

# SEEKING JESUS TOGETHER

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#### A QUIET TIME TOOL FOR WBC

Welcome to the Quiet Time Tool (QTT) for Werribee Baptist Church! As a faith community, we believe it's important to spend time with Jesus and each other as we learn and grow together. That's why our mission statement is "Striving to be a Loving Community Seeking, Serving, and Sharing Jesus!" One of the ways we believe this happens is by spending time reading the Bible. The QTT helps us do that as a collective, allowing God to speak to us both individually and as a unified group.

If you are new to the QTT, there are some basic things you should know:

- 1) We've kept it simple! What that means is while the passages and focus will change month to month, the format remains the same.
- 2) We try to keep the passages relatively short when we can, followed by two reflective questions. The first question, "What is the writer saying?" is designed to help you process a key summary or thought from the verses in your own words. The second question, "How can I apply this to my life?" is designed to help you think through a takeaway truth, principle, or observation that is meaningful for your life.
- 3) We've included a section for "*Prayer*". It's up to you how you use this—you may want to write down specific things you are praying for, answers to prayer, or even a prayer of application from the day's reading.

May the Lord bless you as you seek to know Him more!

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Have you ever stopped to ponder, "What is wisdom?" It is worth noting that wisdom and knowledge are NOT the same thing and sometimes our world gets these confused. One key difference is that knowledge can "puff us up" making us feel smart but lose sight of our need for God. Psalm 14:1 warns of this saying, "The fool has said in his heart, 'There is no God.'" Rather than puffing ourselves up, we are urged to edify, or build up, others. This is the goal of love, and we are told that God is both love AND the source of all wisdom. James tells us that if we lack wisdom, we can ask God for it and goes on to describe this wisdom as "pure, peace loving, gentle at all times, willing to submit to others, merciful, impartial and sincerely produces good." (see James 1:5 and 3:17)

As we begin a new preaching series this month focused on the ingredients needed for healthy relationships, we thought it would be good to add a pinch of wisdom into the mix. The book of Proverbs is full of it, thanks to the writings of King Solomon compiled in 10th Century B.C. My prayer is that we, as a fellowship of believers, will "grow in wisdom and in stature and in favour with God and all the people," (Luke 2:52)—just like Jesus!

#### Did you know?

Each Monday, Wednesday & Friday, you can catch a <60 second devotional thought from that day's reading on Instagram or Facebook to help keep you going as we Seek Jesus Together!

### **READING PLAN**

Tuesday	1	October	Proverbs 1:1-7	
Wednesday	2	October	Proverbs 1:8-19	
Thursday	3	October	Proverbs 1:20-33	
Friday	4	October	Proverbs 2:1-11	
Saturday	5	October	Proverbs 2:12-22	
Sunday	6	October	Proverbs 3:1-8	
Monday	7	October	Proverbs 3:9-12	
Tuesday	8	October	Proverbs 3:13-18	
Wednesday	9	October	Proverbs 3:19-26	
Thursday	10	October	Proverbs 3:27-35	
Friday	11	October	Proverbs 4:1-9	
Saturday	12	October	Proverbs 4:10-19	
Sunday	13	October	Proverbs 4:20-27	
Monday	14	October	Proverbs 5:1-14	
Tuesday	<b>1</b> 5	October	Proverbs 5:15-20	
Wednesday	16	October	Proverbs 5:21-23	
Thursday	17	October	Proverbs 6:1-11	
Friday	18	October	<b>Proverbs 6:12-19</b>	
Saturday	19	October	Proverbs 6:20-29	
Sunday	20	October	Proverbs 6:30-35	
Monday	21	October	Proverbs 7:1-5	
Tuesday	22	October	Proverbs 7:6-20	
Wednesday	23	October	<b>Proverbs 7:21-27</b>	
Thursday	24	October	Proverbs 8:1-11	
Friday	25	October	Proverbs 8:12-21	
Saturday	26	October	Proverbs 8:22-31	
Sunday	27	October	Proverbs 8:32-36	
Monday	28	October	Proverbs 9:1-6	
Tuesday	29	October	Proverbs 9:7-10	
Wednesday	30	October	<b>Proverbs 9:11-12</b>	
Thursday	31	October	Proverbs 9:13-18	

### I October - Proverbs I:I-7

What is the writer saying?	PRAYER
	Praise God for faith decisions made on Big Step Sunday! Pray for growth in follow-up
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How can I apply this to my life?	

#### 2 October - Proverbs 1:8-19

What is the writer saying?	PRAYER
	Pray for our missionaries
	Phil & Carol Short, as they
	prepare to return to
	West Africa
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How can I apply this to my life?	

### 3 October - Proverbs 1:20-33

What is the writer saying?	PRAYER
	Pray for wisdom and sensitivity to the Holy Spirit
	as the Pastoral Team meets and plans.
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How can I apply this to my life?	

# 4 October - Proverbs 2:1-11

PRAYER
Pray for Youth Group leaders to connect well with youth and grow in Jesus together.  = = = = =

# 5 October - Proverbs 2:12-22

What is the writer saying?	PRAYER
	Pray for families who are getting kids ready to go back to school on Monday.
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How can I apply this to my life?	

# 6 October - Proverbs 3:1-8

What is the writer saying?	PRAYER
	Pray for Ps Deanna preaching
	at Bacchus Marsh today and
	for the start of Spring Courses.
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How can I apply this to my life?	

# 7 October - Proverbs 3:9-12

What is the writer saying?	PRAYER
	Pray for missionary Jacqui Croxon and her team's outreach into local schools in Thailand.
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How can I apply this to my life?	

# 8 October - Proverbs 3:13-18

What is the writer saying?	PRAYER
	Pray for Ps Stan and the
	leadership as they work to
	finalise the budget for 2025.
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How can I apply this to my life?	
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### 9 October - Proverbs 3:19-26

What is the writer saying?	PRAYER
	Join us online for Zoom prayer meeting tonight if you are able at 7:30pm
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How can I apply this to my life?	

#### 10 October - Proverbs 3:27-35

What is the writer saying?	PRAYER
	Pray for those who volunteer at and attend the EFC meal to be fed physically and spiritually.
How can I apply this to my life?	

### 11 October - Proverbs 4:1-9

What is the writer saying?	PRAYER
	Pray for parents of teens to have patience and wisdom as they guide their emerging adults.
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How can I apply this to my life?	

# 12 October - Proverbs 4:10-19

What is the writer saying?	PRAYER
	Pray for faithfulness and wisdom for COACH mentors and for new mentors to
	step up.
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How can I apply this to my life?	

### 13 October - Proverbs 4:20-27

What is the writer saying?	PRAYER
	Pray for those getting baptised today to grow in faith as they take this step of obedience.
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How can I apply this to my life?	

### 14 October - Proverbs 5:1-14

What is the writer saying?	PRAYER
	Pray for our Church Council to seek God as they meet together tonight.
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How can I apply this to my life?	

### 15 October - Proverbs 5:15-20

What is the writer saying?	PRAYER
	Pray for staff travelling to Geelong today for the Global Leadership Summit
	(GLS) training.
How can I apply this to my life?	

# 16 October - Proverbs 5:21-23

What is the writer saying?	PRAYER
	Pray for healing and strength for those battling illnesses and those who provide care.
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How can I apply this to my life?	

### 17 October - Proverbs 6:1-11

What is the writer saying?	PRAYER
	Pray for Kids' Ministry volunteers as they get ready to "Help Little Kids Grow BIG Faith" on Sunday.
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How can I apply this to my life?	

# 18 October - Proverbs 6:12-19

What is the writer saying?	PRAYER
	Pray for our Single adults of all ages to feel loved and connected in our
	faith community.
How can I apply this to my life?	====

### 19 October - Proverbs 6:20-29

What is the writer saying?	PRAYER
	Pray for those who come to the Newcomers event to connect well into the church.
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How can I apply this to my life?	

#### 20 October - Proverbs 6:30-35

What is the writer saying?	PRAYER
	Pray for visitors who are looking for a new
	church to feel warmly
	welcomed today.
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How can I apply this to my life?	

### 21 October - Proverbs 7:1-5

What is the writer saying?	PRAYER
	Pray God will open hearts and minds of those taking part in the Alpha course so they find Jesus.
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How can I apply this to my life?	

### 22 October - Proverbs 7:6-20

What is the writer saying?	PRAYER
	Pray for God to provide the right job for those seeking employment as they wait on Him.  =====
How can I apply this to my life?	

### 23 October - Proverbs 7:21-27

What is the writer saying?	PRAYER
	Pray for our Oasis Chapel group to keep growing as they meet together to worship today.
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How can I apply this to my life?	

#### 24 October - Proverbs 8:1-11

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What is the writer saying?	PRAYER
	Pray for our mission partners, Peter and Gennie, in South Asia, as they learn language and culture to minister most effectively.
How can I apply this to my life?	

### 25 October - Proverbs 8:12-21

What is the writer saying?	PRAYER
	Pray for all marriages to be kept strong with Christ at the centre.
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How can I apply this to my life?	

# 26 October - Proverbs 8:22-31

What is the writer saying?	PRAYER
	Pray for us to welcome those with additional needs in practical, helpful and inclusive ways.
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How can I apply this to my life?	

### 27 October - Proverbs 8:32-36

What is the writer saying?	PRAYER
	Pray for our worship and tech teams as they
	help provide a great worship
	experience today.
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How can I apply this to my life?	

# 28 October - Proverbs 9:1-6

What is the writer saying?	PRAYER
	Pray for us to be a "Loving Community who seeks, shares and serves
	Jesus" always. = = = = =
How can I apply this to my life?	

### 29 October - Proverbs 9:7-10

What is the writer saying?	PRAYER
	Pray for all Kids Hope mentors as they encourage kids at Wyndham Park Primary.
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How can I apply this to my life?	

# 30 October - Proverbs 9:11-12

What is the writer saying?	PRAYER
	Pray for Lisa, our mission partner in South Asia, to have wisdom as she fulfills her research visa.
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How can I apply this to my life?	

# 31 October - Proverbs 9:13-18

What is the writer saying?	PRAYER
	Pray for volunteers and preparations to come together for Christmas outreach events.
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How can I apply this to my life?	