WISDOM FOR RIGHTEOUS LIVING

1. An inspired source of wise counsel
   a) The whole Bible is filled with wise counsel. 2 Timothy 3:16 Which book of the Bible is known for much wisdom for righteous living?
   b) Who was the primary author of the Proverbs? Proverbs 1:1, 2 Peter 1:20-21
   c) Where did Solomon acquire such wisdom? 1 Kings 3:6-12, 4:29-34
   d) How can we find access to that wisdom today? James 1:5, Psalm 119:105

2. Wisdom for righteous living found in the Psalms
   a) Psalm 127 – a psalm of Solomon
      i) Psalm 126:1-5
      ii) What wisdom for life do you find in this psalm?
   b) Psalm 90 – a psalm of Moses.
      i) Psalm 90:1-6, 7-12, 13-17
      ii) What wise counsel in this psalm of Moses impacts you as relevant for your life today?
      iii) What does it mean to “number our days”? v.12
      iv) How does numbering our days help us to apply our hearts to wisdom?
      v) What experience in life helped you to realize that life is short and has caused you to view life in a different way?
   c) Psalm 141 – a psalm of David
      i) Psalm 141:1-4, 5-10
      ii) What warning to do see about progression in evil in v.4? (See also Psalm 1:1)
      iii) What can we learn about prayer from this psalm of David?
      iv) What portion of this prayer psalm impresses you the most?
   d) Psalm 89 – a psalm of Ethan the Ezrahite
      i) Who was Ethan the Ezrahite?
      ii) What important wisdom for righteous living is contained in the opening and closing verses of his psalm? Psalm 89:1,52
   e) Psalm 119 is the longest of the psalms recorded in the Book of Psalms. What wise counsel in this psalm has God used to bless your life? For example:
      i) v.11 – Your word have I hidden in my heart….
      ii) v.105 – Your word is a lamp to my feet…

3. The blessings of righteous living
   a) Psalm 1:1-3, 112:1-9, Psalm 23:1,6
   b) How have you seen the LORD bless your life as you have followed His wise counsel for righteous living?
   c) What is the best way to share with others the blessings that will come when following the wisdom for righteous living contained in the Word of God?