

Growing Deeper

The Nine Paths: Finding Your Unique Approach to Growth, Relationships and Spirituality

Week Seven: *The Path of Knowledge*

Proverbs 3:5-6

Spend FIFTEEN – Day One

1. How would you define “knowledge”?
2. What positives and negatives come to mind when you think about the path of knowledge?
3. Read Proverbs 3:5-6. What does God’s Word advise his people to do?
4. Read Romans 11:33-36. How do human knowledge and understanding differ from God’s?
5. When in your life have you experienced God’s knowledge and wisdom being superior to your own?
6. End your FIFTEEN in worship as you meditate on the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God.

Spend FIFTEEN – Day Two

7. Read Romans 11:33-36 and Proverbs 3:5-6. If God’s knowledge is beyond tracing out, how can we trust it?
8. What does it mean to trust in the LORD with **all** your heart?
9. What resources does God offer to share his knowledge and give us understanding? (see Acts 17:11, John 14:25-27, Hebrews 1:1-3)
10. What does God’s Word mean when it says, “In all your ways submit to him?”
11. Why should people do that?
12. How can people do that?
13. End your FIFTEEN in prayer. Ask God to help you take advantage of the resources he has given. Ask God to grow

your ability to trust him and submit to him.

Spend FIFTEEN – Day Three

14. Does it bother you when there is not an “acceptable” explanation for something?

15. What are some mysterious or unexplainable things about God?

16. How do God’s mysteries affect your ability to trust God?

17. How does your struggle for answers affect your ability to trust people?

18. Read 1 Corinthians 8:1-2 and 1 Corinthians 13:2. How would your relationships change if you prioritized love over knowledge?

19. End your FIFTEEN in prayer. Ask God to show you where your demand for knowledge has been a barrier between you, God and the people around you.

Spend FIFTEEN – Day Four

20. Reread Proverbs 3:5-6. What image comes to mind when you read the phrase, “he will make your paths straight”?

21. What does this phrase mean in terms of life experience?

22. What are the benefits of “straight paths”?

23. How would believing this truth help you let go of the compulsion to solve problems and understand everything?

24. Where do you need a “straight path?”

25. End your FIFTEEN asking God to align your ways to his and put you on a straight path.

Spend FIFTEEN – Day Five

26. Proverbs 18:15 says it is discerning and wise to seek knowledge. What is the warning in Ecclesiastes 1:18?

27. Why do you think Solomon said this?

28. What other warnings would you add to the pursuit of knowledge?

29. Read John 14:6. What does Jesus say about himself?

30. What is Jesus offering those on the quest for knowledge?

31. How does this help you trust God and people?

32. As you finish your final FIFTEEN this week, consider all that it means to trust in God's revealed wisdom through Jesus. Pray accordingly.