Small Group Questions | January 7th, 2018

Kingdom Wisdom – True Wisdom (Proverbs 3:1-12)

Sermon Recap: In introducing the Kingdom Wisdom series, Travis discussed the practical wisdom of Proverbs, saying **Kingdom living is skilled living**. Six skills: Reorientation, reflection, restraint, receptivity, reality, and relationship are lifted up in Proverbs 3, providing a great premise to the book. Travis asked the congreagation to reflect on these couplets of root action and result this week and seek wisdom from God to live a life that glorifies Him.

Hook: These questions can help encourage conversation.

- 1. What areas of your life could use more wisdom?
- 2. How does culture and your own flesh steer you towards looking inward for answers?

Look: Read the sermon passage. Answer the following textual questions.

- 3. 1 Co 1:30 "And because of him you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, righteousness and sanctification and redemption..." Why is it important to see wisdom as Christ personified?
- 4. Looking at verses 3-8, what good comes from looking to God for wisdom? What bad comes from looking inward for it?
- 5. Proverbs leans on the relationship between father and son. Why does the writer of Hebrews (12:5-6ff) emphasize this relationship in the context of life struggles?

Took: Applying the message to our lives.

- 6. What areas can you reorient your life towards God for wisdom?
- 7. What are some practical ways to build in reflection in your daily life?
- 8. What areas are most unrestrained in your life right now?
- 9. Travis said the ESV Study Bible states the "great sin of the book of Proverbs is unteachability." What is one area in your life you need to commit to prayer for wisdom?

Prayer/Verse: My son, do not despise the Lord's discipline or be weary of his reproof, for the Lord reproves him whom he loves, as a father the son in whom he delights. (Provers 3:11-12)