

Introduction:

Principle #1: It all begins with God

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

Proverbs 9:10 (NIV)

⁵ If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him.

James 1:5 (ESV)

Practice:

I want God to make His _____ my _____ for relational guidelines.

I want to _____ everything I read through Your Spirit.

Through Your Spirit, give me clear _____ from Your Word.

¹¹ For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.

Jeremiah 29:11(NIV)

Making God's Word your handbook for relational guidelines:

- If you are single 1 Corinthians 7
- If you are married Ephesians 5
- If you are a parent Deuteronomy 6
Ephesians 6
- If you are married to an unbeliever 1 Peter 3
- If you are divorced Matthew 5
Matthew 19
1 Corinthians 7
- If you are in a business The book of Proverbs

Discussion Questions:

1. Why does building great relationships need to begin with an accurate understanding of God?

2. From James 1:5, what does God promise to give us if we ask Him?

Are there any conditions?

3. Why is using the Bible important to building great relationships?

4. If we neglect God's Word, is there another way to gain God's wisdom?