

Ask for Wisdom, Seek Truth & Knock

Main theme: **Matthew 7:7 & John 14:6**

“Ask, and it shall be given you, seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you”.
...”I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.”

WISDOM- Ability to discern inner qualities and relationships: **INSIGHT**, Good sense: **JUDGMENT**

Accumulated philosophical or scientific learning: **KNOWLEDGE**

The teachings of the ancient wise men.

TRUTH- The body of real things, events & facts. **ACTUALITY** The state of being the case: **FACT**

Often capitalized: a transcendent fundamental of spiritual reality.

DOOR & WAY- A moveable structure used to close off an entrance.

A road, path, or highway affording passage from one place to another.

So what are we to ask for? PERHAPS WISDOM WOULD BE A FINE CHOICE

“In Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, Ask what I shall give thee.” **1 Kings 3:5**

“And God gave Solomon wisdom and understanding exceeding much, and largeness of heart, even as the sand that is on the seashore. And Solomon's wisdom excelled the wisdom of all the children of the east country, and all the wisdom of Egypt. For he was wiser than all men;...” **1 Kings 4:29-31**

Can we discern our current events? Has much changed in 2000 years?

“He answered and said unto them, When it is evening, ye say, it will be fair weather, for the sky is red.” **Matthew 16:2**

“And he said also to the people, When ye see a cloud rise out of the west, straightaway ye say, there cometh a shower, and so it is. And when ye see the south wind blow, ye say, there will be heat, and it cometh to pass. Ye hypocrites, ye can discern the face of the sky and of the earth, but how is it that ye do not discern this time?” **Luke 12:54-56**

Reference: **2 Timothy 3:1-5**

Seek TRUTH: Where do we seek truth? THE BIBLE IS GOD'S WORD.

“And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.” **John 8:32**

“Heaven and Earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away.” **Mark 13:31**

What we know about the Bible: 1. Scientific accuracy 2. Historical accuracy 3. Reads as one book 4. Accurate prophecy 5. Book for all ages.

Job 26:7 written 3500 years ago....”He stretches out the North over empty space; He hangs the Earth on nothing.” God revealed the Earth round to Isaiah (**Isa 40:22**) ...”water becomes hard like stone, and the surface of the deep is imprisoned” (**Job 38:30**)

1st & 2nd Laws of Thermodynamics. Origin of Life, Origin of Sexes, Countless Stars, etc....it is true and accurate to the historical events recorded by non-religious sources. Archaeological events and historical writings prove the Bible to be true. The Bible reads as one book. Even though it was written by more than 40 different authors, over three continents, in three different languages, and is comprised of over 66 individual documents, it is cohesive down to the last detail.

How do we know that the Bible we have is the actual Word of God?

“...and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to **make you wise for salvation** through faith in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.” **2 Timothy 3:15-17**

What does “wise unto salvation” mean?

Additionally, not only will scripture study make us wise but it will make us "wise unto salvation." How is this so? Simply, defined wisdom is finding and adhering to truth, which is eternal and unchanging.

KNOCK AND IT SHALL BE OPENED UNTO YOU

The Parable of the Persistent Neighbor **Luke 11:5-10**

When Mathematics, Probabilities & Statistics overcome the Science

“...that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me...Luke 24:44

1 out of 2.54×10^{28}

The number above indicates the probability that 31 selected prophecies from the below (4) categories could be fulfilled by one single male.

1) Christ's Ancestry, 2) Christ's Birth, 3) Christ's Ministry, 4) Christ's Death & Resurrection

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