



## HOW TO DEVELOP DISCERNMENT?

*“<sup>9</sup>And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, <sup>10</sup>so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ,”* [Philippians 1:9-10 niv](#)

### Introduction:

*“<sup>125</sup>Give discernment to me, your servant; then I will understand your laws.”*  
[Psalm 119:125 nlt](#)

*“<sup>21</sup>My child, don't lose sight of common sense and discernment. Hang on to them, <sup>22</sup>for they will refresh your soul. They are like jewels on a necklace. <sup>23</sup>They keep you safe on your way, and your feet will not stumble. <sup>24</sup>You can go to bed without fear; you will lie down and sleep soundly.”* [Proverbs 3:21-24 nlt](#)

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*“<sup>16</sup>And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever <sup>17</sup>the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you. <sup>18</sup>I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you.”* [John 14:16-18](#)

*“<sup>26</sup>But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.”*  
[John 14:26 niv](#)

*“<sup>14</sup>Now the natural man doesn't receive the things of God's Spirit, for they are foolishness to him, and he can't know them, because they are spiritually discerned. <sup>15</sup>But he who is spiritual discerns all things, and he himself is judged by no one.”*  
[1 Corinthians 2:14-15 web](#)

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*"<sup>29</sup>Jesus replied, Your mistake is that you don't know the Scriptures, and you don't know the power of God." Matthew 22:29 nlt*

*"<sup>130</sup>The unfolding of your words gives light; it gives understanding to the simple." Psalm 119:130 niv*

*"<sup>11</sup>I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you." Psalm 119:11 niv*

*"<sup>9</sup>So give your servant a discerning heart to govern your people and to distinguish between right and wrong. For who is able to govern this great people of yours?" 1 Kings 3:9 niv*

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*"<sup>23</sup>They will teach my people the difference between what is holy and what is common, what is ceremonially clean and unclean." Ezekiel 44:23 nlt*

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*"<sup>17</sup>He who keeps instruction is in the way of life, But he who refuses correction goes astray." Proverbs 10:17*

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*"<sup>8</sup>Even though Jesus was God's Son, he learned obedience from the things he suffered." Hebrews 5:8 nlt*

*"<sup>11</sup>Now all these things happened to them by way of example, and they were written for our admonition, on whom the ends of the ages have come." 1 Corinthians 10:11 web*

### Conclusion:

*"<sup>7</sup>Getting wisdom is the wisest thing you can do! And whatever else you do, develop good judgment. <sup>8</sup>If you prize wisdom, she will make you great. Embrace her, and she will honor you." Proverbs 4:7-8 nlt*