

Proverbs 3:5-6

THE PATH OF FREEDOM

2011-12 Bonus Verse

HEAD

Memorize what it says.

“Trust in the Lord with all your heart
and lean not on your own understanding;
in all your ways acknowledge him,
and he will make your paths straight.”

Proverbs 3:5-6 (NIV84)

HEART

Understand what it means.

God has a path for us that leads us straight to Himself. It starts with trust and continues with trust each step of the way. Leaning on ourselves alone is a form of bondage that will always enslave us. But acknowledging Him constantly brings us back to His path and ultimately sets us free.

See what David said about God’s path and freedom – Psalm 119:32&45.

See what John, Paul and Peter said about freedom – John 8:32; Rom. 8:2; 1Pet. 2:16.

What did James mean by “the law of liberty” – James 1:25?

HANDS

Put it into action.

Some paths lead us to our destination, and some do not. Wherever you are, on or off the right path, God always has a next step for you to take, even if it is to stop, turn around, and go in the other direction. That next step is the most important step for you to follow God’s path. Trusting in Him is the way to take that step.

TRUST GOD IN EVERYTHING.

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Student Study Questions
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- Why is trust so important? Is it possible to live without trust?
- How do we trust in the Lord? Should we always trust Him?
- Do we have to trust people? Should we always trust them?
- Why is trusting people different from trusting God?
- What does it mean to trust Him with all your heart?
- Why does God tell us not to lean on our own understanding?
- Is our understanding important when we exercise trust?
- What does it mean to acknowledge something or someone?
- How do we acknowledge God in all our ways?
- What is the difference between a straight path and one that is crooked (Proverbs 11:5 and Isaiah 59:8)?
- Who has a tendency to wander off the path (Isaiah 53:6)?
- What is the relationship between following God's path and a heart that is free (Psalm 119:32 & 45)?
- What did John, Paul and Peter say about freedom (John 8:32; Rom. 8:2; 1Pet. 2:16)?
- What did James say about God's law, freedom and blessing (James 1:25)?