

The Wisdom from Above (III)

“But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy.” (James 3:17, New King James Version).

This is the key Bible verse for our **“Come and See”** devotional today.

It is important to shed light on the foundation upon which wisdom from above is established, because this will lead to a better understanding that guarantees the security of the destiny of anyone who wishes to walk in the superior wisdom of God. This is transformational understanding!

Human beings are competitive and tend to suffer from pride and arrogance when they feel superior to another person. However, wisdom from above can overcome this tendency and the development of such wisdom is assisted by the fear of God as the Bible indicates: *“The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all who follow his precepts have good understanding. To him belongs eternal praise.”* (Psalm 111:10, New International Version). This fear of God lays the foundation for us simply to abstain from evil, arrogance and pride, both in thought and deeds. That fear of God helps us carry out God’s will at all times and in all places.

The destiny of Joseph was preserved because of his fear of the Most High. When he was tempted by his master’s wife he did not yield to the temptation offered and instead he asked: *“...how then can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God.”* (Genesis 39:9b, New King James Version). Only when we start seeing evil practices such as sexual immorality and perversion, pride and self-importance as acts of wickedness against God, can we claim any access to this higher wisdom of God.

The only Wise God (read Romans 16:27) is committed to show secrets to those of us who fear Him. All the patriarchs including Daniel, Joseph, Apostle Paul and our Lord Jesus Christ relied on this higher wisdom which was available because they were committed to doing the Fathers’ will. The Bible asserts that: *“the secret of the LORD is with those who fear Him, and He will show them His covenant.”* (Psalms 25:14, New King James Version). Only a spiritually-minded person can access the wisdom from above because a person who cannot control his or her physical desires feels that the matters of God are foolishness. Those people are spiritually deserted. God’s ways are not our ways and this applies also to His Wisdom: we all need the same mental attitude as Jesus Christ had in order to operate effectively in the realm of the divine wisdom.

Those of us who are already born again, already have the mind of Christ and can start accessing that wisdom.

Let us pray: “Father, give me wisdom to succeed in facing my trials in life,” in Jesus’ Mighty Name, Amen.

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