

## THE WAY OF WISDOM IN THE INFORMATION AGE PROVERBS 4:20-27

### The Way of Wisdom Is Holistic

Proverbs 4:20 – “Turn your **ear** to my words...”; 4:25 – “Let your **eyes** look straight ahead...”;  
4:23 – “Guard your **heart**...”; 4:24 – “Keep corrupt talk far from your **lips**...”; 4:27 – “Keep your **foot** from evil.”

- Wisdom involves our whole selves
- Our intakes make us wise or foolish, spiritually healthy or spiritually sick

### The Way of Wisdom Is Intentional

Proverbs 4:20 – “**Pay attention** to what I say; **turn** your ear to my words.” 4:26-27 – “Give **careful thought** to the paths for your feet and **be steadfast** in all your ways. **Do not turn** to the right or the left; keep your foot from evil.”

- Intentionality of what we listen to
- Intentionality of where we go online
- Passivity rather than intentionality leads us off the path

### The Way of Wisdom Is God-Oriented

Proverbs 1:7 – “The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and instruction.”  
Proverbs 2:6 – “For the Lord gives wisdom; from His mouth come knowledge and understanding.”

- We become wise in proximity to God
- Wisdom is less about *information* than *orientation*
- Wisdom is a life oriented around God
  - Looking to God
  - Listening to His words
  - Loving Him

**Response:** Is the orientation of your life, and your information diet, leading you on a path of wisdom or a path of foolishness?