

# All about Jesus

## Small group questions

*Wisdom for living - Proverbs, Job, and Wisdom Literatures*

Leaders - if the questions make no sense or you don't know the answer - please contact [bishop@bathurstanglican.org.au](mailto:bishop@bathurstanglican.org.au)

### What was the message about?

- How would you sum up Mark's message - what was the main point?
- Were there any aspects that seemed unclear or prompted questions?

### Grasping the foundation:

1. How is "wisdom" commonly understood in our culture? How is that different or similar to biblical wisdom?
2. Discuss the concept of "fearing the Lord". What is meant by it?
3. Why is it considered the *beginning* of wisdom?
4. Do you Christians (generally speaking) fear the Lord today?
5. How do we understand 'fearing' alongside his grace?
6. Reflecting on the story of Job, why do you think God questioned him in the manner Mark outlined? What was the result for Job?

### Unpacking Wisdom Literature:

7. How does the wisdom literature help us navigate the complexities of life, especially when faced with suffering or moral dilemmas?
8. Read Ecclesiastes 3:1-14 and reflect on how this speaks into our world and circumstances.
9. Look also at Proverbs 3:5-6 and reflect on its practical wisdom.

### Finding Jesus in Wisdom:

10. Read 1 Corinthians 1:18-25 and discuss the wisdom and foolishness of the cross.
11. Reflect on your personal journey: Can you recount moments where you've sought worldly wisdom over godly wisdom? How has the 'fear of the Lord' changed or directed your decisions?
12. In what ways can we cultivate a healthy "fear of the Lord" and a pursuit of His wisdom in our daily lives, especially in areas we find challenging?

*End with a time of prayer, asking God for a deeper understanding of His wisdom, and for the grace to walk in the fear of the Lord. Pray for discernment in decisions, and for strength to choose His wisdom over the world's.*