

**Never Stop Learning**  
Text: Proverbs 4:1-13

Introduction

As we mature, we realize there is still much to be learned in life. We discover that, even though we have all the answers, the questions keep changing. We learn that knowledge is not enough to ensure success in life, because it must be coupled with wisdom. Wisdom has been defined as...*"The ability to make the right decision at the right time."*

**Life Principle #8:** \_\_\_\_\_

The text gives us biblical instruction on wisdom and learning. Verse 7 states that the principle (i.e., best, chief, or priority) thing is "wisdom." How is wisdom learned and obtained?

**I. Wisdom Must Be** \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 1-5a).

A. \_\_\_\_\_ (v.1) —Must teach \_\_\_\_\_ to actions.

1. Discipline is \_\_\_\_\_ and needed (Pro. 22:15; 23:13).
2. Discipline is \_\_\_\_\_ (i.e., A wise child will learn from discipline. A fool will not; cf. Pro. 27:22).

B. \_\_\_\_\_ (v.2a). —Must teach what to \_\_\_\_\_.

1. The doctrine of the \_\_\_\_\_ (*"I give you..."*)
2. The doctrine of the \_\_\_\_\_ (*"good doctrine"*).

C. \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 2b, 4). —Must teach that there are some \_\_\_\_\_.

1. God's law is \_\_\_\_\_ with the parent (*"my law"*).
2. God's law is \_\_\_\_\_ by the parent (*"He taught me"*).

D. \_\_\_\_\_ Sense (vv.1b, 5a). —Must teach practicalities.

1. Give attention to \_\_\_\_\_ common sense (v.1b).  
—Common sense is not inbred, but it is \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Give attention to \_\_\_\_\_ common sense (v.5a).

**II. Wisdom Must Be** \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 5b-7).

A. \_\_\_\_\_ of wisdom (v.5; cf. 18:1).

1. Don't \_\_\_\_\_ where you put it (*"forget it no"*).
2. Don't underestimate the \_\_\_\_\_ of it (*"and live"*).

B. \_\_\_\_\_ for wisdom (v.6).

1. Wisdom's \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Wisdom's \_\_\_\_\_.

**III. Wisdom Must be** \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 8-13).

A. \_\_\_\_\_ of wisdom (v.7).

1. Wisdom will affect the \_\_\_\_\_ of our lives.
2. Wisdom will affect the \_\_\_\_\_ of our lives (cf. Pro. 3:5-6).

B. \_\_\_\_\_ of wisdom (v.8).

1. \_\_\_\_\_ wisdom and wisdom will promote you.
2. Embrace wisdom and wisdom \_\_\_\_\_ you.

C. \_\_\_\_\_ of wisdom (v.9)

1. \_\_\_\_\_.
2. \_\_\_\_\_.

D. \_\_\_\_\_ of wisdom (vv. 10-13).

1. Wisdom is life's \_\_\_\_\_ (v.10).
2. Wisdom is life's \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 11-13)