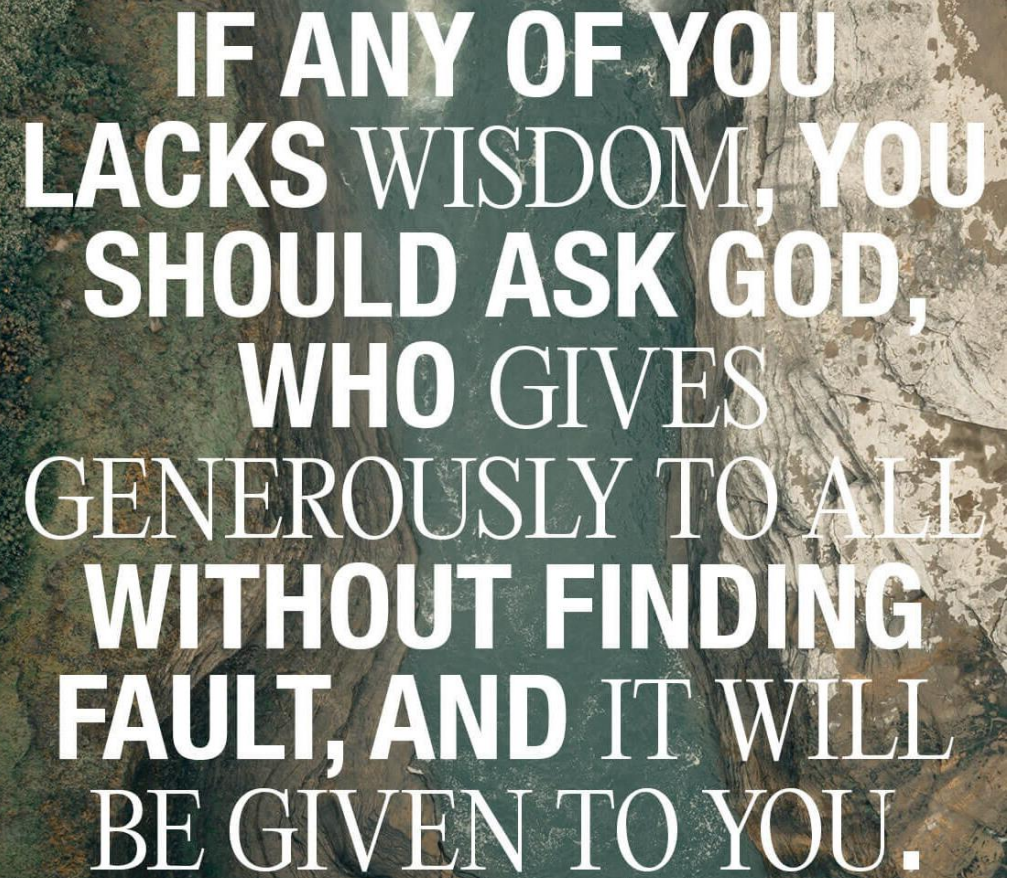


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**One Day Jesus
Will Return from Heaven**



*Seek
Wisdom*



**IF ANY OF YOU
LACKS WISDOM, YOU
SHOULD ASK GOD,
WHO GIVES
GENEROUSLY TO ALL
WITHOUT FINDING
FAULT, AND IT WILL
BE GIVEN TO YOU.**

JAMES 1:5

The Law of Sowing and Reaping



Do not be deceived,
God is not mocked;
for whatever a man sows,
that he will also reap.

Galatians 6:7





יָרָא - yâre' – Hebrew Word Translated as Fear

- Used 437 times in different forms in OT
- Fear of God as terror or dread – Gen 3:10
- Awe or reverence towards God
- To serve Him and be faithful to Him – Josh 24:14-15
- Also includes worship – God's people are told to fear Him not other Gods – 2 Kings 17:35-36
- Fearing God is linked to obedience to His law – Deut 5:29
- To fear God is having a proper response to His holiness Isa 8:13
- **The phrase “do not fear” (אַל-תִּירָאוּ; al-tîrā') is used as an encouragement or call for courage**
- יָרָא overall describes a positive response or reverence toward God



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חֵכְמָה

(chochma)

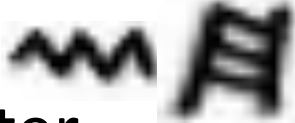
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DEUTERONOMY 34:9

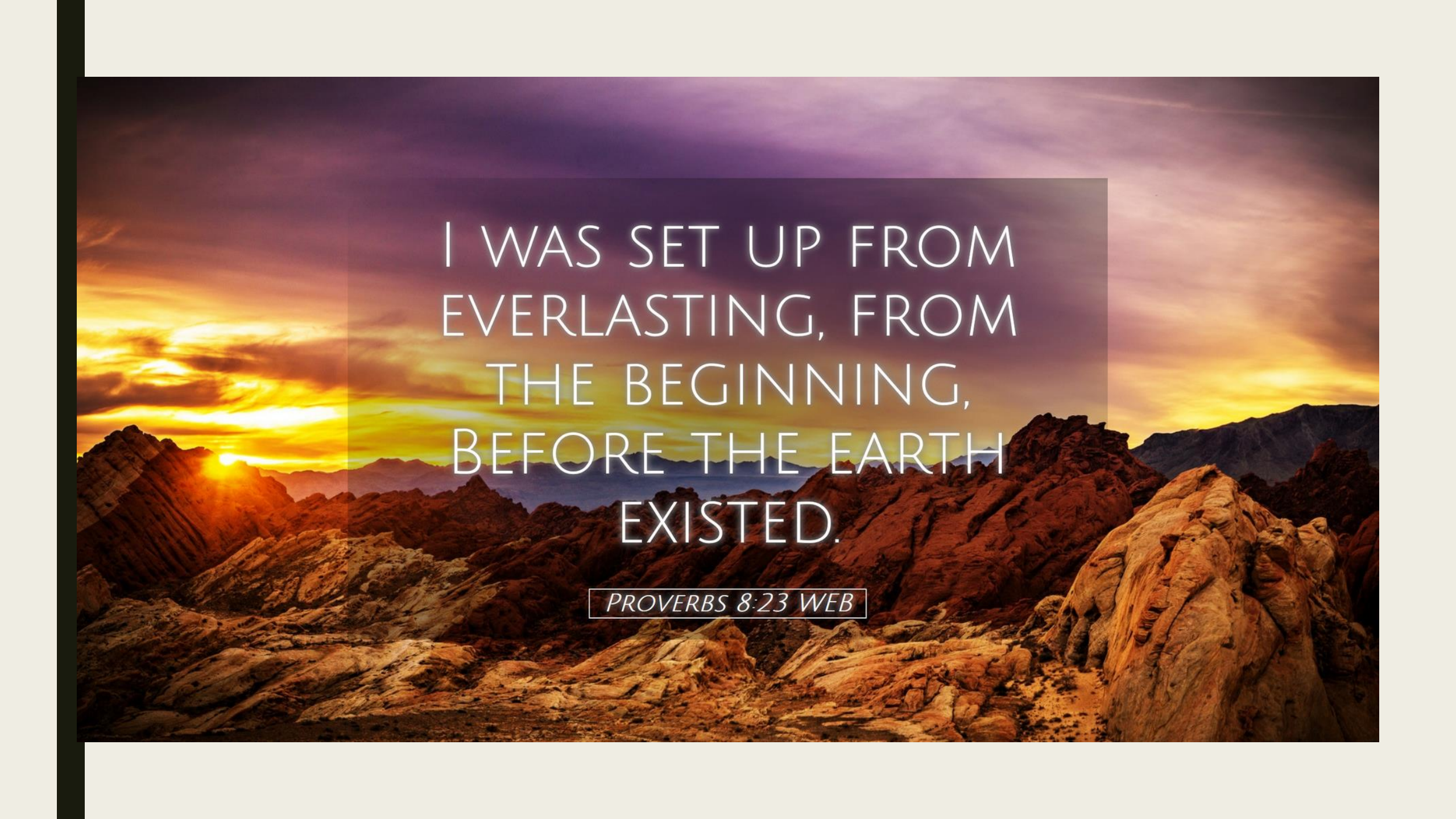


THE HEBREW CONCEPT OF WISDOM

חֵכְמָה (ḥokmâ)


- The parent root חֶחַם *hham*, meaning “heat,” is the root of the word חָכָם *hhakham* which means “wisdom.”
- The word *hham* appears in pictographic script as  which shows a wall separating water
- The central idea of the Hebrew word for wisdom is one who is able to separate between good and bad
- Wisdom involves both knowledge and the ability to make use of knowledge. Wisdom assumes righteous behaviour, kindness, faithfulness, and loyalty

R. P. Nettelhorst, [“Wisdom,”](#) ed. Douglas Mangum et al., *Lexham Theological Wordbook*, Lexham Bible Reference Series (Bellingham, WA: Lexham Press, 2014).



I WAS SET UP FROM
EVERLASTING, FROM
THE BEGINNING,
BEFORE THE EARTH
EXISTED.

PROVERBS 8:23 WEB

An open book is shown from a top-down perspective, lying flat. The pages are a light cream color, and the dark spine is visible in the center. The background is a soft, out-of-focus light brown. Overlaid on the upper half of the book is a white rectangular box containing text.

For the LORD gives wisdom;
from his mouth come knowledge
and understanding.

Proverbs 2:6

Ancient writings have been largely forgotten as we find ourselves in an age of information overload, as never before. Yet, in the midst of extraordinary data accessibility, where do we look to find the wisdom we need to live happy, successful and fulfilled lives?

In his book *Ancient Wisdom for Modern Times*, Reuben J. Rose takes us on a personal journey to discover and uncover the ancient wisdom that will make a difference in our daily lives. Through the lens of his own story, Reuben helps us look afresh at the human condition in light of the timeless ancient wisdom of the Bible.

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- Excelling and prospering in the workplace
- Becoming a more effective leader
- Making better decisions with money
- Choosing a life partner and strengthening your marriage, and
- Raising secure and healthy children

Finally, the book points us back to the Word of God and knowing the God of the ancient Scriptures for ourselves.

Ancient Wisdom for Modern Times is accessible, practical and potentially life-changing for anyone who will begin to examine these ancient principles and establish them in their life and the life of their family.



Reuben Rose is a lover of life and of people, with an insatiable curiosity in 'the human condition'. He has a natural ability to encourage those around him on their journey - such that his unique gifting could be described simply as that of a life coach. As well as being a husband and a father, he has had roles as a farmer, veterinarian, scientific researcher, academic leader, pastor and chairman of a group of CEOs and he is an Emeritus Professor at the University of Sydney. He has been a believer in the veracity of the Bible, and a student

of its wisdom for over 40 years and, for the last 5 years, has been studying Hebrew in order to be able to dive deeper into the wisdom of this ancient book. Reuben believes that most of our modern problems result from losing touch with ancient biblical wisdom, and more so God Himself, the Author of this wisdom. In *Ancient Wisdom for Modern Times*, Reuben shares experiences from his own life journey highlighting challenging areas of life and how biblical wisdom can not only help in daily decision-making but can transform our lives and families out of chaos and destruction into the joy, peace and purpose for which we humans were made.

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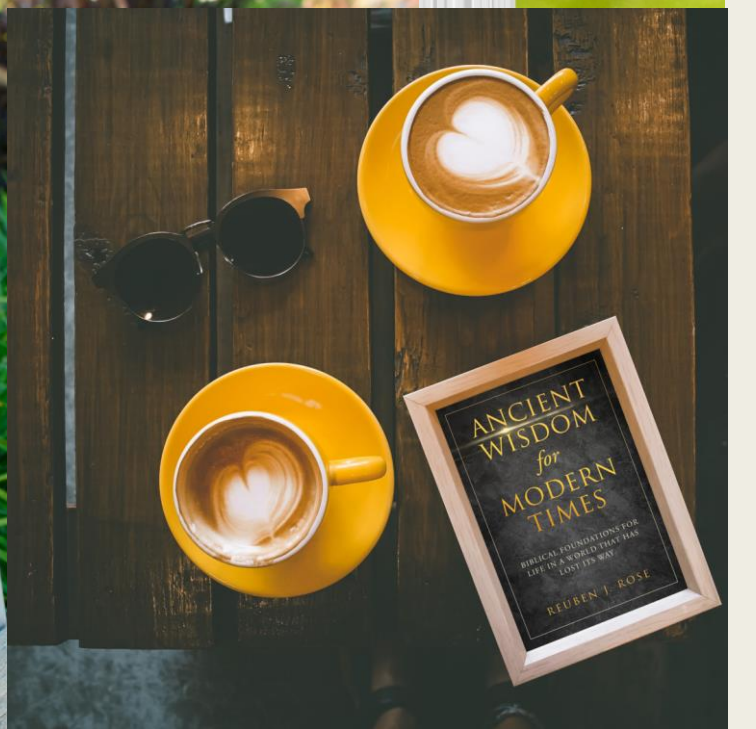
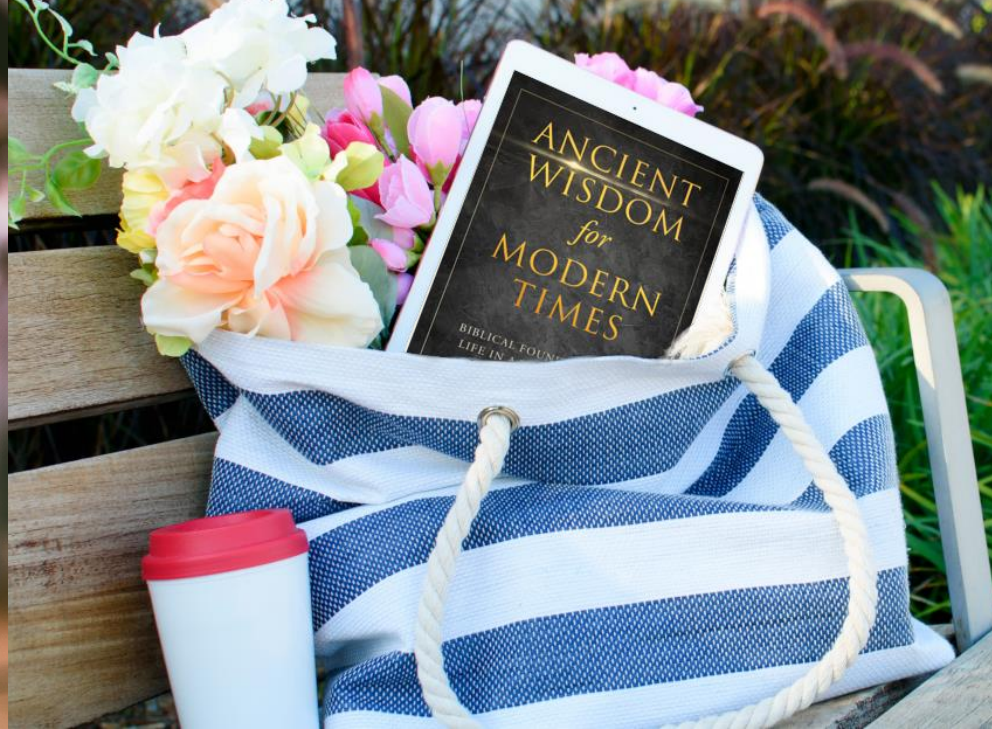
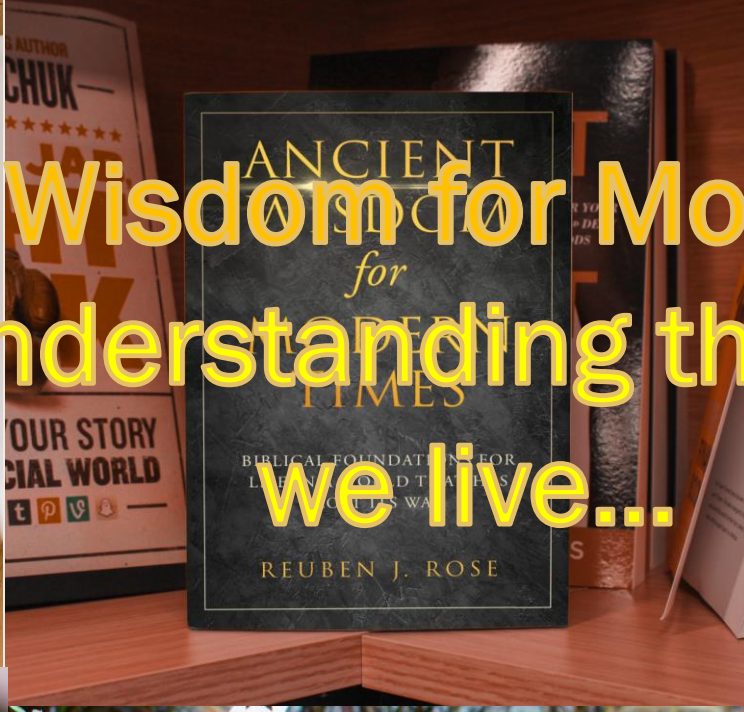
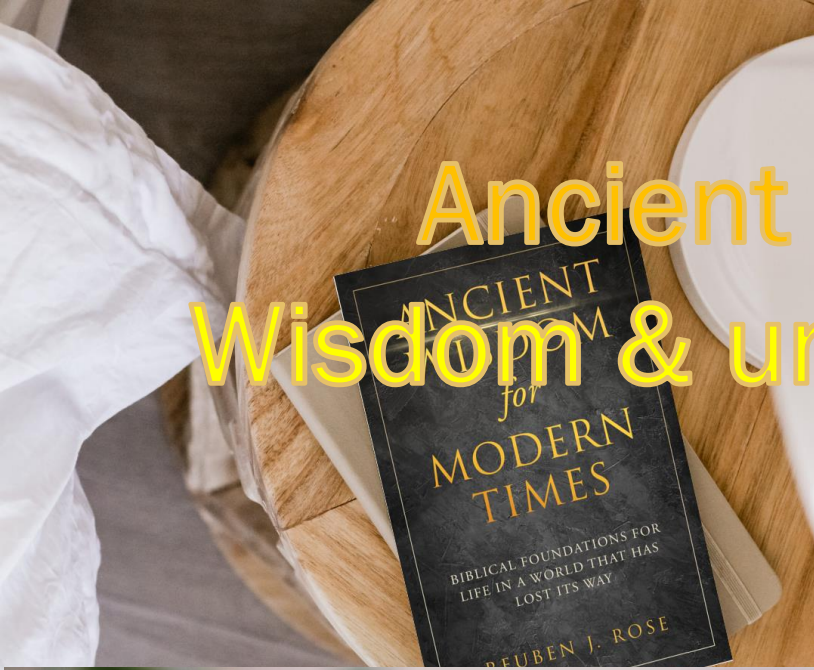
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THE BOOK
ABOUT?

ANCIENT WISDOM FOR MODERN TIMES

– BOOK CHAPTERS

- My journey towards wisdom
- What is wisdom?
- Barriers to wisdom
- Wisdom in faith
- Wisdom in friendship
- Wisdom in communication
- Wisdom in conflict
- Wisdom in planning
- Wisdom in education
- Wisdom in work
- Wisdom and money
- Wisdom in leadership
- Wisdom in love
- Wisdom in marriage
- Wisdom in parenting
- Wisdom in understanding the seasons of life
- Conclusions

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MY FOCUS TODAY IN RELATION TO WISDOM

THE FAMILY



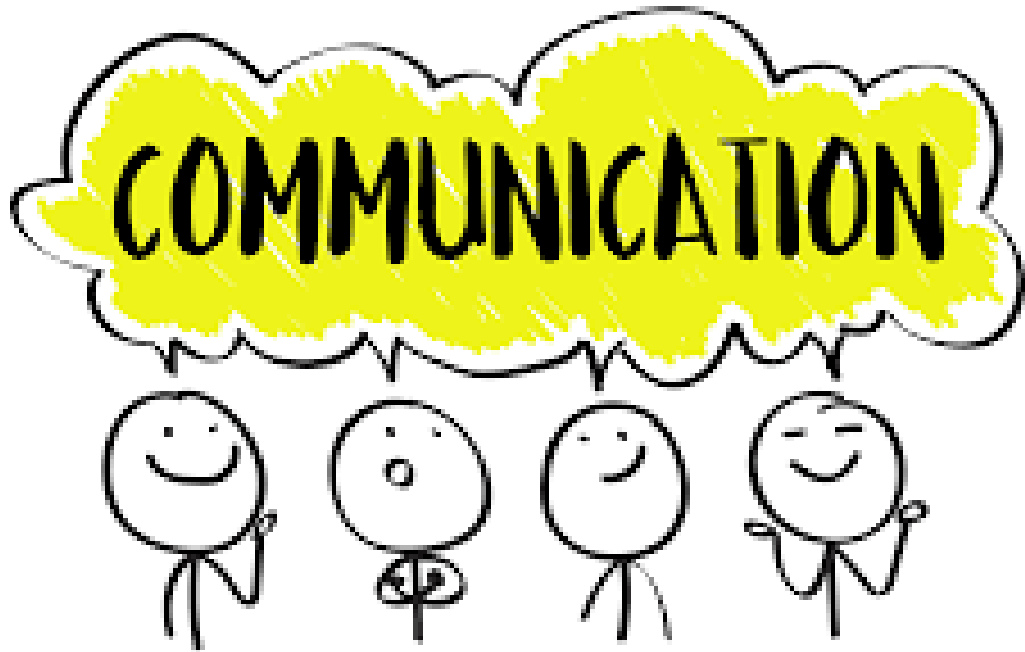
- Marriage is designed by God – Genesis 2:24
- You have an enemy (and it's not your spouse!!)
- The high calling of husbands – Eph 5:25
- “Houses and riches are an inheritance from fathers, But a prudent wife is from the LORD.” (Proverbs 19:14)
- “The rod and rebuke give wisdom, But a child left to himself brings shame to his mother.” Prov 29:15
- “Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you” (Exodus 20:12).
- Parents – don't be tempted to interfere with the law of sowing and reaping – Galatians 6:7

FRIENDSHIP



- Ultimately we should desire to be a friend of God - (Exodus 33:11; Isaiah 41:8; 2 Chronicles 20:7).
- “A man who has friends must himself be friendly” (Proverbs 18:24).
- “A friend is always loyal, and a brother is born to help in time of need” (Proverbs 17:17 NLT).
- “He who walks with wise men will be wise, But the companion of fools will be destroyed” (Proverbs 13:20).
- To be a friend – loyalty, confidentiality, time, speaking truth in love, boundaries and choosing friends wisely
- Final tip! Avoid close friendships with friends of the opposite sex

COMMUNICATION



- “The result of all communication is misunderstanding!”
- “... speaking the truth in love (Eph 4:15)
- “Do not correct a scoffer, lest he hate you; Rebuke a wise man, and He will love you; Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be still wiser; Teach a just man, and he will increase in learning.” (Proverbs 9:8-9)
- “Death and life are in the power of the tongue, And those who love it will eat its fruit.” (Proverbs 18:21)
- “A soft answer turns away wrath, But a harsh word stirs up anger.” (Proverbs 15:1)
- “Pleasant words are like a honeycomb, Sweetness to the soul and health to the bones.” (Proverbs 16:24)
- “He who has knowledge spares his words, And a man of understanding is of a calm spirit.” (Proverbs 17:27)

CONFLICT



- “So then, my beloved brethren, let every man be **swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath**; for the wrath of man does not produce the righteousness of God” (James 1:19–20).
- The danger of offense - “A brother offended is harder to be won than a strong city” (Proverbs 18:19).
- The lure of triangulation - “... if your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. Matt 18:15
- The power of forgiveness and the danger of unforgiveness – watch out for the torturers! Matt 18:21-35
- “To forgive is to set a prisoner free and discover that the prisoner was you.” Dr Lewis Smedes



GENDER FI

A person whose gender expression and shifts on the situation



Wisdom in a World That's Lost Its Way

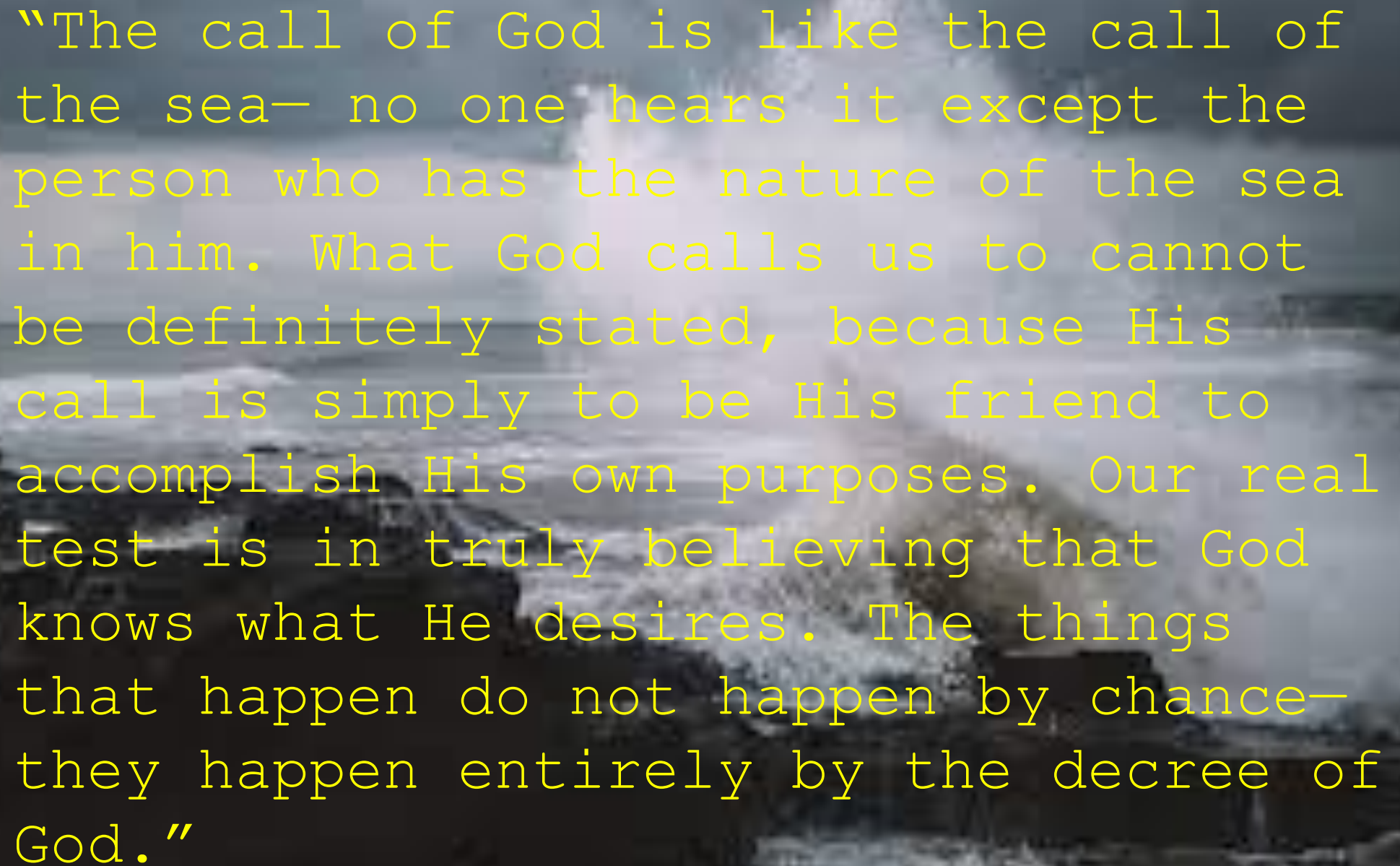
"I wish it need not have happened in my time," said Frodo.
"So do I," said Gandalf, "and so do all who live to see such times. But that is not for them to decide. All we have to decide is what to do with the time that is given us."



— J.R.R. Tolkien, *The Fellowship of the Ring*

**Ultimately,
wisdom is a call
into relationship
with God Himself**





"The call of God is like the call of the sea—no one hears it except the person who has the nature of the sea in him. What God calls us to cannot be definitely stated, because His call is simply to be His friend to accomplish His own purposes. Our real test is in truly believing that God knows what He desires. The things that happen do not happen by chance—they happen entirely by the decree of God."

Oswald Chambers My Utmost for His

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A photograph of a person wearing a red coat and blue jeans, standing next to a vintage-style suitcase. The person's hand is resting on the suitcase handle. The suitcase is light-colored with brown leather accents and metal latches. The background is blurred, suggesting an outdoor setting.

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