Prov 4:7 says

"Above all and before all, do this: Get Wisdom!

Write this at the top of your list: Get Understanding! Throw your arms around her—believe me, you won't regret it; never let her go—she'll make your life glorious. She'll garland your life with grace, she'll festoon your days with beauty."

Getting understanding should be on top of our list.

Mark 4:12

So That While Seeing, They May See And Not Perceive, And While Hearing, They May Hear And Not Understand, Otherwise They Might Return And Be Forgiven."

They will return and seek forgiveness because they won't want to miss what they are understanding.

Matthew 16:8-9, Jesus challenged the disciples:

"8Aware of their conversation, Jesus said, "You of little faith, why are you talking among yourselves about having no bread? 9**Do_you still not understand?**

- Do you not remember the five loaves for the five thousand, and how many basketfuls you gathered? 10Or the seven loaves for the four thousand, and how many basketfuls you gathered?

Mark 4:12

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In Exodus 4:21

²¹ The LORD said to Moses, "When you return to Egypt, see that you perform before Pharaoh all the wonders I have given you the power to do. But I will harden his heart so that he will not let the people go.

If God allowed Pharaoh to gain understanding, he will see through what is coming and quickly repent.

"Understanding" enables appreciate whom God is

Isaiah 41 says:

2"Who has stirred up this king from the east, rightly calling him to God's service? Who gives this man victory over many nations and permits him to trample their kings underfoot? With his sword, he reduces armies to dust. With his bow, he scatters them like chaff before the wind. ³ He chases them away and goes on safely, though he is walking over unfamiliar ground. ⁴Who has done such mighty deeds, summoning each new generation from the beginning of time?

It is I, the LORD, the First and the Last. I alone am He."

Brethren, unless we have understanding we cannot appreciate the implications of that power that same God is our God!

Ephesians I gives clarity to Isaiah 41:

¹⁸ I pray that the eyes of your heart (understanding) may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of His glorious inheritance in his holy people, ¹⁹ and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is the same as the mighty strength ²⁰ He exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated Him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, ²¹ far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every name that is invoked, not only in the present age but also in the one to come.²² And God placed all things under His feet and appointed Him to be head over everything for the church.

Proverbs 2:2-5

²Tune your ears to wisdom, and concentrate on understanding.

- ³ Cry out for insight, and ask for understanding.
- ⁴ Search for them as you would for silver; seek them like hidden treasures.
- ⁵Then you will understand what it means to fear the LORD, and you will gain knowledge of God.

Proverbs 4:7

Though it cost all you have, get understanding.

Ephesians I:17

I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation (insight/understanding), so that you may know Him.

Deep insights/understanding into what it means when God said:

³ "Let there be light," and there was light.

⁶ "Let there be a vault between the waters to separate water from water." And it was so. ⁸ God called the vault "sky."

⁹"Let the water under the sky be gathered to one place, and let dry ground appear." And it was so.

¹¹"Let the land produce vegetation: seed-bearing plants and trees on the land that bear fruit with seed in it, according to their various kinds." And it was so.

Brethren Proverbs 2 says: ⁴ Search for wisdom and understanding as you would for silver;

Isaiah 41:¹⁷"When the poor and needy search for water and there is none, and their tongues are parched from thirst, then I,

the LORD, will answer them.

I, the God of Israel, will never abandon them.

¹⁸ I will open up rivers for them on the high plateaus.
I will give them fountains of water in the valleys.
I will fill the desert with pools of water.
Rivers fed by springs will flow across the parched ground.

²⁰ I am doing this so all who see this miracle will understand what it means— that it is the LORD who has done this, the Holy One of Israel who created it.

PEOPLE WHO LACK UNDEESTANDING EITHER...

- LACK KNOWLEDGE
- HAVE HARDENED HEART
- LACK HUNGER OR ASK
- SIN

Lack Knowledge: I Timothy 1:7: wanting to be teachers of the Law, even though they do not understand either what they are saying or the matters about which they make confident assertions.

John 16:18 So they were saying, "What is this that He says, 'A little while'? We do not know what He is talking about."

Romans 11:33

Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and unfathomable His ways!

Isaiah I:3 "An ox knows its owner, And a donkey its master's manger, But Israel does not know, My people do not understand."

Hardened Heart:

Mark 8:17 "And Jesus said to them, "Why do you discuss the fact that you have no bread? Do you not yet see or understand? **Do you have a hardened heart?**

4. NO ASK

Romans 3:11 THERE IS NONE WHO UNDERSTANDS, THERE IS NONE WHO SEEKS FOR GOD

Ephesians 4:18

being darkened in their understanding, excluded from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, because of the hardness of their heart;

5. SIN

Hosea 4:11 "Harlotry, wine and new wine take away the understanding."

POWER IN UNDERSTANDING GOD

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Brethren, let us sincerely ask God to give us understanding So that we can enjoy the power of God beyond the ordinary level.

PEOPLE WHO HAD UNDERSTAING OF GOD

I. DAVID

"The LORD who rescued me from the paw of the lion and the paw of the bear will rescue me from the hand of this Philistine." Saul said to David, "Go, and the LORD be with you." I Samuel 17:37

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³ "Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, ⁴ who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God." **2 Corinthians I**

"He has delivered us from such a deadly peril, and He will deliver us. In Him we have placed our hope that He will yet again deliver us" **2 Corin 1:10**

3. HEBREW BOYS

"If the God whom we serve exists, then He is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace and from your hand, O king." Daniel 3:17

Brethren, let us consistently seek understanding of God. Proverbs 2:11

I I Discretion will watch_over you, and understanding will guard you, 12to deliver you from the way of evil, from the man who speaks perversity.

God Bless You!

2018 PRAYER POINTS

I. Pray over the message of today. Ask God to sharpen our understanding of God and His Word

2. Pray that KCM will continue to fulfil its mandate as God's house of prayer for all nations (Isaiah 56:7), extending God's love to all the nations.

- 3. Prayer for the Leadership of Nations ...
 - a. The Lord to open the eyes of heart (understanding) of the leaders may be enlightened in order that they may know the hope to which God has called them, the riches of His glorious inheritance in his holy people,
 - b. Leaders to be humble in leadership and fear God
- 4. Thank God for eradicating Troubles/Wars in nations and making it possible for people to freely serve God. Commit Cave issue in Thailand.
- 5. Ask God to please cleanse our land (2 Chro 7:13-18).
- 6. Pray for Minsters, Ministries, Missionaries and Missions and commission to win souls
- 7. For Marriages to be true, Children to fear God, families to stay together
- 8. Pray for Members of the fellowship wisdom and understanding of God
- 9 Needs in fellowship & and any special request we have not covered
- 10.Ask for God's favour and grace this week and pray for next Sunday

