

# **GOD'S Rx FOR AN ABUNDANT LIFE**

## **Part 8: Acknowledge Him**

### **LEAN NOT ON YOUR OWN UNDERSTANDING (Proverbs 3:5-6 NKJ)**

- What this is not saying
  1. Never use your mind
  2. Man's understanding worthless
- Our understanding is founded on different factors
  1. Reasonings and logic - Nothing wrong with this, but it's still not perfect
  2. Observations - read/heard/experienced - Not everything you read/hear is true
  3. Feelings - rational and irrational/emotions - Can be highly unreliable
  4. Traditions - things we have often caught from others - because it has been passed down does not make it right

### **IN ALL YOUR WAYS ACKNOWLEDGE HIM**

- A key to God's Direction **(1 Samuel 23:1-4 NKJ)**
  1. David asked God before he made a move
  2. Was willing to ask again
- The enemy of assumption **(1 Samuel 23:10-13 NKJ)**
  1. David could have assumed that Keilah would back him
  2. He acknowledged the Lord - and asked

### **DO NOT BE WISE IN YOUR OWN EYES (Proverbs 3:7-8 NKJ)**

- Biblical humility - not a low opinion of yourself, but a higher opinion of God and His wisdom
  1. I am not all that smart
  2. I submit to God and His ways **(1 Peter 5:5-6 NKJ)**
- Solomon's example
  1. Could have been an arrogant man
  2. He recognized his need for help **(1 Kings 3:7-9 NKJ)**
  3. His request pleased God **(1 Kings 3:10-13 NKJ) (Proverbs 3:13 & 16 NKJ)**