

## Small Group & Personal Bible Study

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### Memory Verses: Proverbs 1:7

“Fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and discipline.”

### Discovery Bible Study Exercise:

In your journal or on a piece of paper make three columns and follow these steps:

- Step #1: Read Proverbs 1:7
- Step #2: Re-write in your own words Proverbs 1:7
- Step #3: Write down what you discover from this passage
- Step #4: What will you do to obey what this passage says?

### Daily Meditation Readings:

Day 1 – Deuteronomy 5 (The Ten Commandments)

Day 2 – Deuteronomy 6:1-6

Day 3 – Deuteronomy 6:7-9

Day 4 – Proverbs 2:1-11

Day 5 – Proverbs 3:1-6

### Lesson: How to raise Godly kids in an ungodly world.

1. Read the memory verse for this week, Proverbs 1:7. Describe to the group what you understand from this verse?

I find that this verse is teaching me that before I can ever hope to understand truth, I must believe and honor God as the one and only source of knowledge. King Solomon understood this when He asked God for wisdom out of reverence and respect for the Lord. If I do not fear, respect and honor God I will not take His word into my heart and seek to obey. But when I do fear, respect, and honor God I will listen to every word as truth and as good direction for my life.

2. Read Proverbs 2:1-11 and Proverbs 3:1-6. What instruction does this give you as a parent and as a Christian?

There is a promise from God that if I take His word, treasure it, remember it, obey it, He will protect and guard me, give me wisdom and understanding, I will find victory and blessing. And these verse indicate that I should pass them onto my children.

3. What do you think is the most effective way for a parent to teach their children what God has to say in His Word? What about teaching the Ten Commandments?

It is always a must that if we want someone to believe and accept what we tell them we must go first. In other words, we must obey and be the light that let's God's word show up in our actions. This includes the obedience to His commandments. I should teach god's commands and make them a part of every aspect of my life and I must live them out in front of my children.

4. Looking at Deuteronomy 6:2, what role does the parent play in the Kingdom of God?

This verse indicates that as a parent, I should have influence on my children, grandchildren and beyond. My parenting should not only look to grow my children up in the Lord and His word but also generations to come by showing how to live, love, and pass on the grace of God.