Live It 11 — You're Not The Source

Take-Home Devotional · God Is Wise

WEEKLY GRATITUDE PROMPT

Gratitude reminds us how often God's wisdom led us better than our own would have.

This week: Each day, thank God for one time you can look back on and see that His way was wiser than the plan you would have chosen — a closed door, a redirect, an answer that came differently than you expected. Remembering His wisdom builds trust for the decisions ahead.

Write it down or say it out loud before bed.

GOAL FOR THE WEEK

Wisdom grows when we keep asking instead of straining.

This week's goal: Read James 1:5 once each day. Read it slowly, and each time ask one question: What does this show me about God? Then bring one real decision to Him and actually ask for wisdom.

DEVOTIONAL THOUGHTS

Devotional 1 — He Gives Without Scolding

Read This Verse: James 1:5

“If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault.” Notice what God does with your lack — He doesn't shame you for not having it figured out. He gives. Generously. Without finding fault. You don't have to manufacture wisdom or pretend you have it together. You just have to ask. The door to God's wisdom isn't a high IQ; it's a humble request.

Reflection Prompt: What decision have you been straining over that you've never simply asked God about?

Prayer Prompt: “God, I don't have this figured out. I'm asking You for wisdom, and I trust You to give it.”

Devotional 2 — A Moment vs. Eternity

Read This Verse: Isaiah 55:8–9

“As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways.” You decide based on what you can see, what you've experienced, and what you feel. But God leads based on everything you cannot see. You're thinking from a moment; God is leading from eternity. That's not a brush-off — it's a relief. You were never equipped to see the whole picture, and you were never asked to. You can trust the One who does.

Reflection Prompt: How much of your stress is trying to make an eternity-sized decision with a moment-sized view?

Prayer Prompt: “God, You see what I can't. I'll trust Your higher ways over my limited view.”

Devotional 3 — Stay Connected to the Source

Read This Verse: Proverbs 3:5–6

“Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.” Wisdom isn't a trophy you win once and own forever — even Solomon drifted when he stopped depending on God. It's a connection you keep. You were never meant to be the source. You were meant to stay connected to the Source, and the wisest thing you can do is simply follow Him.

Reflection Prompt: Where are you leaning on your own understanding instead of staying connected to God?

Prayer Prompt: “God, I lay down the pressure to be the source. Help me lean on You and follow.”