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Ecclesiastes 7:11-12 (11) *Wisdom is good with an inheritance, And profitable to those who see the sun. (12) For wisdom is a defense as money is a defense, But the excellence of knowledge is that wisdom gives life to those who have it.*

The term "*sagacity*" suggests: "quickness of perception," "soundness in judgment," and "farsightedness." It pictures a mind that can cut through a situation's useless fluff or misdirects. This is vital for a Christian because the enemy has filled the world with his cunning deceptions.

A significant lesson from Ecclesiastes is that the wisdom Solomon is promoting is indeed sagacity - however, a narrow, intensely practical, spiritual sagacity. We tend to think of wisdom as a quality held by those of significant educational levels; that is, it pertains to individuals who have achieved various university

degrees, authored some books, and sport a series of distinguishing letters behind their names.

Such distinctions may imply themselves, but Solomon has other things in mind. Though such people may have rightly earned that respect, Solomon is concerned about day-to-day living despite who they are or their position in life. This suggests that a measure of biblical wisdom is attainable by anyone whom God calls. Why? **The source is God**, who gives it as a present to those who have a bond with Him. Here we discover the most practical applications of the wisdom of Ecclesiastes. Though helpful to anyone, it is primarily reserved for those already in a relationship with God.

A child of God must understand that the wise solution in life is always to submit to God in faith humbly. It has to come *from above*! Despite the twisted reasoning the enemy can inject into our minds from numerous experiences in this worldly system, we are to do this despite the convoluted rationale. Trust in the Lord always - He will make you truly wise.

Proverbs 1:7 "The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge, But fools despise wisdom and instruction."

At His service,
Pr. Teddy Santos