GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

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BE WISE
The Worthy Search
Proverbs 2
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NOTES	Pastor Matt described how the path of foolishness leads to personal and relational destruction, while in contrast, the path of wisdom leads to human flourishing in all areas of life.
	MY STORY Describe a time when following some wise advice saved your bacon.
	WHAT DOES GOD WANT US TO HEAR? For the Lord gives wisdom; from his mouth come knowledge and understanding; he stores up sound wisdom for the upright; he is a shield to those who walk in integrity, guarding the paths of justice and watching over the way of his saints. Then you will understand righteousness and justice and equity, every good path; (From Proverbs 2)
	What does Solomon mean by "receiving his words?" What does it look like to read and, even fully understand these proverbs, but not to "receive" them?
Looking back at your notes from this	According to Pastor Matt, what does a heart inclined toward foolishness look like?

Looking back at your notes from this week's message, was there anything you heard for the first time, stuck with you, challenged or confused you?

What is the one important thing you will take away from this weekend's message or our community group discussion? Is there any challenge, difficulty or praise that you would like to share with the group for prayer?

Name all the contrasts between the paths of wisdom and foolishness in Proverbs 2.

What does God want us to hear? What some of the more factual "takeaways" from this passage for you?



WHAT DOES GOD WANT US TO DO?

Pastor Matt said, "The way of evil is the path of misery. It is deception, and destruction, and it ultimately leads to death. But Proverbs urges us to seek wisdom - to pursue it, to cry out for it, to search for it as for hidden treasure."

What does it look like to dial up the intensity of one's search for God's wisdom?

How do you increase your chances of finding God's wisdom for a major decision by seeking out the counsel of mature believers you trust?

If wisdom is the application of knowledge, what is the application of wisdom?

What does God want us to do? What are some hypothetical, but practical, ways to apply this chapter from Proverbs?

WHAT DOES GOD WANT ME TO DO?

What decisions can you make ahead of time, before facing a temptation to do something foolish?

Why is it wise to do this mental prep work so that you don't have to make that decision in the heat of the moment?

How can you practically walk down the path of wisdom in regard to a significant decision you're facing?

What does God want ME to do? What is the personal application and action step God is calling you, personally, toward?

