



THE
NEW
NORMAL

THE BOOK OF PROVERBS SERIES

We don't follow the world's new normal.
We rediscover God's timeless normal.

God has designed ways to best live in this world regardless of context, circumstances, economies or pandemics.
This can be found in the book of Proverbs.

the 4D's of wisdom

discipline, discernment, discretion, development

A NEW ATTITUDE

Proverbs 1:7 (NLT)

The Fear of the Lord is the foundation of true knowledge,
but fools despise wisdom and discipline.

ATTITUDE

the way you look at life






it's not in the way we look at life,
it's in the way we look at GOD

THE FEAR OF GOD

an attitude towards God's **rightful place**
and **rule** in our life and in our world



Proverbs 1:7 (MSG)

Start with God—the first step in learning is bowing down to God; only fools thumb their noses at such wisdom and learning.

Proverbs 9:10 (NLT)

The Fear of the LORD is the foundation of wisdom.
Knowledge of the Holy One results in **good judgment**.

God's Holiness

Be not wise in your own eyes; **fear the Lord, and turn away from evil.** It will be healing to your flesh and refreshment to your bones.

Proverbs 3:7-8 (ESV)

Unfailing love and faithfulness make atonement for sin.

By fearing the Lord, people avoid evil.

Proverbs 16:6 (NLT)

a fear that drives us away from doing what is evil

a fear that drives us to know and do what is right in God's eyes

God's Holiness

Fear of the Lord **lengthens one's life**, but the years of the wicked are cut short.

Proverbs 10:27 (NLT)

The reward for humility and fear of the Lord is **riches and honor and life**.

Proverbs 22:4 (ESV)

God's Justice

Blessed are those who **fear to do wrong**, but the stubborn are headed for serious trouble.

Proverbs 28:14 (NLT)

Don't rob the poor just because you can, or exploit the needy in court.

For the Lord is their defender. **He will ruin anyone who ruins them.**

Proverbs 22:22-23 (NLT)



a fear that drives us away from indifference, apathy and injustice

a fear that drives us to speak, live out and trust God's justice

God's Justice

The godly care about the rights of the poor; **the wicked don't care at all.**

Proverbs 29:7 (NLT)

Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves; ensure **justice** for those being crushed. Yes, **speak up** for the poor and helpless, and see that they get **justice**.

Proverbs 31:8-9 (NLT)

God's Justice

When the righteous prosper, the city rejoices; when the wicked perish, there are shouts of joy. Through the blessing of the upright a city is exalted, but by the mouth of the wicked it is destroyed
Proverbs 11:10-11 (NIV)

The whole city celebrates a good man's success—and also the godless man's death. The good influence of godly citizens causes a city to prosper, but the moral decay of the wicked drives it downhill.
Proverbs 11:10-11 (TLB)

The message of the cross is foolish to those who are headed for destruction! But we who are being saved know it is the very power of God.

But to those called by God to salvation, both Jews and Gentiles, Christ is the power of God and the wisdom of God. This foolish plan of God is wiser than the wisest of human plans, and God's weakness is stronger than the greatest of human strength.

1 Corinthians 1:18, 24-25 (NLT)

