

WEEK 5: LEARNING DISCERNMENT

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A Wise Woman Builds Her Home

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DAY 1 - POWER OF YOUR TONGUE

“With the tongue we praise our Lord and Father, and with it we curse human beings, who have been made in God’s likeness. Out of the same mouth come praise and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this should not be.” James 3:9-10

So many people use their tongue to curse. Others use it as a defence mechanism to protect them in vulnerable situations. Words have power, and they bear fruit, regardless of the intention. You either choose to bless or to curse with your tongue. And what you speak should come from what you know is true. Truth comes from God, not from the world.

Read Philippians 4:8

“Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.” Philippians 4:8

If it’s not true, noble or praiseworthy, do not declare it. The fruits of what you confess and declare with your mouth will most certainly show.

Wisdom is the will as well as the ability to partner with whatever is true, noble, right, pure, lovely, admirable, excellent and praiseworthy.

This week we will focus on shaping the words that come out of our mouths. And pray for every area of our lives with insight from the Holy Spirit.

Key words:

Ask God to reveal to you what is:

**True
Noble
Right
Pure
Lovely
Admirable
Excellent
Praiseworthy**

Pray that God will shape your thoughts, to only think of things in the way that Philippians 4:8 describes.

Focus on doing the work in this area. Meditate on Philippians 4:8. Whatever is the opposite of the list should not dwell in your mind, your heart, nor should it be on your lips.

DAY 2- PRAYING FOR YOUR HUSBAND

“Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash.” Matthew 7:24-27

Here is the truth about prayer- there's never a 'perfect' time to pray. It's never too soon and it's never too late. Every time is the right time. And when you want to build with God, prayer becomes a best friend.

Whether you're a single, married or dating woman, your prayers have the power to shape you into becoming the wife and builder that God intended you to be, and you receive discernment on how to build.

If you're single, ask God to show you how to pray for your future husband. Write down prayer points. You can start building now.

If you're a married woman, write down key things that God places on your heart for your marriage and your husband. What new strategies is God giving you in this season? Seek Him.

DAY 3- PRAYING FOR YOUR CHILDREN

"She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue." Proverbs 31:26

When you understand, through wisdom, that motherhood is not exclusive to natural birth, you begin to pray differently. There are people that God has placed in your life to mother in one way or another. Pray for them, nurture them and build them up.

Let God show you the kind of mother He wants you to be. Write down prayer points and pray for your children, and those you will have in the future.

Pray intentionally for God to build and shape your character in this area.

DAY 4- PRAYING FOR YOUR HOME

“In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.” Ephesians 2:21-22

Write down what you would like your home to represent. Start covering your home and ask the Holy Spirit to fill it.

DAY 5- BOUNDARIES

“Jesus told them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field. But while everyone was sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and went away. When the wheat sprouted and formed heads, then the weeds also appeared. “The owner’s servants came to him and said, ‘Sir, didn’t you sow good seed in your field? Where then did the weeds come from?’ ‘An enemy did this,’ he replied.” Matthew 13:24-28

When you grow in wisdom, you learn that not everyone has the best intentions for you. Not everyone wants to see you win. So much darkness surrounds the world, and you need to be careful who you let into your circle. Your circle will make or break what you are trying to build. The little “innocent” things that you let slide have the potential of robbing and destroying (see John 10:10). When we let those things or people slide into your sacred places, they will grow to hinder your fruits.

“Catch for us the foxes, the little foxes that ruin the vineyards, our vineyards that are in bloom.” Song of Songs 2:15

It’s important to note that when you are building, not everyone should have access to your home. Remember, your home is not just your physical home, but it is everything that your home represents, including your purpose and your destiny. Wisdom is knowing how to set boundaries.

Boundaries are to be seen as gates and doors to keep out anything and everything that threatens to destroy the foundation of what you have built, and what you are building.

Be bold enough to say ‘no’ when the time comes. Discern the friendships in your life and surround yourself with those who will help you preserve the vision that God has for you and your home.

Prayer

Lord, help me to discern the friendships in my life. Help me to know who is for me and who is not. May Your Holy Spirit lead and direct me. Show me how to set healthy boundaries in every area of my life, and remove anything or anyone who is not in alignment with Your will. In Jesus’ Name. Amen.