

**THIS 'DEVO' was written from his cell in FoxLake Wisconsin USA, a few days ago.**

Marshall has served 22 years of a double homicide life sentence. We met by email on July 31, 2020, as I was preparing to launch the website. Marshall wrote his first Devo which I edited and posted on Facebook on Nov 1, 2020. He, along with his wife (Married Nov 1, 2022 - they met in 2019, Jessica was hired to manage programs at the New Lisbon Correctional Centre - and it was Jessica who introduced me to him). I dearly love this couple which has produced over 1,300 Devos (as Marshall and I call them.)

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**Tomorrow's Devo:**

**May 26, 2026 - Proverbs 2:6, the source of true knowledge and wisdom**

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Proverbs 2:6  
Hi Everyone!

In my prison environments, I have always been a "go to guy" for anything pertaining to books, knowledge-based matters, or spiritual things in the Bible.

If I don't know something, I will find someone who does, and I will gladly get the answer to someone in need. I also have been blessed

with a certain wisdom that helps me to discern people, situations, and outcomes.

I am currently in Trinity International University, pursuing my Bachelor's Degree in Biblical Studies with a Minor in Psychology, and I have been blessed to maintain a 4.0 GPA. The more I learn, the more I realize how much I don't know and how much I am yet to learn.

I also realize that it is not me who is knowledgeable on my own, but it is God who continues to make Himself known to me, so that I am capable of knowing anything.

Today, we will look at Proverbs 2:6, the source of true knowledge and wisdom.

***"For the LORD giveth wisdom: out of His mouth cometh knowledge and understanding."***

There is a connection to this verse and previous verses in this chapter.

In Proverbs 2:3-5, the Bible says, ***"Yea, if thou criest after knowledge, and liftest up thy voice for understanding; If thou seekest her as silver, and searchest for her as for hid treasures; THEN shalt thou understand the fear of the LORD, and find the knowledge of God."***

The posture we have towards God will determine what we ultimately know.

If we are humble before God, He will declare things to us that we couldn't even fathom.

Our knowledge is supposed to bring us back into the reverence and awe of God, because in Proverbs 1:7, the Bible says, ***"The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction."***

True knowledge is a full-circle event. If we have reverence for God, He will reveal Himself, when we then walk in that knowledge, it will then cause us to reverence Him more.

The word "**giveth**" implies that something was bestowed upon us like a gift.

God is the giver of our knowledge.

The Proverbs were mostly written by Solomon, known to be the wisest man in the world. How did he get there?

There are two ways that this happened. The first David his father said this to Solomon:

In 1 Kings 2:3, the Bible says, "**And keep the charge of the LORD thy God, to walk in His ways, to keep His statutes, and His commandments, and His judgments, and His testimonies, as it is written in the law of Moses, that thou mayest prosper in all that thou doest, and whithersoever thou turnest thyself.**"

Obedience and reverence to the Word of God is the first way to prostrate oneself so that one can receive the knowledge of God.

The second way.

In 1 Kings 3:9-10, the Bible says, "**Give therefore thy servant an understanding heart to judge thy people, that I may discern between good and bad: for who is able to judge this thy so great a people? And the speech pleased the LORD, that Solomon had asked this thing.**"

It pleased the LORD because Solomon was a king, someone with power and authority, but he humbled himself before an all-knowing

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and all-powerful God, and he told God he needed Him in order to be the king that he is being called to be.

Solomon knew that that his ability to be king rested in the wisdom and discernment that only God can give.

In James 1:5-6, the Bible says, ***"If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and uobraideth not; and it shall be given him. But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed."***

We have to understand that God is the only Person who can bestow upon us true knowledge, and it is an act of humility to come before God and tell Him that we need His wisdom. We have to also be assured that God is capable of performing the very thing we ask of Him, just like Solomon was.

When God speaks through His Word, or through the Holy Spirit, the Word coming from Him is knowledge and discernment, so that we will succeed in Him!

God Bless!  
Marshall & Jessica