# Wise Up

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<td>• The religion of humanism is man's view of the world.</td>
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<td>• Wisdom is a person (Jesus Christ).</td>
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<td>• A wise person follows the principles of the Word of God.</td>
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<td>Differences between wisdom and foolishness</td>
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<td>• Whether we are wise or not is not a matter of age but rather of knowing and fearing God.</td>
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<td>• We need to evaluate our own lives from time to time to recognize any foolish ways in us.</td>
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<td>Following the examples of wise men</td>
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<td>• A wise person knows how to handle conflicts.</td>
<td>• Studying conflict resolution in Scripture</td>
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<td>• We need to learn to place priorities on different aspects of our lives.</td>
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<td>Wisdom at home</td>
<td>• Being a part of a family enables our lives to run smoothly.</td>
<td>• Searching and discussing scriptural truth</td>
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<td>• Everyone in a family has responsibilities that need to be fulfilled to allow the family to function smoothly.</td>
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<td>• A young person's right attitude is a key ingredient to a successful family.</td>
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<td>Honoring our parents</td>
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<td>• Summarizing key ideas</td>
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<td>• We will have definite consequences in our lives if we dishonor our parents.</td>
<td>• Defining specific attitudes</td>
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<td>• God holds our parents responsible for their actions also.</td>
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<td>• Our parents are the primary instructors in our lives.</td>
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<td>Understanding freedom and responsibility</td>
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<td>• We need to take responsibility for all of our actions.</td>
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<td>• We need to use our freedom wisely so that others will trust us.</td>
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<td>• We need to base our lives on the principles God teaches us.</td>
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<td>Understanding how attitudes affect actions</td>
<td>• Our outward actions begin with our inner attitudes.</td>
<td>• Taking notes from a variety of Scriptures</td>
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<td>• We need to learn to control negative attitudes toward others.</td>
<td>• Using notes to define Bible truths</td>
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<td>• Jesus always responded properly because His inner attitudes were filled with love.</td>
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<td>• God promises blessing for obedience.</td>
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<td>Having right attitudes about myself</td>
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<td>Discerning good and bad friendships</td>
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<td>• Analyzing Scripture</td>
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<td>• A true friend will want only what is best for us.</td>
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<td>• We need to stay away from those who would encourage us to do wrong.</td>
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<td>• We have a need to be accepted but shouldn’t do wrong things just be accepted by others.</td>
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<td>Choosing right friendships</td>
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| 11     | Knowing how to keep good friends | • There are different levels and expectations of friendships.  
• We can see an example of commitment in Jonathan and David’s friendship.  
• By studying Proverbs, we can learn specifically how to become a good friend. | • Developing a chart  
• Sharing ideas and concepts  
• Working in a group | • Evaluating my ability to be a good friend  
• Learning to encourage others  
• Taking a self-evaluation quiz: Am I a good friend? |
| 12     | Loving all people                | • If we love God, we will love all others.  
• There is no respect of persons with God.  
• By loving others, we can help them come to know Jesus as Savior and Lord. | • Writing principles based on Scripture  
• Studying and analyzing parables | • Recognizing wrong attitudes toward others  
• Serving others |
| 13     | Wisdom in dealing with the flesh | • God is very specific about those things that He considers to be works of the flesh.  
• There are definite consequences to living for the flesh. | • Using a dictionary  
• Discerning characteristics of various types of people  
• Interviewing adult Christians | • Recognizing fleshly attitudes |
| 14     | Recognizing sins of the flesh    | • We have a tendency to sin that is the result of Adam’s fall.  
• There will be definite consequences in our lives if we continue in our sin.  
• We need to learn to defend our standards on biblical principles. | • Completing a chart  
• Defending biblical standards | • Analyzing personal problems |
| 15     | Learning to walk in the Spirit   | • The fruit of the Spirit is the character of God.  
• The flesh fights against the Spirit to keep us from having success.  
• God desires to conform us to the image of His Son, Jesus. | • Writing definitions and synonyms  
• Explaining concepts | • Understanding inner reactions  
• Developing the fruit of the Spirit |
| 16     | What is character?               | • God wants to build strong Christian character into our lives.  
• God has many promises for those who develop godly character. | • Developing a chart  
• Supporting a concept from Scripture | • Learning to respond properly |
| 17     | Walking in love and gentleness   | • To love one another is one of the greatest commandments of God.  
• God wants us to learn to love our neighbors, the poor, and even our enemies.  
• We need to learn to forgive others so that we can learn to love them. | • Giving examples to support a concept  
• Completing a chart | • Learning to forgive  
• Taking a self-evaluation quiz: Am I loving and kind to others? |
| 18     | Walking in integrity             | • Integrity is the inner core of our character.  
• Others should know that we can always be trusted to tell the truth.  
• The principle of sowing and reaping is continually at work in our lives. | • Stating principles based on Scripture  
• Drawing conclusions  
• Evaluating advertisements  
• Interpreting Scripture | • Developing right motives |
| 19     | Developing meekness and humility | • Meekness consists of inner strength; it does not mean weakness.  
• Pride and arrogance will end in destruction; while meekness will be honored by God.  
• A meek person is able to suffer injustice because he knows that God will put all things right. | • Seeing consequences  
• Writing compositions  
• Developing a play | • Developing humility  
• Overcoming pride |
| 20     | Hard work and faithfulness reap rewards | • God will help us to set goals within His will for us.  
• Faithfulness and hard work will help us achieve our goals.  
• We will have to learn to overcome obstacles to achieve our goals. | • Analyzing the life of Johann Gutenberg  
• Writing a news story | • Setting goals  
• Discerning how to handle life situations |
| 21     | Working on self-control          | • God wants us to have control over both our actions and our emotions.  
• It is the Holy Spirit within us who can help us have the control we need.  
• We need to live a disciplined life. | • Setting goals for a disciplined life  
• Taking notes  
• Using a concordance | • Developing self-control |
| 22     | Developing courage               | • The fear of the Lord is a trusting respect of the Lord.  
• We never have to fear what man can do to us.  
• Courage is a result of God’s power in our lives. | • Developing group presentations  
• Writing a composition | • Having courage to choose to do the right thing |
| 23     | Walking in submission and obedience | • Submission and obedience are things we do for our own good—not just out of duty to someone else.  
• Our attitude is as important in obedience as our actions.  
• When we are disobedient to authority, we are disobedient to God as well. | • Using a concordance  
• Using a Bible character to illustrate a concept  
• Writing acrostics | • Learning submission  
• Taking a self-evaluation quiz: Submission |
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• There are definite areas of our lives that must be right in order for us to know God’s will.  
• To know God’s will, we must be willing to be totally submissive to Him.  
• Knowing God’s will is first of all seeking and knowing God Himself. | • Giving examples to illustrate scriptural truth  
• Learning cooperatively | • Keeping a clear conscience |
| 25     | Staying in God’s will | • There is a pattern of failure if we stray from God.  
• God’s will begins with what is happening to us right now and extends into every aspect of our future.  
• Satan will try to blind us so we cannot find God’s will. | • Comparing the lives of Abraham and Lot  
• Writing biblical principles | • Understanding the purpose of obedience  
• Making decisions based on Scripture |
| 26     | Learning how to use money | • God entrusts us with money, and He expects us to spend it wisely.  
• What we do with our money tells us something about our values. | • Writing biblical principles  
• Applying principles to life situations  
• Learning cooperatively | • Developing a grateful attitude  
• Accepting financial responsibility |
| 27     | Having right thoughts | • God is pure and unselfish in His thought life. His thoughts are beyond our understanding.  
• God wants us to guard what we put into our minds.  
• God has specific principles for what we should think about.  
• We can control what we put into our minds. | • Applying biblical principles to life situations  
• Discerning thought processes | • Understanding the importance of right thoughts |
| 28     | Making right decisions | • The key decision of life is whether or not we have decided to follow God completely.  
• We must take decisive steps to stay away from evil.  
• We must take decisive steps to stand for right.  
• Learning to make right decisions is a sign of maturity. | • Analyzing the biography of Martin Luther  
• Writing research reports | • Deciding to stand for or against something |
| 29     | Keeping our promises | • Jesus made promises to us that He will never break.  
• When we make a vow before the Lord, we must not break our word.  
• We need to learn to seek wise counsel when we must make an important decision.  
• My personal convictions need to be based on God’s Word. | • Analyzing Scripture  
• Discerning wise counsel | • Understanding the importance of keeping a vow  
• Understanding the need for wise counsel |
| 30     | Controlling the tongue | • We cannot tame our tongues without the control of the Holy Spirit.  
• The tongue can be used both for good and evil.  
• We need to learn how to talk to others as well as learn to become a good listener. | • Making comparisons  
• Analyzing Scripture for specific truths  
• Making notes for a discussion | • Developing self-control over what we say |
| 31     | What we say affects others | • The things we say can affect others for good or bad.  
• We do not always have to say what we think. | • Finding descriptive words and key ideas from Scripture  
• Writing a composition | • Analyzing our unspoken attitudes |
| 32     | Having good success | • Success for the Christian begins on the inside rather than relying on external pleasures.  
• God gives specific guidelines on how to prosper as a Christian.  
• Contentment and joy are given by the Holy Spirit and bring us true satisfaction. | • Analyzing the life of William Tyndale  
• Making evaluations and discussing opinions | • Learning ideas and attitudes necessary for success |
| 33     | Desiring good success | • To prosper and have success, we need to have faith that God will fulfill what He has promised to do for us.  
• We need to learn principles of success from the examples of others.  
• We need to find a balance between pressing forward to accomplish our goals and being content in all things. | • Comparing two sets of Scriptures  
• Analyzing Scripture for specific truths  
• Analyzing why various Bible characters were or were not successful  
• Writing a definition | • Understanding the balance between hard work and being content  
• Learning from biblical characters |
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• All of the lessons we have learned during the year are a part of the training necessary to become a good leader.  
• The key leaders in our lives right now are our parents. | • Discerning attitudes of Bible characters  
• Analyzing the life of John Wycliffe  
• Writing a composition  
• Presenting dramas | • Understanding the need for humility and courage  
• Recognizing leadership qualities  
• Taking a self-evaluation quiz: Loyalty |
| 35     | Spending time with God | • It is important for us to continue to build our relationship with God when we are out of school for the summer.  
• Spending time with God helps us build our relationship with Him. | • Comparing Scriptures  
• Stating Bible concepts in your own words | • Developing a personal relationship with God |