Proverbs Chapter 9; John 1:1,14

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Introduction: Is there wisdom apart from God? People may say, "well yes, look at Confucius. He had some very wise sayings." Yes, he and others had some wise sayings. They sought out wisdom and their conscience, being not dead, could observe truth like Solomon did. Wisdom is not an end in itself but a way of thinking and acting in God's Kingdom, to do the business of the kingdom. Wisdom by itself is not salvation. See Ephesians 2:8-10.

The quality of any house is directly related to its foundation. Matthew 7:24-29

- 1. House on the rock
- 2. House on the sand

All human kingdoms are going to collapse with only the rock, Jesus, left Daniel 2:37.

This house will stand through everything coming. Look at what has happened already in less than twenty years. Terrorism via World Trade Tower, 2008 financial collapse, the emergence of ISIS, the pandemic of 2020.

So, what is the foundation of Wisdom?

THE ETERNAL WORD John 1;1-3

- 1. In <u>the beginning</u>, Greek "arche", the beginning, origin, first, the dateless past. Genesis 1:1; Proverbs 8:23
- 2. The WORD here is the Greek word, logos which refers to Christ
 - a. Revelation 19:13 "He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God."
 - b. Micah 5:2 "But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of you shall come forth to Me the One to be Ruler in Israel, whose goings forth are from of old, from everlasting."
 - c. Revelation 1:8 "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End," says the Lord, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."
 - d. Rev. 2:8b "...these things says the First and the Last, who was dead, and came to life:"
 - e. Rev. 22:13 "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End, the First and the Last."
 - f. Christ, an eternal being along with Father God and Holy Spirit" Hebrews 9:14
- 3. Logos is used 330 times mainly it has to do with a concept, and idea, v.1

THE INCARNATE WORD John 1:14

- 1. "And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth."
- 2. Not created but "begotten." Jesus is and was and always be the only begotten Son of God
- 3. We are the adopted sons and daughters of God.
- 4. A body prepared for Christ, Hebrews 10:5-9
- 5. 1 Peter 1:18-21

Last Words: Rejoice for we are tied eternally to Christ and the Kingdom of God. We have a past in Christ and a future.