Wise in Word; Mighty in Spirit

What is Wisdom?

Matthew 7:24-25 (NIV)

Therefore everyone who hears these <u>words</u> of mine and puts them into <u>practice</u> is like a <u>wise</u> man who built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock.

John 6:63 (NIV)

The Spirit gives life; the flesh counts for nothing. The <u>words</u> I have spoken to you – they are full of the Spirit and life.

Joshua 1:8 (NIV)

Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful.

What is the purpose of wisdom?

Romans 5:3-4 (NASB)

And not only this, but we also exult in our tribulations, knowing that tribulation brings about perseverance; and perseverance, proven <u>character</u>; and proven character, hope;

The 5 Building Blocks Of Wisdom

1 Corinthians 16:13-14 (NIV)

Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong. Do everything in love.

B.U.I.L.D a life with wisdom

- Be Alert
- Use Faith
- Inspire Courage
- Live Strong

• Do Everything in Love

Be Alert

1 Peter 5:8 (NIV)

Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour.

Matthew 4:1-4 (NIV)

Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. After fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. The tempter came to him and said, "If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become bread." Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.""

Use Faith

Colossians 3:2 (NIV)

Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things.

Philippians 4:8 (NIV)

...whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable – if anything is excellent or praiseworthy – think about such things.

Matthew 4:5-7 (NIV)

Then the devil took him to the holy city and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. "If you are the Son of God," he said, "throw yourself down. For it is written: "He will command his angels concerning you, and they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone." Jesus answered him, "It is also written: 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test."

Inspire Courage

Deuteronomy 31:6 (NIV)

Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the LORD your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you.

Courage means boldness and confidence

Matthew 4:8-11 (NIV)

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor. "All this I will give you," he said, "if you will bow down and worship me." Jesus said to him, "Away from me, Satan! For it is written: 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only.'" Then the devil left him, and angels came and attended him.

Live Strong

Isaiah 41:10 (NASB)

Do not fear, for I am with you; do not anxiously look about you, for I am your God. I will <u>strengthen</u> you, surely I will help you, surely I will uphold you with My righteous right hand.

John 14:16-17 (NASB)

I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may be with you forever; that is the Spirit of truth, ...but you know Him because He abides with you and will be in you.

Do Everything In Love

1 Corinthians 13:4-5, 7 (NIV)

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. ...It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

Matthew 22:37-39 (NIV)

Jesus replied: "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'"

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