The Story: Chapter Thirteen

The King Who Had it All

*“Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock.****25****And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock.****26****And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand.****27****And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell, and great was the fall of it.”*  Matthew 7:24-27

**Wisdom: Living faithfully in the presence of the King.**

**The Bathsheba Example:**

1. Honor the King.
2. Base the request on a promise.
   1. It is done in faith.
   2. It is because of faithfulness.
3. Make the request in humility.
   1. It is done with child-like faith.
   2. It is made with a submissive spirit.
   3. It is not selfish.
4. Bless the King.

**The Biblical Theological Principle:**

1. *For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the Lord.* *For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.* Isaiah 55:8-9
2. Life works differently in God’s Kingdom than in man’s kingdom.
3. Everything in the lower story is subservient to the upper story.
4. Everything in my kingdom must be subordinate to God’s Kingdom.
5. “I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ because God \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**Wisdom and the Lack Thereof:** (1st Kings 3 & *The Story*, page 177)

1. The accusation:
2. Conventional approach:
3. True wisdom reveals the heart:
4. Extreme measures???

**Wisdom – Proverbs – Promises**

* Wisdom is NOT
  + simply a generally accepted belief.
  + common sense.
  + gained by experience.
  + based on intelligence.
  + Rooted in the fear of consequences.
* Wisdom IS
  + Rooted in the fear of the LORD.
  + Received as grace.
  + Counter – intuitive.
  + Living faithfully in the eyes of God.
* Wisdom is illustrated in the Proverbs.
* The Proverbs are not promises.

**Wisdom: A Kingdom Mindset**

*The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight.* Proverbs 9:10

Proverbs 3:5-6 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Proverbs 3:9-10 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Proverbs 20:4 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Proverbs 20:10 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Proverbs 20:19 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Proverbs 20:29 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Proverbs 21:17 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**The Wisdom of God: The Temple** (*The Story,* pages 186-187)

* God’s presence with His people.
* God gives the greatest gift.
* God hears and forgives.