



## Walk Wisely Proverbs 22:1

Check out one of these helpful resources:

How to Read Proverbs – Tim Mackie: <https://bit.ly/4ebfv2h>

Proverbs: The Art of Wise Living – Francois Lamprecht: <https://bit.ly/3yP6wnl>

God's Wisdom for Navigating Life Devotion – Timothy Keller: <https://bit.ly/4aLw41T>

*Allow God to speak to you through his written Word. The goal of this time is to have quality connection and time together. Choose questions from Know, Grow, and Show that will best help your group discuss the passage and take their next steps of faith. Don't feel like you need to use all the questions. Feel free to add your own too! We are praying for you as you lead your D-Group this week!*

### **KNOW** (Build Relationships)

- Who is someone you admire for their good reputation? What qualities do they possess that you find admirable?
- If you could be known for one positive character trait, what would it be and why?
- How do you think the concept of a "good name" has changed in the age of social media?
- Share a time when someone's good reputation influenced you positively.
- What's a family name or tradition that's important to you? Why does it hold significance?
- Describe a moment when you felt proud of a decision you made that upheld your values, even if it was difficult.
- What's one way your faith has influenced how you view success or wealth?



## GROW: (Grow Spiritually)

- Read Proverbs 22:1. What does it mean to have a "good name" in this context? How does this differ from our modern understanding of fame or popularity?
- Read Ecclesiastes 7:1. How does it reinforce the message of Proverbs 22:1?
- A quote from the sermon says, "A good name is the one who treasures the One above all." How does prioritizing our relationship with God contribute to having a good name?
- Reflect on Matthew 5:16. How does this verse relate to the concept of a "good name" in Proverbs 22:1?
- Read 1 Peter 2:11-12. How do these verses expand on the idea of living a life that brings glory to God?
- The sermon notes reference 2 Corinthians 5:20, describing believers as "ambassadors for Christ." How does this role relate to maintaining a good name?
- Philippians 2:14-16 is mentioned in the notes. Read this passage. How does avoiding grumbling and disputing contribute to a good reputation?
- Psalm 138:3 speaks of God increasing our "strength of soul." How might this relate to choosing a good name over riches?
- Billy Graham, in his book "The Journey", stated: "The greatest legacy one can pass on to one's children and grandchildren is not money or other material things accumulated in one's life, but rather a legacy of character and faith." How does this quote align with the message of Proverbs 22:1?



## SHOW: (Live on Mission)

- Is there a situation in your life where you need to choose favor with God over favor with others? What would that look like?
- Is there an area in your life where you've been prioritizing wealth or success over integrity? What change can you make to align with the wisdom of Proverbs 22:1?
- Who is someone you can encourage this week by acknowledging their good character?
- What's one way you can be more intentional about being an "ambassador for Christ" in your daily interactions?