



Deeper Life Notes “A Breath of Fresh Air” (Proverbs 2:1-9) Pastor Dan Osborn: December 29, 2019

Read: Proverbs 2:1-9

¹ My son, if you receive my words and treasure up my commandments with you, ² making your ear attentive to wisdom and inclining your heart to understanding; ³ yes, if you call out for insight and raise your voice for understanding, ⁴ if you seek it like silver and search for it as for hidden treasures, ⁵ then you will understand the fear of the Lord and find the knowledge of God. ⁶ For the Lord gives wisdom; from his mouth come knowledge and understanding; ⁷ he stores up sound wisdom for the upright; he is a shield to those who walk in integrity, ⁸ guarding the paths of justice and watching over the way of his saints. ⁹ Then you will understand righteousness and justice and equity, every good path. (ESV)

***WHY & HOW** do we breathe in the fresh air of God’s word?

1. **WHY: THE _____¹ OF BIBLE STUDY:**

BREATHE IN GOD’S WORD! 4 REASONS TO BREATHE IN GOD’S WORD (vv.5-9):

- a) It **strengthens** our fear of the LORD
- b) It **builds** our knowledge of God (2 Timothy 3:16-17)
- c) It _____² us with wisdom, discernment, & understanding
 - i. For the present (John 8:32, 17:3)
 - ii. For the future (Psalm 119:105)
- d) It **provides** protection

2. **HOW: BASELINE FOR BIBLE STUDY: HOW TO APPROACH GOD’S WORD (vv.1-4):**

- a) with **humility**
- b) with _____³ (2 Timothy 3:16-17)
- c) with a **long-view** (Psalm 119:11) d) with **head, heart, & hands** (James 1:22)
- e) with _____⁴ in mind (Prov 2:3-4) *See also: Acts 17:11 & James 1:22

¹ BLESSINGS

² gifts

³ focus

⁴ work

