



The Acmar Soul Miner

*Searching for wisdom
As for hidden treasures...
For the Lord gives wisdom*



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School of Wisdom

Enroll in the school of wisdom. Read the book of Proverbs.

Proverbs is found in the Old Testament of the Bible. Solomon wrote and compiled most of these proverbs early in his reign of Israel which was from 971-931 B.C.

A proverb is a short, concise sentence that conveys moral truth. The book of Proverbs is a collection of these wise sayings.

The Life Application Study Bible: New Living Translation states: Woven into human fabric is the desire to learn and understand. We build schools, institutes, and universities to be taught about the world and about life.

Knowledge is good, but there is a vast difference between "knowledge" (having the facts) and "wisdom" (applying these facts to life). We can amass knowledge but without wisdom our knowledge is useless. We must learn how to *live out* what we know.

The key verse is Proverbs 1:7

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge

But fools despise wisdom and instruction.

Solomon asserts that God wants people to obtain wisdom and that we should seek it.

In the Bible, a fool is one who denies God and the teaching of God. A wise person is one who respects, honors and obeys God. This will lead one to have a life worth living.

***When wisdom enters your heart,
And knowledge is pleasant to your soul,
Discretion will preserve you;
Understanding will keep you,
To deliver you from the way of evil.***
(Proverbs 2:10-12)

In Proverbs there is wisdom for young people, wisdom for leaders and wisdom for all people. Some of the themes include wisdom, speech, relationships, work and success.

Wisdom – God wants people to be wise. His Word, the Bible, leads us to live right, have right relationships and make right decisions.

Relationships – Proverbs gives advise for developing our relationships with friends, family, and co-workers. In every relationship, we must show love, dedication, and high moral standards.

***The righteous man walks in his integrity;
His children are blessed after him. (20:7)***

Speech – What we say shows our real attitude toward others. To be wise in our speech we need to use self-control. Our words should be honest and well chosen.

***A soft answer turns away wrath,
But a harsh word stirs up anger. (15:1)***

Work – We are accountable to carry out our work with diligence, discipline and honesty.

Dishonest scales are an abomination to the Lord; but a just weight is His delight. (11:1)

Success – Although people work very hard for money and fame, God views success as having a good reputation, moral character, and the spiritual devotion to obey Him.

***He who earnestly seeks good finds favor,
But trouble will come to him who seeks evil.***
(Proverbs 11:27)

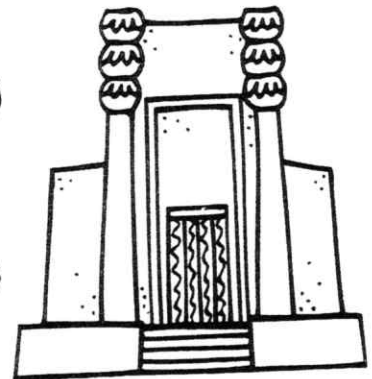
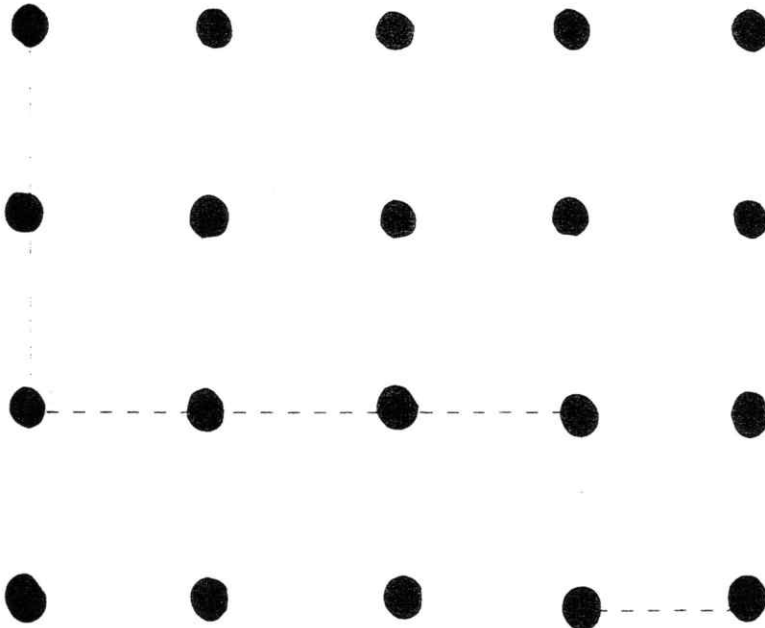
Enroll in the school of wisdom. Read Proverbs. Write down the proverbs that speak to you. Memorize them. Apply them to your life. Be open to discover God's wisdom.

Children's Camp

Gospel Light's Big Book of Kindergarten Puzzles.

|| Puzzle 99 ||

Help the girl get to the Temple to hear King Josiah read God's Word.
Draw lines in different colors to show some of the different paths
she can take.



The wisdom of God.
We see it in verses but sometimes we have
to dig to uncover the meaning.

Look Here:

***Our Bible says, "Teach me, O Lord."
(Psalm 119:33)***



Digging In:

King Josiah called the people to the Temple.
He read all the words of the Book of the Lord.

Today, we have the Bible to read.
It tells us of God's love and life through Jesus.

The Acmar Community Quilt



The "Filling Station Made of Coal" was sent in by Jessie Box of Acmar. It was printed under the "Alabama Oddities" heading by cartoonist Nick Bonner. It ran in the newspaper in May of 1936.

Built in the early 1900's, a distinguishing feature of Acmar's filling station was that the exterior is anthracite coal from the company's Acton mine. The small building was adjacent to the Commissary which was the company store of the Alabama Fuel & Iron Company. The gas station measures sixteen by eight feet with a roof extending over the pumps. It is thought that the early pumps were the type with a crank handle that would have to be turned to bring the desired amount of gas up to the top of the pump and then would be drained down into the vehicle. Later the pumps ran off of electricity.

The gas station was in use until the late 1940's. The coal mines closed in 1950 and the property was sold. This one-of-a-kind coal filling station still stands on private property.

Today, if one Googles "gas stations made of coal" the following information is shared:

While most gas stations today are built with conventional material like concrete, steel, and plastic, there's a historical example of a gas station constructed using coal. In the small mining town of Acmar, Alabama, there is a no-longer-functioning service station uniquely built with coal. The town was centered on a coal mining operation, and the use of coal in the construction reflects the town's primary industry and history. This building is located on the grounds of the former Alabama Fuel & Iron Commissary.

August 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Website www.acmarumc.org	Audio Sermon Podcasts On Website	<i>Soul Miner</i> on the Website in Gallery			1	2
3  CHURCH 9 am	4	5	6  MCA 3-5 White's Chapel	7	8  Joseph Grant Howard	9
10 CHURCH 9 am  Linda Lee	11  Alexa Wimberly	12	13 The Ark 6204 Main St Springville 35146 11 am Lunch	14 BINGO Moody Sr. 10 am  Leigh Byers	15  Adam Byers Merritt Champion	16
17  CHURCH 9 am	18  Martha Womack Will Love	19	20  MCA 3-5 White's Chapel	21  Phil Howard	22  Lee Raines	23
24  CHURCH 9 a	25	26  Coleman Gable	27	28	29	30  Beau Lamphear
31 CHURCH 9 a Individual & Family Offering						

SOUL FOOD for AUGUST

Mon., July 28
Tue., July 29
Wed., July 30
Thur., July 31
Fri., August 1
Sat., August 2

Hosea 11:1-11
Psalm 107:1-9, 43
Colossians 3:1-11
Luke 12:13-21
Isaiah 41:8-16
James 5:13-16

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Moody Crossroads / Intersection Hwy. 411/Cty. Rd. 10
Take County Rd. 10 W. (Park Ave.) toward Trussville;
Travel 1 mile; Turn right on Acmar Rd.; travel 2 miles;
Left onto Old Acton Rd., Church is on the left

Mon., August 4
Tue., August 5
Wed., August 6
Thur., August 7
Fri., August 8
Sat., August 9

Isaiah 1:1, 10-20
Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23
Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16
Luke 12:32-40
Genesis 1:20-31
Psalm 20:1-9



Food for the Soul

Mon., August 18
Tue., August 19
Wed., August 20
Thur., August 21
Fri., August 22
Sat., August 23

Jeremiah 1:4-10
Psalm 71:1-6
Hebrews 12:18-29
Luke 13:10-17
2 Corinthians 1:3-7
Isaiah 58:5-11

Mon., August 11
Tue., August 12
Wed., August 13
Thur., August 14
Fri., August 15
Sat., August 16

Isaiah 5:1-7
Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19
Hebrews 11:29 – 12:2
Luke 12:49-56
Acts 8:26-40
Matthew 10:26-31

Mon., August 25
Tue., August 26
Wed., August 27
Thur., August 28
Fri., August 29
Sat., August 30

Jeremiah 2:4-13
Psalm 81:1, 10-16
Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16
Luke 14:1, 7-14
Romans 7:14-25
Luke 13:6-9