

A Wise Person Is One Who Knows the Holy Scriptures

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Introduction

1. "Knowledge is power" Francis Bacon
2. Increasing one's knowledge on a subject increases one's ability in the same area
3. This is true in both secular and spiritual
4. Man can be an expert in every secular subject but still lack knowledge in the most important subject
5. Paul told Timothy to be wise and told him how to be wise 2 Timothy 3:14-17
6. This is our what we want to learn today is how to have the proper knowledge of the Holy Scriptures

II Discussion

1. Proper Powerful foundation
 - a. Perilous times were ahead of Timothy 2 Timothy 3:1-3
 - b. To deal with these times Timothy is to rely upon what you know. 1 Timothy 1:2; 2 Timothy 1:3-5; 3:10, 14-17
 - c. Home is the place to learn spiritual important matters Ephesians 5:22-27; 6:1-4
 - d. Bible class teachers, sound preachers, Christian members, elders, deacons help build the proper, powerful foundation
 - e. Companions Silas, Erastus, others were companions of Timothy
 - f. Timothy is told to continue in his spiritual training 1 Timothy 4:12-13; 2 Timothy 2:12; 3:14 (continue)
 - g. Religious leaders could be and may be wrong, scribes, Pharisees, chief priest, misguided and taught false doctrine Matthew 15:3-9
2. Proper Interpretation
 - a. Scriptures do not originate with man 2 Peter 1:19-21
 - b. Some do wrest the scriptures 2 Peter 3:15-16; 2:1-3 (twist)
 - c. Timothy was to handle aright 2 Timothy 2:15; rightly divide
 - d. Thus right Hermeneutics are needed Matthew 4:6; 22:29; 2 Corinthians 2:17; 4:2
 - e. Scribes and Pharisees followed tradition as if it were Scriptures Matthew 15:3-9
 - f. From a proper understanding of Scriptures we find the proper pattern Hebrews 3:5
 - i. How the universe was made Psalm 19:1-2
 - ii. How to apply the Old Testament Romans 15:4; Hebrews 10:1; Romans 6:16-18; 12:1-2
 - iii. Not all Scriptures apply to us today John 16:13 2 Peter 1:3-4 there is not new revelation today.
 - iv. When to worship Acts 2:42; 20:7; 1 Corinthians 11:18, 20, 26, 33; 16:1-2
 - g. We are to be filled with knowledge and wisdom Colossians 1:9-11
3. Proper Application
 - a. We are to walk worthy of the wisdom Colossians 1:9-11
 - b. Putting what we know to work

- c. 2 Timothy 3:16-17 Scriptures lead us in every and all good works
- d. Colossians 3:17 In word and deeds
- e. 2 Timothy 2:2 teach others to do the same that they will teach others to do the same
- f. 1 Timothy 6:12 Fight the good fight
- g. Solomon did not follow what the Scriptures said 1 Kings 11:1-4
- h. Paul did follow 1 Corinthians 9:26-27; 11:1

III Conclusion

1. Did Solomon realize his mistakes and repent, many think so and that is why he wrote Ecclesiastes 12:8-14
2. Knowledge is power
3. What will you do with the knowledge/power that you have received
4. Will you obey today?

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