



Tap the Mother Lode

“Let those who are wise listen to these proverbs and become even wiser. And let those who understand receive guidance by exploring the depth of meaning in these proverbs, parables, wise sayings, and riddles.”

King Solomon | Proverbs 1:5-6 (NLT)

Contrary to the message the world has taught about making a great reset at the launch of a new year, I’ve had an attitude of “Why wait?” Upon the recognition of a needed change, I implement it right away. On top of this, rather than goal setting, I’ve learned to focus on forming habits, and (this is super important!), anchoring desired new habits to an existing successful habit.

For example, desiring to become more fit, years ago I added an exercise routine to my daily schedule. Why? Because my work

schedule was set in stone, whereas my weekend schedule... well, who knew what might happen? My new habit succeeded because it became part of an already successful habit. Most would consider me to be physically fit now!

Of course, as I wrote in this recent Coach's Huddle ([Savvy](#)), spiritual training is far more valuable than physical training. Nearly 25 years ago, I hooked spiritual training to my daily schedule just as I'd done with physical training... the benefits are overflowing! I've even discovered the Mother Lode of spiritual gold – Divine Wisdom. Have you tapped into it yet?

*Reflect: **What successful daily habit can I anchor a new habit to?***

Distinct from worldly wisdom, Divine Wisdom transcends. An outpouring from Divine Love, it upends and overrules worldly wisdom.

"Fear of the Lord is the foundation of true wisdom. All who obey his commandments will grow in wisdom." (Psalm 111:10)

"Fear of the Lord is the foundation of true knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and discipline." (Proverbs 1:7)

Fear of the Lord is the exclusive key that opens the door to the Mother Lode. What does it mean to Fear the Lord? To take him seriously! **(Do I?)** Prove it by walking in fearful obedience to the Lord. **(Will I?)**

“Joyful is the person who finds wisdom, the one who gains understanding. For wisdom is more profitable than silver, and her wages are better than gold. Wisdom is more precious than rubies; nothing you desire can compare with her. She offers you long life in her right hand, and riches and honor in her left. She will guide you down delightful paths; all her ways are satisfying. Wisdom is a tree of life to those who embrace her; happy are those who hold her tightly.” (Proverbs 3:13-18)

Who but a fool wouldn't choose to grab the key and open this door to treasure!

Consider: I access the Mother Lode by taking the Lord seriously; by walking in fearful obedience to him.

What might happen if you make a daily dig in search of the Mother Lode?

“Tune your ears to wisdom, and concentrate on understanding. Cry out for insight, and ask for understanding. Search for them as you would for silver; seek them like hidden treasures.” (Proverbs 2:2-4)

Dig slowly! Carefully explore Proverbs just a few verses at a time. Led by the Spirit, ask questions as if a miner panning for gold, soberly considering every fleck. Let's look at a couple of examples:

“But all who listen to me will live in peace, untroubled by fear of harm.” (Proverbs 1:33)

- Does my life look peaceful? Untroubled? ...Am I really listening?
How could I listen more carefully?

"Follow the steps of good men instead, and stay on the paths of the righteous." (Proverbs 2:30)

- Who am I following? What's their character? What path have I been walking on? Who should I be following instead?

This need only take a few minutes! Will you make this a daily habit? Simply anchor it to your existing successful habit.

Imagine: My Mission hungers for the Mother Lode... I'm thriving because I feed it daily.

As I describe in this Coach's Huddle ([Adventure](#)), your Mission is found when you search intently for Divine Wisdom. Don't know your Mission yet? Take the Lord seriously, he has plans for you! So, start digging... it's well worth it!

"The purpose in a man's heart is like deep water, but a man of understanding will draw it out." Proverbs 20:5 (ESV)

Once you know your Mission, you'll discover that, given its Divine origin, it hungers for a steady supply of Divine Wisdom. Feed it and you will thrive...

Tap the Mother Lode!

Go off the grid and ask these questions:

Coach's Questions

- What is my Mission? (Need help? [Start here.](#))
- What successful daily habit will I use as my anchor?
- How will I tie a daily dig into Proverbs to my anchor habit?

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Tap the Mother Lode and Thrive!

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding. Seek his will in all you do, and he will show you which path to take. Don't be impressed with your own wisdom. Instead, fear the Lord and turn away from evil. Then you will have healing for your body and strength for your bones."

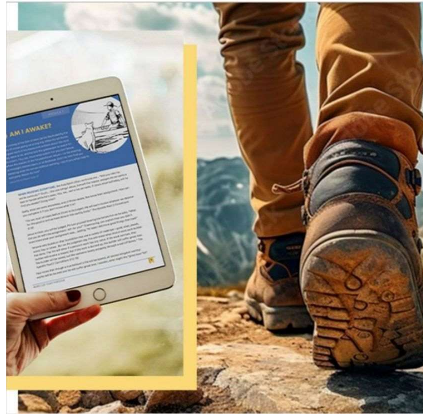
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