

# The Secret To Foolproofing Your Life

*Foolproof: Wisdom For Life From The Book of Proverbs*

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## Introduction

Get wisdom, get understanding; do not forget my words or turn away from them. <sup>6</sup> Do not forsake wisdom, and she will protect you; love her, and she will watch over you.<sup>7</sup> The beginning of wisdom is this: Get wisdom. Though it cost all you have, get understanding. **Proverbs 4:5-7**

The proverbs of Solomon son of David, king of Israel: <sup>2</sup>for gaining wisdom and instruction; for understanding words of insight; <sup>3</sup>for receiving instruction in prudent behavior, doing what is right and just and fair; <sup>4</sup>for giving prudence to those who are simple, knowledge and discretion to the young—<sup>5</sup>let the wise listen and add to their learning, and let the discerning get guidance—<sup>6</sup>for understanding proverbs and parables, the sayings and riddles of the wise. **Proverbs 1:1-6**

**Define Proverbs:** Short memorable wise truths

**Purposes of Proverbs:** Gaining wisdom and doing what is right

**Main Idea:** The secret to foolproofing your life is to get wisdom, no matter the cost!

## I. Realize You Need A Source Wiser Than You To Guide Your Decisions

*The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and instruction. Proverbs 1:7*

*...Christ, <sup>3</sup> in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. Colossians 2:2-3*

## II. Value Wisdom As If It Is Real Money

\*Moral benefits (Proverbs chapter 2)

\*Bestows well-being (Proverbs chapter 3)

*Blessed are those who find wisdom, those who gain understanding, <sup>14</sup> for she is more profitable than silver and yields better returns than gold. <sup>15</sup> She is more precious than rubies; nothing you desire can compare with her. Proverbs 3:13-15*

## III. Make Gaining Wisdom And Instruction A Part Of Your Daily And Weekly Life

\*Spiritual habits

\*What gets scheduled gets done

*Out in the open wisdom calls aloud, she raises her voice in the public square; <sup>21</sup> on top of the wall she cries out, at the city gate she makes her speech: Proverbs 1:20-21*