

**WISDOM VS. WISDOM
ROUND 2**

1 Corinthians 3:18-23

A Paradox Again

- 1 Corinthians 1:19-21
- 1 Corinthians 3:18-23

An Arab Proverb

- He that knows not and knows not that he knows not, he is a fool – shun him!
- He that knows not and knows that he knows not, he is simple – teach him!
- He that knows and knows not that he knows, he is asleep – wake him!
- He that knows and knows that he knows, he is a wise man – follow him!

TODAY WE WILL ADD ONE MORE, A BIBLICAL ADJUSTMENT!

Three Commands (not suggestions)

- Do not be deceived
- Become a fool
- Do not boast in men

¹⁸ Let no one deceive himself. If anyone among you seems to be wise in this age, let him become a fool that he may become wise. ¹⁹ For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it is written, “*He catches the wise in their own craftiness*”;

²⁰ and again, “*The Lord knows the thoughts of the wise, that they are futile.*” ²¹ Therefore let no one boast in men. For all things are yours: ²² whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas, or the world or life or death, or things present or things to come—all are yours. ²³ And you are Christ’s, and Christ is God’s.

4 Let a man so consider us, as

Do Not Deceive Yourself

◎ The Lie

- Proverbs 3:7
- Proverbs 12:15
- Proverbs 26:12
- 1 Corinthians 3:18

Oh, to be a Fool

- Is wisdom bad? And foolishness good?
- We need some clarification
- Wisdom vs. Wisdom (Round 2)

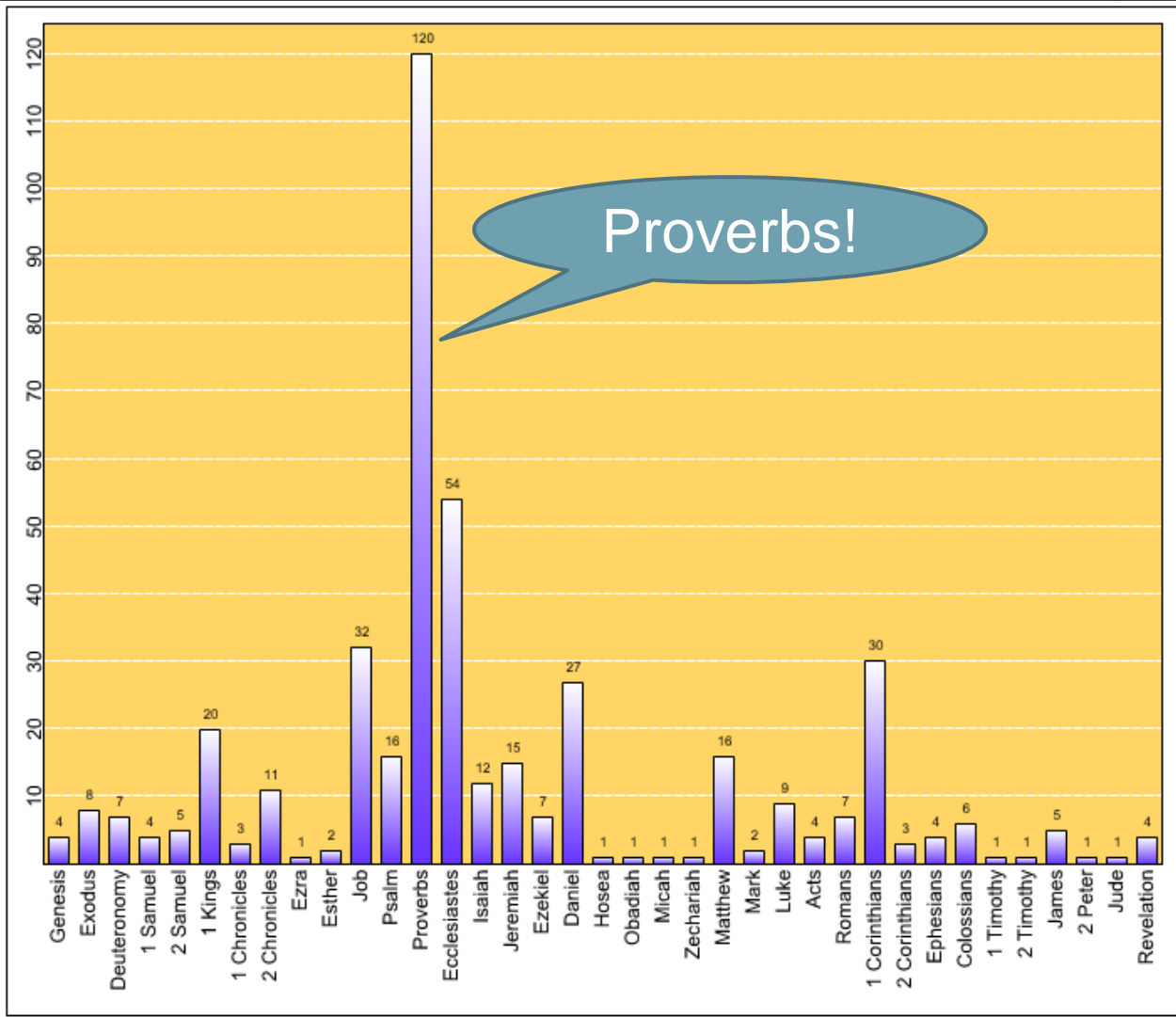
Godly Wisdom vs. Wisdom of Man

- ◎ Where does it come from?
 - From God vs. From Self
- ◎ How do we get it?
 - Asking vs. Assuming you already have it
- ◎ What is your attitude?
 - Fear God, Seek His Wisdom vs. Pride
- ◎ When do we apply it?
 - In our own life vs. “schooling” others

What should we do?

- ① We need the adjectives!
- ② We need the Source
- ③ Seek Him in his word

Wisdom in the Bible



The Ultimate Wisdom

“There remains a mystery in God
...thus the ultimate wisdom lies not in
finding the answer to the ultimate
questions, but rather in the encounter
with the living God.”

-Baker Encyclopedia of the Bible

What does God think?



The 3rd Command

- ⦿ Do not boast in men
- ⦿ Futility is the reason
- ⦿ All things are yours is the response

“All Things are Yours”

- ◎ What does this mean?
- ◎ The Body of Christ Principle
 - 2 Corinthians 10:7
 - Ephesians 1:22-23
 - Ephesians 4:15-16

Three Commands

- ⦿ Do not be deceived
 - Understand the Source
- ⦿ Become a fool
 - *According to the world, that you may become wise according to God*
- ⦿ Do not boast in men
 - Apply the Body of Christ principles