

“DO YOU WANT THE ANSWERS?”

EVERYONE NEEDS ANSWERS!

- We have decisions to make, problems to solve, and conflicts to resolve.
- We need direction, protection, and correction.
- We draw the answers to our needs from various sources.
 - Ourselves and our own resources and experience;
 - Information from other’s resources and experience;
 - God and His infinite resources and experience.
- When we are looking for answers, we are looking for wisdom, understanding, counsel, and knowledge. We are basically wanting to know what we should do and how we should do it to get the best results.
 - The Bible refers to this as wisdom!

JESUS, WISDOM ITSELF:

- Jesus is the full embodiment of wisdom (Is. 11:1-2; 1Cor. 1:24, 30; Col. 2:3).
 - Jesus is the answer because He is wisdom personified.
 - If you want the right answers, Jesus is the starting point.
 - If you want godly results, Jesus is the starting point.
- Jesus is willing to give us God’s wisdom to help direct, protect and correct our lives (Pr. 2:6; Col. 3:16; Ja. 1:5).

WONDERFUL COUNSELOR!

- Jesus is the Wonderful Counselor for every aspect of our lives (Is. 9:6).
- He has the answers!
 - Relationships (Lk. 6:27-28, 35-37).
 - The future (Mt. 6:25, 31-34).
 - Finances (Mt. 6:19-20, 24).
 - Matters of Faith (Mt. 17:19-20; Jn. 14:1).
 - There is no area of your life that Jesus will not counsel you and give you God’s wisdom.

WHY WE MISS IT:

- We compartmentalize our lives.
- We prefer our own wisdom.
- We find Jesus' counsel "too hard" (Mk. 8:34-35; 10:17-22).
- We don't ask (Lk. 11:5-10) and we give up too easily when we do ask!
- We treat God's counsel like a buffet, "I'll choose what looks good to me".

RECEIVING JESUS' ANSWERS:

- We must ask, consistently and persistently.
- Slow down and listen (Lk. 8:18).
- Believe that Jesus knows what is best for us in every area of our lives (George Mueller)
- Act on His counsel right away.

THE RESULTS:

- Jesus will become your Wonderful Counselor.
- Jesus will become your best friend.
- Jesus will become your Lord.
- Jesus will work everything for good in your life.