The Wisdom of Pursuing Wisdom – Proverbs 2.1-6

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I. The Conditions (verses 1-4)

v1. My son, if you <u>receive</u> my words, And <u>treasure</u> my commands within you,

Ps 119.162 I rejoice at Your word, As one who finds great treasure.

v2. So that you incline your ear to wisdom, And apply your heart to understanding;

- PS 119.112 I have inclined my heart to perform Your statutes Forever, to the very end.
- Ps 119.36 Incline my heart to Your testimonies, And not to covetousness.

v3. Yes, if you cry out for discernment, And lift up your voice for understanding,

Ps 119.169 Let my cry come before You, O Lord; Give me understanding according to Your word.

v4. If you <u>seek</u> her as silver, And <u>search</u> for her as for hidden treasures;

- Ps 119.11 Your word I have hidden in my heart, That I might not sin against You.
- Ps 119.72 The law of Your mouth *is* better to me Than thousands of *coins* of gold and silver.

II. The Result:

v5. Then you will understand the fear of the Lord, And find the knowledge of God.

Prov 1.7 The fear of the Lord *is* the beginning of knowledge, But fools despise wisdom and instruction

III. The Source:

6. For the Lord gives wisdom; From His mouth come knowledge and understanding;