31 Days of Wisdom- Pt. 5

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding. Proverbs 9:10

We tend to live in <u>reverent</u> fear of God or live as if He does not <u>exist</u> at all.

Wisdom given to us in God's word is part of the <u>massive</u> character transformation process that <u>begins</u> in us when we confess our sin and follow Jesus.

A culture thrives best when its leaders can be trusted.

When the righteous thrive, the people rejoice; when the wicked rule, the people groan. Proverbs 29:2

<u>Persistent</u> selfishness slowly begins to lower people's standards until they just simply expect less.

18 Where there is no revelation, people cast off restraint; but blessed is the one who heeds wisdom's instruction. Proverbs 29:18

When the authority of any home or culture is not established upon the truth of the Word of God, then each person is free to <u>cast off restraint</u> and determine their own truth.

*Fear of man will prove to be a snare, but whoever trusts in the Lord is kept safe. Proverbs 29:25* 

It requires great <u>courage</u> and discipline to follow Jesus in a <u>culture</u> that does not.

We have to believe that Jesus can change the world again.

The righteous care about justice for the poor, but the wicked have no such concern. Proverbs 29:7

If you don't know where to start, simply start by caring.