

# PROVERBS

## Week 2: The Wisdom of Steadfast Love

**Primary Passage:** Proverbs 3:1-12

**Related Passages:** Proverbs 1:20-23, James 1:5, Deuteronomy 6:4-9, Revelation 21:1-4

*"The law...will teach me that I ought to love God and my neighbor, and also to live in chastity, soberness, and patience, but it will never deliver me from sin, the devil, and death. And so I must take council to the gospel...which teaches me not what I ought to do, but what Jesus Christ the son of God has done for me. That he suffered and died to deliver me from sin and from death. The gospel wills me to receive it and believe it. And this is the truth of the Gospel, the principal of all Christian doctrine, Most necessary is it, therefore, that we should know this article well, teach it unto others, and beat it into [our] heads continually."*

- Martin Luther

### LifeGroup Study Guide:

**Recap:** Have someone from your Lifegroup read Proverbs 3:1-12 and recap the highlights from this week's sermon.

**Read Proverbs 3:3-4.** Would you say it is easier or more difficult for you to trust in the steadfast love of the Lord? What obstacles prevent you from seeing God's never changing love as the most important thing that defines your identity?

- What are the primary competing things apart from Jesus things that you are allowing to give you a sense of identity? What sources of non-steadfast love do you chase?
- What are the things that anger you or scare you most in life? What might these things say about where you are building your sense of security and identity?

**Read Proverbs 3:5-12.** The steadfast love of God fundamentally changes our relationship to:

1. ... authority, and other people's voice in our lives (v. 7-8).
2. ... our stuff and our wealth (v. 9-10).
3. ... God's discipline and correction (v. 11-12).

Which of these stand out the most to you where you are struggling to trust that God is good for you and wiser than you? How we can as a group help you repent?

**Pray** that we as a Lifegroup would quiet the noises of our lives enough to rest in God's steadfast love as the truest true thing about us..