

WISDOM BOOKLET THEME OVERVIEW

of key information

WB	Scripture	Major Concept	Quality	Command of Christ	Theme Song
1	Matthew 5 1a. And seeing the multitudes, he went up into a mountain:	God sees differently than we see.	Alertness	29. Receive Little Ones	“Open My Eyes That I May See”
2	1b–2. And when he was set, his disciples came unto him: And he opened his mouth, and taught them, saying,	Discipleship requires a decision.	Self-Control	19. Choose the Narrow Way	“We’ve a Story to Tell to the Nations”
3	3. Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.	Humility comes by understanding depravity.	Gratefulness	34. Be a Servant	“Just As I Am”
4	4. Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.	Mourning requires visualization.	Humility	1. Repent	“Amazing Grace”
5	5. Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.	Meekness requires dying to self.	Meekness	2. Follow Me	“Is Your All on the Altar?”
6	6. Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.	Hunger is natural; appetite is learned.	Diligence	46. Feed My Sheep	“Break Thou the Bread of Life”
7	7. Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.	To receive mercy, we must give mercy.	Gentleness	21. Pray for Laborers	“There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”
8	8. Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.	Purity is single-mindedness.	Sincerity	11. Be Perfect	“Take Time to Be Holy”
9	9. Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.	Peacemaking is a way of life.	Wisdom	49. Make Disciples 47. Baptize My Disciples	“Rescue the Perishing”
10	10. Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness’ sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.	Every kingdom has an army.	Boldness	23. Fear Not	“Am I a Soldier of the Cross?”

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11	11. Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake.	Godliness brings verbal attacks.	Endurance	48. Receive God's Power	"My Anchor Holds"
12	12. Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.	Rejoicing requires hope.	Joyfulness	3. Rejoice	"When We See Christ"
13	13. Ye are the salt of the earth:	Others "taste" Christ through us.	Initiative	42. Take, Eat, and Drink	"Take My Life and Let It Be"
14	13b. but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men.	Ineffectiveness brings harsh consequences.	Thoroughness	42. Take, Eat, and Drink	"Must I Go, and Empty-Handed?"
15	14. Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid.	Light overcomes darkness.	Truthfulness	4. Let Your Light Shine 26. Honor Your Parents	"Let the Lower Lights Be Burning"
16	15. Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house.	Defeated Christians need rekindling.	Compassion	46. Feed My Sheep	"Jesus Bids Us Shine"
17	16. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.	Doing good to others is doing good to Christ.	Creativity	40. Love Your Neighbor	"Stepping in the Light"
18	17. Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil.	All Scripture is profitable.	Obedience	5. Honor God's Law	"How Firm a Foundation"
19	18. For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.	Testing verifies permanence.	Punctuality	41. Await My Return	"The Bible Stands"
20	19-20. Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of	Little compromises bring great consequences.	Virtue	27. Beware of Leaven	"More About Jesus"

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	heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach them, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I say unto you, That except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven.				
21	21–22. Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not kill; and whosoever shall kill shall be in danger of the judgment: But I say unto you, That whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment: and whosoever shall say to his brother, Raca, shall be in danger of the council: but whosoever shall say, Thou fool, shall be in danger of hell fire.	Anger violates love.	Tolerance	32. Forgive Offenders	“My Redeemer”
22	23–24. Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath ought against thee; Leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift.	God requires reconciliation before worship.	Responsibility	6. Be Reconciled	“At the Cross”
23	25–26. Agree with thine adversary quickly, whiles thou art in the way with him; lest at any time the adversary deliver thee to the judge, and the judge deliver thee to the officer, and thou be cast into prison. Verily I say unto thee, Thou shalt by no means come out thence, till thou hast paid the uttermost farthing.	Agreeing quickly requires wisdom and humility.	Wisdom	22. Be Wise as Serpents	“Only a Sinner”
24	27–28. Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not commit adultery: But I say unto you, That whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart.	Decisiveness requires convictions.	Decisiveness	7. Do Not Commit Adultery	“Fill All My Vision”

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25	29–30. And if thy right eye offend thee, pluck it out, and cast it from thee: for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not that thy whole body should be cast into hell. And if thy right hand offend thee, cut it off, and cast it from thee: for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not that thy whole body should be cast into hell.	Lust is a deadly trap.	Self-Control	7. Do Not Commit Adultery	“All for Jesus”
26	31–32. It hath been said, Whosoever shall put away his wife, let him give her a writing of divorcement: But I say unto you, That whosoever shall put away his wife, saving for the cause of fornication, causeth her to commit adultery: and whosoever shall marry her that is divorced committeth adultery.	Marriage vows are for life.	Loyalty	33. Honor Marriage	“Sweeter as the Years Go By”
27	33–37. Again, ye have heard that it hath been said by them of old time, Thou shalt not forswear thyself, but shalt perform unto the Lord thine oaths: But I say unto you, Swear not at all; neither by heaven; for it is God’s throne: Nor by the earth; for it is his footstool: neither by Jerusalem; for it is the city of the great King. Neither shalt thou swear by thy head, because thou canst not make one hair white or black. But let your communication be, Yea, yea; Nay, nay: for whatsoever is more than these cometh of evil.	Truthfulness requires few words.	Cautiousness	8. Keep Your Word	“I Know Whom I Have Believed”
28	38–42. Ye have heard that it hath been said, An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth: But I say unto you, That ye resist not evil: but whosoever shall smite thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also. And if any man will sue thee at the law, and take away thy coat, let	Retribution must include restoration.	Honor	9. Go the Second Mile	“Redeemed”

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	<p>him have thy cloak also. And whosoever shall compel thee to go a mile, go with him twain. Give to him that asketh thee, and from him that would borrow of thee turn not thou away.</p>				
29	<p>43–48. Ye have heard that it hath been said, Thou shalt love thy neighbour, and hate thine enemy. But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you; That ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust. For if ye love them which love you, what reward have ye? do not even the publicans the same? And if ye salute your brethren only, what do ye more than others? do not even the publicans so? Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.</p>	<p>Loving your enemies is a test of perfection.</p>	Faith	10. Love Your Enemies	“A Child of the King”
30	<p>Matthew 6 1–4. Take heed that ye do not your alms before men, to be seen of them: otherwise ye have no reward of your Father which is in heaven. Therefore when thou doest thine alms, do not sound a trumpet before thee, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may have glory of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward. But when thou doest alms, let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth: That thine alms may be in secret: and thy Father which seeth in secret himself shall reward thee openly.</p>	<p>Doing alms must glorify God.</p>	Hospitality	<p>37. Bring in the Poor 12. Practice Secret Disciplines</p>	“To the Work!”

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31	5–8. And when thou prayest, thou shalt not be as the hypocrites are: for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward. But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly. But when ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do: for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking. Be not ye therefore like unto them: for your Father knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask him.	Intimacy requires privacy.	Attentiveness	24. Hear God's Voice	"Sweet Hour of Prayer"
32	9. After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.	Our first concern must be to keep God's name holy.	Persuasiveness	35. Be a House of Prayer	"Blessed Be the Name of the Lord"
33	10. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.	When two wills are yoked, one must defer to the other.	Deference	25. Take My Yoke	"Teach Me Thy Will, O Lord"
34	11. Give us this day our daily bread.	God gives bread through work.	Contentment	31. Beware of Covetousness	"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"
35	12, 14–15. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. . . . For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you: But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.	The offended must initiate reconciliation.	Forgiveness	30. Go to Offenders	"And Can It Be That I Should Gain?"
36	13. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.	Our lusts determine God's tests.	Patience	45. Watch and Pray	"Be Thou Exalted"

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37	16–18. Moreover when ye fast, be not, as the hypocrites, of a sad countenance: for they disfigure their faces, that they may appear unto men to fast. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward. But thou, when thou fastest, anoint thine head, and wash thy face; That thou appear not unto men to fast, but unto thy Father which is in secret: and thy Father, which seeth in secret, shall reward thee openly.	Fasting brings focus and insight on a higher level.	Determination	28. Deny Yourself	“Jesus Paid It All”
38	19–21. Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.	What you treasure will capture your heart.	Thriftiness	13. Lay Up Treasures 38. Render to Caesar	“Take the World, But Give Me Jesus”
39	22–23. The light of the body is the eye: if therefore thine eye be single, thy whole body shall be full of light. But if thine eye be evil, thy whole body shall be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in thee be darkness, how great is that darkness!	Darkness is natural. Light requires energy.	Generosity	48. Receive God’s Power	“Higher Ground”
40	24. No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.	Serving reveals our first love.	Enthusiasm	39. Love the Lord	“Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus”
41	25–26. Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment? Behold the fowls of the	Future concerns hinder present achievement.	Security	43. Be Born Again	“Living for Jesus”

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	air: for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better than they?				
42	27. Which of you by taking thought can add one cubit unto his stature?	To reject design is to reject the Designer.	Flexibility	31. Beware of Covetousness	“God Will Take Care of You”
43	28–30. And why take ye thought for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin: And yet I say unto you, That even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow is cast into the oven, shall he not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith?	Faith grows out of wisdom.	Availability	34. Be a Servant	“All Your Anxiety”
44	31–34. Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.	Right priorities result in provision.	Initiative	14. Seek God’s Kingdom	“Children of the Heavenly Father”
45	Matthew 7 1–5. Judge not, that ye be not judged. For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again. And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother’s eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own	Righteous judgment requires “due process.”	Justice	15. Judge Not	“Cleanse Me”

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	eye? Or how wilt thou say to thy brother, Let me pull out the mote out of thine eye; and, behold, a beam is in thine own eye? Thou hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye.				
46	6. Give not that which is holy unto the dogs, neither cast ye your pearls before swine, lest they trample them under their feet, and turn again and rend you.	Spiritual treasures must be protected.	Discretion	16. Do Not Cast Pearls	"He Is Able to Deliver You"
47	7. Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened. Or what man is there of you, whom if his son ask bread, will he give him a stone? Or if he ask a fish, will he give him a serpent? If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?	Prayer requires effort.	Resourcefulness	17. Ask, Seek, and Knock 36. Ask in Faith	"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"
48	12. Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets.	Love fulfills the Law.	Sensitivity	18. Do Unto Others	"Make Me a Blessing"
49	13–14. Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.	Following requires trust.	Orderliness	19. Choose the Narrow Way	"Nothing But the Blood"
50	15. Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves.	Evil is most dangerous when disguised with partial truth.	Alertness	20. Beware of False Prophets	"Sound the Battle Cry"

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51	16–20. Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them.	Every Christian must be a fruit inspector.	Discernment	20. Beware of False Prophets	“Channels Only”
52	21–23. Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.	To know Christ is to do the will of the Father.	Diligence	44. Keep My Commands	“Nothing Between”
53	24–27. Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock: And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock. And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand: And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it.	Strong foundations endure storms.	Dependability	39. Love the Lord	“The Solid Rock”
54	28–29. And it came to pass, when Jesus had ended these sayings, the people were astonished at his doctrine: For he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes.	Life messages astonish others.	Love	49. Make Disciples	“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”