

# Of Wisdom and Family

Proverbs 23: 22-25

Wisdom is not a path to the good  
life

But the path of wisdom is the  
good life

We must have it at any rate;  
whatever it costs us, we shall not  
repent the bargain

-Matthew Henry

## 2 Chronicles 1:8-12

And Solomon said to God: “You have shown great and faithful love to my father David, and You have made me king in his place.

Lord God, let Your promise to my father David now come true. For You have made me king over a people as numerous as the dust of the earth.

Now grant me wisdom and knowledge so that I may lead these people, for who can judge this great people of Yours?”

God said to Solomon, “Since this was in your heart, and you have not requested riches, wealth, or glory, or for the life of those who hate you, and you have not even requested long life, but you have requested for yourself wisdom and knowledge that you may judge My people over whom I have made you king, wisdom and knowledge are given to you.

## Wise reminders for family

1. More often than not, the family is the first, middle, and last place for the greatest of pain and futility in our life.
2. How are we defining difficult?
3. Hurt people hurt people
4. What is your desired outcome?
5. Boundaries and compassion can co-exist
6. What role do you take on? Servant or savior?
7. We will only truly comfort out of the comfort we have been shown
8. How do I love them?
9. Check ourselves before we wreck ourselves
10. Our job is not to fix our family it is to love our family

May we never  
separate wisdom  
from love

Philippians 2:3-5

Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourself, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of others.

In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus.

Love is unselfishly choosing for  
another's highest good

-C.S. Lewis



1 John 4

This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through Him.