

Books of Wisdom

- Job – God’s Kind Discipline and Man’s Suffering
- Psalms – Praise and Worship
- Proverbs – Wisdom in Daily Life
- Ecclesiastes – Fear God and Keep His Commandments
- Song of Songs – God’s Love in Christ Jesus

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(Oswald Chambers)

- Job – How to suffer
- Psalms – How to Pray
- Proverbs – How to conduct
- Ecclesiastes – How to enjoy (ch.12)
- Song of Songs – How to love

Book of Job

- God's discipline is legal and is kind
- God's thoughts toward us are thoughts of peace (Jeremiah 29:11) and precious (Psalms 139:17)
- Suffering is a spiritual education to help us grow into maturity
- Finally, God spoke and Job saw God

Psalms

- Singing Out God's Purpose (Psalm 1 to 42)
- Singing Out God's Work, God's Salvation (Psalm 42 to 72)
- Singing Out God's Way (Psalm 73 to 89)
- Singing Out God's Move (Psalm 90 to 106)
- Singing Out God's Law, God's Word. (Psalm 107 to 150)

Proverbs

- Purpose: To know wisdom and instruction (1:2-7)
- The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom (9:10)
 - Fear of the Lord is the major part of Wisdom (Hebrew text)
 - The fear here is a kind of love. Fear that we fail to please our Love One.
- The calling of the Wisdom (ch.1 – ch.9)
 - Wisdom is a person. Wisdom is Christ. (Ch.8)
- The Building Up of the Wisdom (ch.10 – ch.24)
 - Wisdom has built her house; she has hewn out its seven pillars (9:1)
- The Strengthening of the Wisdom (ch.25 – ch.31)

The Building Up of Christians' Characters

– The Seven Pillars

- Righteousness vs. Wickedness
- Diligence vs. Laziness
- Love vs. Hate
- Receiving Discipline vs. Forsaking Instruction
- Humble vs. Proud
- Merciful vs. Cruel
- Truth vs. Lie

Ecclesiastes

- Greek word "ecclesia" means "assembly" or "congregation."
- The beginning: Vanity of Vanities, All is Vanity (1:2)
- The conclusion: Fear God and keep His Commandments (12:13) - Seek His Kingdom and Righteousness.
- The Description of Vanity (ch.1 to ch.7)
- The Conquering of Vanity (ch.8 – ch.12)

Song of Songs

- The loving relationship between Christ and His saints
- The 1st love declaration – the beginning of love
 - “My lover is mine and I am His” (2:16)
- The 2nd love declaration – the increasing of love
 - “I am my lover’s and my love is mine” (6:3)
- The 3rd love declaration – the maturity of love
 - “I belong to my lover, and His desire is for me” (7:10)
 - “Set me as a seal upon thine heart, as a seal upon thine arm: for love is strong as death” (8:6)
 - “Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it” (8:7)