

## **The Blessing of Wisdom & the Proverbs of Godly Stewardship**

### **1. Blessed is the one who finds wisdom – and holds fast to her**

- Seek wisdom in fearing the LORD, not as an end in itself (Pv 1)
- Seek wisdom after becoming wise (Pv 1:5; 2:1ff)
- Have we found wisdom & are we holding fast to her? (Pv 3:13-18)

### **2. Some Biblical Proverbs & Principles of Godly Stewardship**

- Wisdom is more precious & profitable than wealth (Pv 3:13-18; 23:23)

- Work hard, save & spend wisely (Pv 6:6ff, 12:11; 13:11,22; 21:17,20)

- Be generous & live justly (Pv 3:9,27; 11:24; 14:31; 19:17; 23:6; 28:25-27)

--> Honor the LORD with our wealth & first-fruits (Mal 3:6ff; Ac 2:45; Ac 4:34f; 1Co 9:14; 2Co 8 – 9; 1Tim 5)

--> We reap what we sow & God loves a cheerful giver (2Co 9:6ff)

--> Do not idolize wealth & enjoy being content (Mt 6:19ff; Php 4:11; 1Tim 6:6ff; Rev 18; Rev 21 – 22)