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Wisdom for the Asking
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ASK IT
The **Question** that **answers**
just about everything.

What is the **WISE** thing to do?

In Light of my **past** experience, **current** circumstances,
future hopes and dreams, what's the **wise** thing for me to do?

WE ALL HAVE REGRETS

“How could I have been so **foolish**?”

“I should have **seen** it coming.”

...I should've seen it coming...
Chances are somebody
in your life saw it coming.

Either you didn't **listen**
or nobody **warned** you.

Here is the question we need to ask.
Why can I see trouble coming
in your life but you can't?

EMOTIONALLY CHARGED

Environments are not ideal
for decision – making.

Our emotions make
the obvious **less** obvious.

Isn't it obvious what your neighbors
need to do with their children.

What's the **wise** thing to do when emotions
are high and appetites are inflamed?

LISTEN

Wise people recognize **when** they are in no
condition to decide
for themselves by themselves.

1 Kings 4:29 (NIV)

^[29] God gave Solomon wisdom and very great insight, and a breadth of understanding as measureless as the sand on the seashore.

1 Kings 4:31 (NIV)

^[31] And his fame spread to all the surrounding nations.

1 Kings 4:34 (NIV)

^[34] Men of all nations came to **listen** to Solomon's wisdom, sent by all the kings of the world, who had heard of his wisdom.

Proverbs 9:9 (NIV)

^[9] Instruct a wise man and he will be wiser still; teach a righteous man and he will add to his learning.

Proverbs 1:5 (NASB)

^[5] A wise man will hear and increase in learning, And a man of understanding will acquire wise counsel,

Proverbs 12:15 (NASB)

^[15] The way of a fool is right in his own eyes, But a wise man is he who listens to counsel.

Proverbs 15:22 (NIV)

^[22] Plans fail for lack of counsel, but with many advisers they succeed.

Proverbs 19:20 (NIV)

^[20] Listen to advice and accept instruction, and in the end you will be wise.

Proverbs 13:10 (NIV)

^[10] Pride only breeds quarrels, but wisdom is found in those who take advice.

One of the wisest men
who ever lived
made some of the dumbest
decisions ever made.

We already know
what the wise people are
going to say and
we don't want to hear it.

We don't think it's anyone's business.

Private decisions have
Public consequences.

PRIDE

Success is intoxicating.
Failure is humiliating.

"I got this!"

I resist anything that
reminds me of my
Inadequacies. I resist
even the solution.

PRIDE

"I should've seen it coming."