

## **Family Sermon Guide** **March 15, 2020**

Hello Church family,

I hope you were blessed by your time of worship with us *online* this morning. It is no coincidence that God has us walking through our series titled, **Walking Wisely**, during these difficult, ever changing times. Solomon was right when he wrote in Proverbs 2:6, “For the Lord gives wisdom; from His mouth come knowledge and understanding.”

I hope you take some time with your family today to discuss these questions and pray together. God hears and answers our prayers according to His will for us which is best for us.

### **Discussion**

1. Read Ephesians 5:15-17. Read the golden rule from Jesus in Matthew 7:12.
  - a) Discuss how God wants us to walk wisely today in the midst of the emergence of COVID-19.
  - b) Discuss how we can be the light of the world (Matthew 5:14-16) to those around us in light of COVID-19.
  - c) What is one way we can make the most of the time God gives us this week to walk wisely?
2. Read 2 Timothy 1:7, Romans 12:1-2 and Philippians 4:6-7.
  - a) Discuss why it is so important for us to spend time in God’s Word each day.
  - b) b. Discuss how these scriptures can encourage us as we walk wisely during these times.
  - c) c. What is one way we can encourage others with these verses this week?

### **Prayer**

1. Pray for one another to walk wisely this week. (James 1:5-8)
2. Ask God, in His grace and mercy, to stop this pandemic and save lives in our nation and around the world. (Psalm 34:15, Isaiah 59:1)
3. Pray for President Donald Trump and other governmental leaders – international, federal, state and local – to have the wisdom to direct us in the best courses of action for prevention and care. (Romans 13:1-4)
4. Pray for the doctors, nurses and health care workers as they treat and care for those who are infected and their families. Pray for the protection and health our missionaries around the world as they share the gospel with the nations. Pray for our continued protection and health as we minister to those around us. (Psalm 90:12; Ephesians 6:18)
5. Pray for God to be glorified and praised in this difficult time. Pray for people to receive God’s gift of salvation by God’s grace through their faith in Jesus. (Psalm 115:1)