

THE WISDOM OF GOD

1 Kings 3:4-15 | Ephesians 1:3-14 | Luke 2:40-52

To be _____ with Wisdom

Attentive to _____

Attentive to the voice of _____

The grace of God still _____

READ. REFLECT. RESPOND. REMEMBER.

Wisdom, such as it is in the Bible, is often contrasted with foolishness. It is a common feature of Wisdom literature (Proverbs, Psalms) to talk about this contrast, especially as it relates to God.

Read Psalm 14.

Reflect:

What does the fool do? Who does the fool reject? What are the characteristics this fool has?

Many are tempted to simply ascribe a very strictly literal reading to this (that is, someone who is say, an atheist would be the fool). How does the reading change we take into account that “all have turned away, all have become corrupt; there is no who does good, not even one”? How do we, in no small way, live like atheists when it suits us?

Who does God stand with? Why? Why is that important to knowing his character?

Respond:

Wisdom is the attentive listening to and asking of God.

Remember:

“Do all these evildoers know nothing? They devour my people as though eating bread; they never call on the Lord.” Ps. 14:4