



Wisdom is a powerful virtue that every person should pursue.

## PROVERBS 9:10

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.

Daniel was in awe of God, not himself, putting his complete trust in Him.

### DANIEL 1:5

<sup>5</sup> The king assigned them a daily amount of food and wine from the king's table. They were to be trained for three years, and after that they were to enter the king's service.

### **DANIEL 1:6-7**

<sup>6</sup> Among those who were chosen were some from Judah: Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah. <sup>7</sup> The chief official gave them new names: to Daniel, the name Belteshazzar; to Hananiah, Shadrach; to Mishael, Meshach; and to Azariah, Abednego.

### DANIEL 1:8

<sup>8</sup> But Daniel resolved not to defile himself with the royal food and wine, and he asked the chief official for permission not to defile himself this way.

### DANIEL 1:12-13

12 "Please test your servants for ten days: Give us nothing but vegetables to eat and water to drink. 13 Then compare our appearance with that of the young men who eat the royal food, and treat your servants in accordance with what you see."

### **DANIEL 2:49**

<sup>49</sup> Moreover, at Daniel's request the king appointed Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego administrators over the province of Babylon, while Daniel himself remained at the royal court.

Daniel knew when to stand his ground and when to be a wise person of restraint.

# WISDOM knows the difference between what we don't like and what God forbids.

(James 3:17-18)

## WISDOM means not pitching a fit when someone offends our comfort zone or personal feelings.

(Romans 15:1-2)

# WISDOM means rejecting legalism and embracing a life rooted in the will of God.

(Mark 7:13; Colossians 2:20-23)

### **JAMES 3:17**

<sup>17</sup> But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere.

