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Experience the wisdom of God in your life as never before

The book of Proverbs is a wellspring of wisdom, offering practical guidance for life and the tools to make good choices, withstand pressure, prioritize relationships, and avoid unnecessary trouble.

Now bestselling author John Mason helps you make that wisdom a part of your inner life. For thirty-one days, he takes you through each chapter of Proverbs, unpacking the wisdom within and providing a heartfelt prayer based on the insights from that chapter. As you read and pray, you'll discover the principles found in this wisdom-packed book coming alive in your life in ways you may never have imagined.

## Proverbs Prayers Details

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### Narita says

Proverbs is one of my favorite books of the Bible. The author has printed the 31 verses from the NASV Bible. I only read the King James Version but I understand that is a preference. It would be great if the author would publish the book in that version also.

After each chapter is a prayer according to the verse. I love the idea of personalizing prayers and praying them back to God. In doing so we can know we are praying His will. I would not pray these prayers exactly as they are written, but use them as a springboard to making them my own.

As I read them, there were places that I gained insights into ways of applying the scripture to my life. For example Proverbs 3:27, "Withhold not good from them to whom it is due, when it is in the power of thine hand to do it." The author wrote in the prayer, "Lord, I sincerely ask You today to send opportunities for me to do good to others...." I have read that verse many times and understood that when I had it to give I should not keep back. I had not seen it as an "opportunity" to help others. That is just one of many.

Having each chapter and prayer by itself made it easy to use. It helps to concentrate on just Proverbs. The book is just the right size to carry with you too.

I have always been taught that by reading a chapter a day in Proverbs, you will grow in wisdom far beyond the average person. A wonderful book to have!

I received a copy of this book free from Revell Publications. I was not required to write a positive review. The opinions I have expressed are my own.

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### Jalynn Patterson says

#### About the Book:

One of the most popular books of the Bible, Proverbs offers practical guidance for life and the tools to make good choices, withstand pressure, prioritize relationships, and avoid unnecessary trouble. In these pages, John Mason helps readers make God's wisdom a part of their inner lives, offering each chapter from Proverbs followed by a heartfelt prayer that covers the insights from that chapter. In thirty-one days, readers can pray all of the wisdom of Proverbs for their lives, experiencing God's wisdom as never before and finding encouragement, peace, answers, and a better life.

#### My Review:

In these days and times it really is a good thing if you stay in constant contact with God and prayer is how so many of us choose to do so. We have trouble going on all around us and it shows no signs of stopping any time soon. The author has taken it upon himself to take the book of Proverbs and split it up according to which issue we have at the moment in a way to help guide us through the process of pray.

It is a very practical book and a good one to have as a go along with your daily Bible reading. It is a very easy guide to use as you just pray out what the author has already separated. It felt good to read some of those old Proverbs again. Especially my favorite Proverbs 31.

\*\*Disclosure\*\* This book was sent to me free of charge for my honest review from the author.

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## **Sara Wise says**

“Proverbs Prayers” is a great resource for anyone who would like to add the Proverbs into their daily walk and devotional time. Author John Mason provides a resource that allows the reader to not only read a Proverb each day of the month, but to also focus on a prayer that reflects the theme of that day’s Proverbs.

Spanning 31 days, Mason’s book provides the full text for each Proverb, primarily offered in the New American Standard Bible, followed by a prayer.

If read and prayed genuinely, “Proverbs Prayers” will be a great resource for the reader to grow closer to God and gain a deeper insight into the Bible’s Book of Proverbs and its wisdoms. With each day’s installment fairly short, this book is quick and easy to follow, and won’t bog the reader down.

Mason concludes the book with a section entitled “Proverbs Principles,” where he offers a verse and brief explanation on how Proverbs relates to various topics — like character, compassion, laziness, motivation, temptation and trust.

“Proverbs Prayers” is a great tool to deepen one’s connection to God and will give the reader a nice daily boost in their walk.

Five stars out of five.

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## **Prairie Sky Book Reviews says**

We are all familiar with the wellspring of wisdom offered in the Biblical book of Proverbs. Many people, myself included, often read this book over the course of a month since it conveniently contains 31 chapters. Sometimes, however, it can be a little more difficult to actually incorporate that wisdom into our daily lives. If you seek to make the practical guidance of Proverbs a deeper part of your inner life, I am so excited to share a new, certain-to-be treasured book with you...

“Proverbs Prayers: Praying the Wisdom of Proverbs for Your Life” was written by minister, speaker, and best-selling author John Mason, and published by Revell in the fall of 2015. This little book contains the full text of Proverbs, divided chapter by chapter. What is the unique part, you ask? Why not just read the book in your Bible? Well, after each chapter, Mr. Mason has written a beautiful, in-depth and heartfelt prayer that carefully corresponds with that day’s reading of the Proverbs chapter. The prayers incorporate each aspect of the specific chapter, and allow readers to internalize the words of wisdom in a deeper way. More importantly, the prayers allow us to take our requests for gaining wisdom to the throne of our Heavenly Father, praising him and asking him to guide us into greater understanding as we go through the activities of our day. As Mr. Mason states, “When you read each proverb and pray the corresponding prayer, you will be asking the Lord to cause every promise and principle from that chapter to come alive in your life. As you do, I believe God is going to show you some things you’ve never seen before.”

As I continue to read this book each day, I am discovering the truth of these words. It truly enriches and

strengthens my insight into Proverbs beyond measure. Please, don't hesitate to give this little book a try for yourself! It will impact you, and God's wisdom will be illuminated in bright new ways.

I am grateful to have received a copy of this book, free of charge, in exchange for an honest review. All opinions expressed are my own.

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### **A.C. Cuddy says**

*"Experience God's wisdom as never before and find encouragement, peace, answers, and a better life through this devotional prayer book."*

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This is not a physically big book, however the wisdom contained between it's covers is vast. **Proverb Prayers** by *John Mason* is about taking the time to pray the wisdom of the Proverbs over your life.

The book is set over 31 days i.e. 31 chapters. Each is just a page or two where the author unpacks the wisdom and insights contained in each proverb. Each chapter also contains a prayer to help the proverb come alive in our life.

Take the time to read this book... take a day for each. Don't rush through. Take the time to pray and ponder and let the wisdom of the proverbs enhance your days.

About the author: **John Mason** is an author with over 1.5 million books in print, including *An Enemy Called Average*, *You're Born an Original— Don't Die a Copy*, and *Let Go of Whatever Makes You Stop*. He is the founder and president of Insight International, an organization dedicated to helping people reach their dreams and fulfill their destiny. John is in great demand as a speaker throughout the United States and abroad.

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Amazon, Christian Book, Deeper Shopping, Goodreads, and to be featured on my blog at <http://titus3.wordpress.com>

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### **Michele Morin says**

The Beginning of Wisdom

Proverbs has always been a challenging read for me.

My brain wants to make outlines, and it searches in vain for a tidy way to summarize the truth of a chapter. Proverbs 1 and 2 cooperate nicely: wisdom. However, the following chapters veer off into multiple topics, and my takeaway from reading this valuable wisdom literature is that the message of Proverbs is pure and simple — except that even at its purest, it's seldom that simple.

In Proverbs Prayers, John Mason has examined the wisdom of the Proverbs with an eye towards prayer, something we're used to doing with the Psalms. In fact, his thinking has opened my eyes to the promises as well as the principles that run through every chapter. The book keeps readers grounded in the text by including all thirty-one proverbs, with each one followed by a written prayer. Since there is hardly an area of life that is NOT addressed by the Proverbs, praying through them opens the heart to an entire cosmos of issues:

Petition – “Lord, help me to love those around me by sharing your wisdom and love today.”

Declaration of intent – “I'll not foolishly reject understanding . . .”

Statements of belief, dear to the heart of God – “I believe that you are a fortress, a strong tower . . .”

Verbal application of principles – “If a conflict arises, help me to be patient with others by taking time to hear both sides of any problem.”

Gratitude – “I thank you . . . that a real friend like you always sticks closer than a brother.”

Affirmation of critical doctrines – “It is your purpose that always prevails.”

Dealing with sin – “Lord, I know that I can never make my own heart clean and pure by myself. Only you can do that, so I ask . . .”

I'm looking forward to working my way through Proverbs Prayers again, only this time, more slowly. And rather than analyzing the message of the Proverbs, this time my focus will be to ask for Divine Help in living out their message.

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### **Maureen Timerman says**

I love this handy little book, packed with the entire book of Proverbs.

The cover makes you want to visit this quiet, reflecting place. The pages look as though they were ripped instead of cut, and add charm, but it is the inside you need to savor.

Along with the Proverbs are pages of prayer to add to your readings. In 31 days if you only read one a day, you will be finished, but I was ready to do it again.

The book is a convenient size and I am able to take it with me whenever I travel. Enjoy the blessings brought forth.

Thank You John Mason for the beautiful prayers you offer.

I received this book through Litfuse Publicity Tours, and was not required to give a positive review.

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### **Joan says**

Reading the Bible is an important part of a Christian's spiritual growth. I know that many of you read through the book of Proverbs each month, a chapter a day. But what about actually praying the words you read?

Mason felt the Lord challenging him to do that very thing several years ago. As he did, the Word came alive to him and he began to see good changes in his life.

Mason has written this book to help you pray through Proverbs too. In thirty-one days you will have read through each chapter of Proverbs and prayed a corresponding prayer.

As I have gone through this book, praying through each chapter in Proverbs, I have been inspired, convicted, challenged, and more. This has been an amazing experience.

Here are a few of the prayers:

“Lord, I choose to listen to Your wisdom today.”

“Lord, help me walk with good people and stay on the right path today.”

“Today I choose to trust You with all of my heart and not depend on my own understanding.”

“Lord, keep me from saying deceptive and vulgar words.”

“Are there any areas of laziness in my life, Lord? Please reveal them to me.”

“Lord, I want to keep Your Word and capture Your commandments deep within my heart today.”

And that is just from the first week!

Praying through the Proverbs is a great reminder of who God is and what He desires from us. “Teach me to love instruction and knowledge today, Lord.” “Help me to avoid saying things that might hurt other people.” It is also great encouragement. “Thank You, Father, that Your truth always outlives a lie. A lie may win in the short run, but it never lasts long because truth endures forever.”

I found this book to be a good example of the practice of praying Scripture. If you have had difficulty understanding how that discipline works, this book will really help you.

Mason ends his book with a list of Proverbs Principles. He includes topics like anger, discipline, friends, humility, laziness, patience, trust, and many more. He gives the verse from Proverbs and then a short teaching. This is a great help for concentrating on a particular subject.

I highly recommend this book. At the end of thirty-one days, says Mason, wisdom will be your friend.

I received a complimentary egalley of this book from the publisher for the purpose of an independent and honest review.

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### **Renee Schaaf says**

An interesting devotional on the book of Proverbs by John Mason.

This is not something that you necessarily "study", but short readings from each chapter of Proverbs that can be done as a one-month devotional. Each chapter has a chapter that is taken from the New American Standard Bible (unless otherwise noted) and a corresponding prayer that really breaks down the proverb itself into a way we can ask God to teach us or speak to us using the focus(es) of that particular proverb. As the wording below the title of the book explains, it really is "praying the wisdom of Proverbs for your life".

I prefer to read the NIV version of scripture. So, I would read in my bible and then read the prayer. There were some differences in the interpretations.

Mason does a thorough job breaking down the proverbs to a prayer form. I liked that he did a Men's prayer and Women's prayer to Proverbs 31--the famous "Wife of Noble Character" proverb.

The end has a section of snippets on major biblical themes, like trust, wisdom, pride, etc.

The book is encased in a peaceful looking cover. Would make a nice gift for someone special, graduate, etc. There is even a "To and From" page in the beginning of the book for such an occasion.

I give this 4 out of 5 stars.

(I was given this book for free by the publisher in exchange for an honest review.)

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### **Nora St Laurent says**

Proverbs 4:7 "The beginning of wisdom is: Acquire wisdom; and with all you're acquiring, get understanding."

The author states, "Proverbs Prayers is a book written to help you pray these Scriptures. God can change you when you open your life to Him. When you read each proverb and pray the corresponding prayer, you will be asking the Lord to cause every promise and principle from that chapter to come alive in your life."

He continues, "Allow the Word of God to speak wisdom into your life. Ask God to help you make daily decisions that reflect good judgment... You'll soon discover that His wisdom breaks chains, unlocks doors, and illuminates your path!"

There are 31 Proverbs in this devotional type book. Proverbs 24 says, "Do not be envious of evil men, nor desire to be with them;" it goes on. The author has a prayer that follows. It starts out like this, "Lord, keep me from becoming jealous of ungodly people today. Remove from me any desire to be with them or like them. Their hearts plot evil schemes and destruction. Their words are full of trouble. Are there people like

that who are influencing my life? Please show me who they are so I can discontinue my relationship with them.”

I like how this author helps you apply the Word of God to your life through prayer. This makes a great devotional and study book. I look forward to reading the Proverbs with this author’s insight. I also look forward to praying the prayers and asking God to give me additional things to watch for in prayer.

I also liked that the author has a section in the back of this book showing Proverbs Principles. Listed are principles like Achievement, Advice etc. It starts out with a proverb scripture reference. Then gives a paragraph describing the principle. I found this list very helpful.

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### **Joanne Viola says**

Wisdom has never been needed more greatly than today.

In his book, Proverbs Prayers, John Mason takes us through the book of Proverbs, one chapter a day, and shows us how to pray and apply these verses to our lives.

He opens up the wisdom and insights found in each verse, bringing wisdom alive in both deeply spiritual and practical application.

He also includes “Proverbs Principles” on topics and struggles we encounter each day. He covers topics such as: achievement, anger, character, compassion, friendship, gossip, laziness, motivation, persistence, and vision.

The author has included a wide variety of quotes which bring further understanding and insight into wisdom:

“Never sell your principles for popularity or you’ll find yourself bankrupt in the worst way.”

“Watch your actions; they become habits. Watch your habits; they become character. Watch your character; it becomes your destiny.” (Frank Outlaw)

“You can always measure a person by the amount of opposition it takes to discourage him. When the water starts to rise, you can too.”

“As you go through life, you’re going to have many opportunities to keep your mouth shut. Take advantage of all of them.” (West Virginia Gazette)

“It’s what you learn after you know it all that counts.” (John Wooden)

I found this book to offer a fresh approach to wisdom. This book makes a perfect devotional as there are thirty one chapters, which can be easily read and prayed each month throughout the year.

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## **Katrina Epperson says**

What is wisdom?

How do you get it?

Webster's New World Dictionary defines wisdom as demonstrating "good judgement." Okay that makes sense, but how do you learn good judgement? Some might say through knowledge and learning and that's true. To obtain knowledge one must not only read their bible, but study it, pray about it and apply the principles to their lives.

John Mason has written a book that takes you on a journey through the book of Proverbs. This is a 31 day journey, but this is a book that you will want to keep as reference. Each day is designed where you will read a chapter, then reflect on what you have read then there is a prayer written that you can pray or use as guidance for your own prayer. At the end of the book is a section titled, Proverbs Principles. The area is in alphabetical order and lists 28 principles:

Achievement (Proverbs 24:3)

Advice (Proverbs 11:14)

Anger (Proverbs 16:32)

Character (Proverbs 10:9)

Compassion (Proverbs 14:31)

Conceit (Proverbs 26:12)

Diligence (Proverbs 6:6)

Direction (Proverbs 16:9)

Discipline (Proverbs 15:32)

Faith (Proverbs 29:25)

Friends (Proverbs 13:20)

Gossip (Proverbs 26:20)

Guidance (Proverbs 6:23)

Humility (Proverbs 27:12)

Knowledge (Proverbs 18:15)

Laziness (Proverbs 10:4)

Love (Proverbs 10:12)

Motivation (Proverbs 21:2)

Patience (Proverbs 28:20)

Peace (Proverbs 16:7)

Persistence (Proverbs 22:29)

Pride (Proverbs 16:18)

Righteousness (Proverbs 4:18)

Temptation (Proverbs 4:14)

Trust (Proverbs 3:5-6)

Vision (Proverbs 29:18)

Wisdom (Proverbs 4:7)

Words (Proverbs 15:23)

Each one is followed by encouraging insight in each passage to reflect upon and how to apply it to your life. This is not a long book being only 176 pages, but I strongly encourage you to take the 31 days to read and reflect. Not intentional by the author I'm sure, but there is space after each section that I was able to take notes or jot down something that just stood out when reflection. This is a book that you may give as a gift, but if your like me you will want to keep this book to go back to as reference time and again. I have not read a book by John Mason before so he is a new author to me, but one I will definitely look for in the future. I would recommend this book to anyone.

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### **C.E. Hart says**

This little, yet powerful book is designed to inspire us to pray the scriptures found in the comparative book of Proverbs. As stated in the introduction, "*When you read each proverb and pray the corresponding prayer, you will be asking the Lord to cause every promise and principle from that chapter to come alive in your life.*"

There are 31 chapters in the book of Proverbs, and **Proverb Prayers**, by John Mason, provides a written chapter of Proverbs compiled from different versions of the Bible (NASB, KJV, and TLB) and a coinciding prayer.

For instance, a section of chapter one speaks of obeying your parents, how people will tempt us to do wrong, and warnings of greed. The *prayer* asks for God's help in remembering our parent's wise words, His guidance in resisting temptations, and sending opportunities to give to others. These prayers are simple, yet can make profound changes in our daily life.

By reading one chapter a day, this book provides an entire month of daily scripture reading and praying. Life is sure to be blessed.

*"I am confident You will hear me when I call to You. When I seek you diligently, I will find you. What a privilege it is to follow You and Your wisdom."* ~Quote from chapter-one prayer

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I'm pleased that references to God are respectively capitalized in this book (He, You, Your, Lord, etc.) I love this book and the wonderful potential it holds. All you have to do is read it and live it to receive overflowing blessings. This would make a thoughtful gift. I received a Review Copy from the publisher.

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### **Laura says**

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I love devotionals. I have a small pile of ones that I especially enjoy, and read them randomly throughout the day. PROVERBS PRAYERS will be added to this collection. It starts with a selection from proverbs, which you read from this book (or you can look it up in the Bible, if you'd rather) and then pray those verses over your own life, or the life of your loved ones.

I am a very conservative Christian and at our church, a visiting preacher gave my daughter (and several other children) a DVD of proverbs, you play it every day, and memorize the scripture verses, to help you grow as a Christian. This book would be the grown up version, as you read and think about what you read, and then pray about it.

I thoroughly enjoyed reading through this book, both out loud as a family devotional and quietly as a personal devotional, and highly recommend this book as a stellar devotional to anyone who is a prayer warrior, or want more scripture based devotionals. \$12.99. 160 pages.

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### **Laura says**

Proverbs Prayers by John Mason is an excellent method for praying God's Word into your life. Mason includes each chapter of Proverbs with a corresponding devotional prayer that includes the essence of each chapter along with other relevant Scripture pertinent to that chapter. Intriguing is the fact that he has a separate prayer for women and men for chapter thirty-one, which is an admonition by King Lemuel's mother. It's a message to direct women to be Godly women and a man's guide in choosing and thankfully cherishing a Godly woman. Priceless!

I enjoy the specific Scriptures that he highlights—a good way to start you on a memorization program. The end section gives us a set of Proverbs principles based on several topic words that incorporate his thoughts as well as the thoughts of other leaders that highlight the importance of these specific issues for our lives. They are powerful points on these subjects that are important to remember and to apply to your life.

For a sure way of praying God's will for your life and to help you make Godly choices, pick up John Mason's Proverbs Prayers. It's a great stepping stone to learning how to pray the Bible for yourself and others.

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