

THE WISDOM HANDBOOK

101 THINGS WISE PEOPLE DO

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(Proverbs 14:35)

Wise people act differently. They think differently. They speak differently. They solve problems differently and they handle things differently. Wise people do not live a common life because they do not do common things.

Wisdom is the most important thing on the earth. It is the foundational tool for making Godly decisions. When you do what wise people do you will receive a wise man's reward. A wise servant lives in the **CENTER** of God's favor. Proverbs 14:35 says, "*A Kings favor is toward a wise servant, but his wrath is against him that causeth shame*". (KJV)

WHAT DO WISE PEOPLE DO?

- Wise people **THINK** before they act. *(They understand that their thoughts run their life according to Proverbs 4:23)*
- Wise people **IGNORE** negative insults. *(They do not pour their energy into what is negative. They focus on what is positive.)*
- Wise people **HONOR** authority. *(They understand the consequences for disobeying authority. They honor authority to avoid receiving trouble.)*
- Wise people **SUBMIT** to God. *(They understand that God is supreme and no one comes before Him.)*

- Wise people **DO NOT** gossip. *(Wise people recognize that gossiping will only dilute their influence.)*
- Wise people **KEEP** their word and maintain their integrity. *(Wise people know that their integrity is the seed to producing their currency.)*
- Wise people **DO NOT** complain. *(Wise people know that God hates complaining.)*
- Wise people **ACCEPT CORRECTION** from other wise people. *(Wise people know and understand that correction is the seed for change and progression.)*
- Wise people **REJECT** what is evil. *(Wise people know that evilness is not rewarded by God.)*

- Wise people stand up for **RIGHTEOUSNESS**. *(Wise people know that God honors righteousness.)*
- Wise people **DO NOT** trust people without testing them first. *(Wise people know that people are flaky and unpredictable. They will never sow into a soil that hasn't been tested.)*
- Wise people do not waste money. They **MULTIPLY** it. *(Wise people realize that money is suppose to work for them.)*
- Wise people focus on doing **GOOD** things so they can protect and preserve their reputation. *(Wise people know the value of their reputation. They realize the way people see them will determine how they will treat them.)*
- Wise people **PRACTICE HUMILITY**. *(Wise people have a desire to be exalted by God. They practice humility so God will bless them. Matthew 23:12)*

- Wise people **CONTROL** their tempers. *(Wise people know that calming words will create peace and understanding.)*
- Wise people are not bias. They are **FAIR**. *(Wise people honor God by being fair to other people.)*
- Wise people provide and **TAKE CARE** of their family. *(Wise people know the worst thing a person can do is to abandon their own family. God said that a person who abandons their family is worst than an unbeliever. 1st Timothy 5:8)*
- Wise people trust in the Lord and **NOT** in themselves. *(Wise people will never put their trust in a flawed vessel knowing that it will fail when they can trust a flawless God who can't fail.)*

- Wise people **LEND** to the poor because they understand it is **LOAN** unto God. *(Wise people understand that lending to the poor inspires God to be generous to them.)*
- Wise people **ANTICIPATE** what is coming ahead so they can **PREPARE** for it. *(Wise people recognize the only way to avoid being blind sided is by having the vision to see what is coming ahead.)*
- Wise people **LEARN** from their mistakes. *(Wise people learn how to turn their tragedy into triumph.)*
- Wise people **HEED** to warnings. *(Wise people know that heeding to a warning is the only way to avoid destruction.)*

- Wise people **FINISH** what they started because there is **NO** reward for incompleteness. *(Wise people know how to get results. They know that finishing what they started will always generate a reward.)*
- Wise people seek after **CLARITY** and **UNDERSTANDING** in every situation. *(Wise people know that getting understanding and clarity will increase their level of intelligence.)*
- Wise people put God **FIRST**. *(Wise people put God first because they recognize His value.)*
- Wise people **FEAR** the Lord. *(Wise people fear the Lord because they know it is the beginning of knowledge.)*

- Wise people **WATCH** what they say because they understand that life and death is in the power of the tongue. *(Wise people value their words because words changes situations.)*
- Wise people **DO NOT** make quick decisions. They make **CALCULATED** decisions. *(Wise people understand this vital principle, decisions decide seasons!)*
- Wise people do not pursue their dream. They **PURSUE THEIR PURPOSE**. *(Wise people know the difference between a dream and a purpose. Wise people chase the plan of God, not their own ideas.)*
- Wise people **DO NOT** fight every enemy the same way. They are **STRATEGIST**. *(Wise people have been taught to look at people differently. They focus on the position that a person holds to determine the kind of attack that will be launched against them first. For example, they do not attack people in authority. They endure them.)*

- Wise people pay their bills on time to **PROTECT** their credibility. *(Wise people know the value and rewards for having a good name.)*
- Wise people do not walk into trouble. They **AVOID** it. *(Wise people are smart enough to know that it is better to avoid trouble than to face it. Avoiding trouble reduces stress, worry and pain.)*
- Wise people **SOLVE** problems. They **DO NOT** magnify them. *(Wise people solve problems so they can increase their value on the earth.)*
- Wise people **DO NOT** wait on men. They wait on God. *(God commands us to wait on Him, not men.)*
- Wise people **PLAN FOR THE WORSE** yet, **EXPECT THE BEST**. *(Wise people believe in being prepared.)*

- Wise people are **PATIENT**. They would rather wait for what is great than to settle for what is good. *(Wise people never settle for less when they know greater is available.)*
- Wise people **NEVER** settle for less because they **KNOW** better is always available. *(Wise people can discern what other people are blind to.)*
- Wise people **NEVER GIVE UP**. *(Wise people understand that giving up will force them to start over again. They do not focus on starting over, they focus on moving forward.)*
- Wise people **DO NOT** rely on their intellect to lead them. They rely on the **HOLY SPIRIT** to lead them. *(Wise people understand that their intellect can be wrong. However, the Holy Spirit is never wrong.)*

- Wise people do not talk about what they are going to do. They **JUST DO IT**.
(Wise people know that action will persuade people more than talking.)
- Wise people live in the present. However, they **PLAN FOR THE FUTURE**.
(Wise people know that if they prepare today they can reap the fruits tomorrow.)
- Wise people **LISTEN TO LEARN**. They do not listen to respond. *(They understand the purpose of listening which is why they are effective communicators.)*
- Wise people do not entertain foolishness. They **IGNORE IT**. *(Wise people know that if they entertain foolishness they will be polluted by it.)*
- Wise people understand their limitations. This **PREVENTS** them from being stressed out. *(Wise people are smart enough to realize how much they can carry without feeling overwhelmed.)*

- Wise people **HONOR** their mother and father so they can live long on the earth. *(Wise people honor their mom and dad because they know what the consequences are for disrespecting them.)*
- Wise people **DO NOT** betray the people that has made a way for them. *(Wise people do not abuse people's trust. They understand the value of it.)*
- Wise people **DO NOT** move ahead of God. They move **BEHIND** Him, allowing Him to lead them. *(Wise people know where they belong at all times. They never overstep their parameters.)*
- Wise people do not wait for things to happen. They **MAKE THINGS HAPPEN**. *(People who wait for things to happen do not understand the importance of time.)*

- Wise people are **NOT** reactive. They are **PROACTIVE**. *(Wise people do not wait for things to happen. They make things happen.)*
- Wise people do not plan to do evil. They **PLAN TO DO GOOD**. *(Wise people know that God punishes the people who plan evil.)*
- Wise people do not help people who **DO NOT WANT TO BE HELPED**. *(Wise people know that Jesus only served the people who were hungry for righteousness.)*
- Wise people do not chase money. They **CHASE GOD'S FAVOR**. *(Wise people know that favor attracts money. However, money attracts leeches.)*
- Wise people **STUDY THE BIBLE** so they can know how to live on the earth. *(Wise people use the Bible as a source for living. They know the true value of the Bible.)*

- Wise people believe that Jesus is the **SON** of God. *(Wise people know who Jesus is and what position He holds in the Kingdom of God.)*
- Wise people make things **SIMPLE** so life can be **EASIER**. *(Wise people understand that simplicity produces happiness.)*
- Wise people establish **HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS** because the Bible says two are better than one. *(Wise people know that the key to progressing in life is determined by the quality of their relationships.)*
- Wise people **SERVE GOD** but **HELP PEOPLE!** *(Wise people know the difference between who they should serve and who they should help.)*
- Wise people **THINK** about death so they can **PREPARE** for it. *(Wise people prepare for death because they know they cannot escape it.)*

- Wise people do not tell their secrets to people who **TALK TOO MUCH**. *(Wise people know that people who talk too much cannot be trusted.)*
- Wise people **DO NOT** entertain ungodly thoughts. *(Wise people know the value of a thought. They know that one thought can change their life.)*
- Wise people do not doubt God. They **ASK** Him questions. *(Wise people know that asking God questions is not the same as doubting Him. They ask God questions so they can learn from Him.)*
- Wise people will **NOT INTENTIONALLY** make an authority figure angry. They know that an authority figure has the power and permission to hurt them. *(Wise people honor authority so they can avoid the consequences of dishonoring authority.)*

- Wise people will **EMBRACE CHANGE**. *(Wise people understand that change is the seed for progress and acceleration.)*
- Wise people do not walk into temptation. They **AVOID** temptation. *(Wise people do not plan to fall. They plan to stand by avoiding temptation.)*
- Wise people will **NOT** speak words that will make you smile. They will speak words that will make you **WHOLE**. *(Wise people are aware of the gift of healing that rest on their lips.)*
- Wise people will work hard because they will be **REWARDED** with leadership and wealth. (Proverbs 12:24) *(Wise people will avoid being poor because they know it is not God's will.)*
- Wise people **DO NOT** believe rumors. They watch to see if the rumors are true. *(Wise people listen to facts, however they will believe the truth.)*

- Wise people are **QUICK TO LISTEN** yet, slow to speak. *(Wise people know that they will learn more by listening than talking.)*
- Wise people will **NEVER** make a decision without understanding all of the details. *(Wise people will never make decisions haphazardly.)*
- Wise people **FOCUS** on doing the **RIGHT** thing **CONSISTENTLY**. *(Wise people know that being righteous will please the Lord.)*
- Wise people **STUDY** for the purpose of progression. However, they **LEARN** for the purpose of success. *(Wise people are prosperous because they know the difference between the purpose of studying and learning.)*

- Wise people suffer for **CHRIST**. They **DO NOT** suffer for making foolish decisions. *(Wise people are not against suffering. They are against suffering for the wrong reason.)*
- Wise people value what is right **MORE** than what is profitable. *(Wise people will always put God over money. Proverbs 16:8)*
- Wise people do not chase after money. They chase after Wisdom. *(Wise people are built on principles, not worthless pleasures.)*
- Wise people do not say what they feel. They say what is **RIGHT**. *(Wise people do not allow their feelings to lead them. They are led by their principles.)*
- Wise people focus on **COMPLETION**. *(Wise people understand that there is no reward for incompleteness.)*

- Wise people **EMPOWER THEMSELVES BEFORE** they empower other people. *(Wise people do not put the cart before the horse.)*
- Wise people **DO NOT** make promises they cannot keep. *(Wise people protect their integrity because their integrity protects their reputation.)*
- Wise people do what is **DIFFERENT** so they will not end up being common. *(Wise people pursue excellence so they will not become mediocre.)*
- Wise people learn something new on a **DAILY** basis. *(Wise people remind themselves of how much they do not know, which is why they push themselves to learn so much more.)*
- Wise people **NEVER COMPLAIN** about what is in their control to change because they know they have the power to change it. *(Wise people know how powerful they are.)*

- Wise people do not empower their enemies. They **ENTRAP** them. *(Wise people do not entertain their enemies.)*
- Wise people will **NEVER** spend more money on clothes than their mind. *(Wise people invest in their mind above everything else.)*
- Wise people **PURSUE MENTORSHIP** so they can **AVOID** the hardship of failing experiences. *(Wise people know that the fastest way to success is through the vehicle of mentorship.)*
- Wise people do not **LIE**. *(Wise people understand the value of their integrity.)*
- Wise people do not follow social trends. They **CREATE** them. *(Wise people do not follow the crowd, they attract a crowd.)*

- Wise people put God **FIRST** and put themselves **SECOND**. *(Wise people are smart enough to know that God is the head of their life.)*
- Wise people stay ahead of everyone else by **ANTICIPATING** the next person's move. *(Wise people are successful because they never move with the crowd. They move ahead of the crowd.)*
- Wise people **DO NOT** settle for **MEDIOCRITY**. They only **PURSUE EXCELLENCE**. *(Wise people receive the best because they pursue excellence.)*

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