

UNDERSTANDING

Deuteronomy 29:2-4 (NKJV)

² Now Moses called all Israel and said to them: “You have seen all that the LORD did before your eyes in the land of Egypt, to Pharaoh and to all his servants and to all his land – ³ the great trials which your eyes have seen, the signs, and those great wonders. ⁴ Yet the LORD has not given you a heart to perceive and eyes to see and ears to hear, to this very day.

1 Chronicles 22:12 (NIV)

¹² May the LORD give you discretion and understanding when he puts you in command over Israel, so that you may keep the law of the LORD your God.

Psalms 36:9 (AMP)

⁹ I am Your servant; give me understanding (discernment and comprehension), that I may know (discern and be familiar with the character of) Your testimonies.

Proverbs 2:1-6 (NKJV)

¹ My son, if you receive my words, and treasure my commands within you, ² So that you incline your ear to wisdom, and apply your heart to understanding; ³ Yes, if you cry out for discernment, and lift up your voice for understanding, ⁴ If you seek her as silver, and search for her as for hidden treasures; ⁵ Then you will understand the fear of the LORD, and find the knowledge of God. ⁶ For the LORD gives wisdom; from His mouth come knowledge and understanding;

Isaiah 29:11-12 (KJV)

¹¹ Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried; but the wicked shall do wickedly: and none of the wicked shall understand; but the wise shall understand.

Matthew 13:14-15 (NIV)

¹⁴ In them is fulfilled the prophecy of Isaiah: “You will be ever hearing but never understanding; you will be ever seeing but never perceiving. ¹⁵ For this people’s heart has become calloused; they hardly hear with their ears, and they have closed their eyes. Otherwise they might see with their eyes, hear with their ears, understand with their hearts and turn, and I would heal them.”

Luke 10:21 (NIV)

²¹ At that time Jesus, full of joy through the Holy Spirit, said, “I praise you, Father, Lord of Heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children. Yes, Father, for this was your good pleasure.

Acts 18:24-26 (KJV)

²⁴ And a certain Jew named Apollos, born at Alexandria, and eloquent man, and might in the scriptures, came to Ephesus. ²⁵ This man was instructed in the way of the Lord; and being fervent in the spirit, he spake and taught diligently the things of the Lord, knowing only the baptism of John. ²⁶ And he began to speak boldly in the synagogue: who when Aquila and Priscilla had heard, they took him unto them, and expounded unto him the way of God more perfectly.

Acts 22:9 (NIV)

⁸ “Who are you, Lord?” I asked. “I am Jesus of Nazareth, who you are persecuting.” He replied. ⁹ My companions saw the light, but they did not understand the voice of him who was speaking to me.

1 Corinthians 2:6-16 (NKJV)

⁶ However, we speak wisdom among those who are mature, yet not the wisdom of this age, nor of the rulers of this age, who are coming to nothing. ⁷ But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, the hidden wisdom which God ordained before the ages for our glory, ⁸ which none of the rulers of this age knew; for had they known, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. ⁹ But as it is written: “*Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor have entered into the heart of man the things which God has prepared for those who love Him.*” ¹⁰ But God has revealed them to us through His Spirit. For the Spirit searches all things, yes, the deep things of God. ¹¹ For what man knows the things of a man except the spirit of the man which is in him? Even so no one knows the things of God except the Spirit of God. ¹² Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might know the things that have been freely given to us by God. ¹³ These things we also speak, not in words which man’s wisdom teaches but which the Holy Spirit teaches, comparing spiritual things with spiritual. ¹⁴ But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned. ¹⁵ But he who is spiritual judges all things, yet he himself is rightly judged by no one. ¹⁶ For “who has known the mind of the LORD that he may instruct Him?” But we have the mind of Christ.

1 Corinthians 3:1-2 (NIV)

¹ Brothers, I could not address you as spiritual but as worldly – mere infants in Christ. ² I gave you milk, not solid food, for you were not yet ready for it. Indeed, you are still not ready.

Ephesians 3:18 (NIV)

¹⁸ may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ.

Philippians 3:15 (AMP)

¹⁵ So let those [of us] who are spiritually mature and full-grown have this mind and hold these convictions; and if in any respect you have a different attitude of mind, God will make that clear to you also.

Colossians 1:9-12 (KJV)

⁹ For this cause we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding; ¹⁰ that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him, being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God; ¹¹ strengthened with all might, according to His glorious power, for all patience and longsuffering with you; ¹² giving thanks to the Father who has qualified us to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in the light.

1 Timothy 1:7 (KJV)

⁷ Desiring to be teachers of the law; understanding neither what they say, nor whereof they affirm.