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Get
Understanding
Chapter 1 - With All Your Getting, Get Understanding

Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting GET UNDERSTANDING.

Proverbs 4:7

Getting understanding is not the same as getting a breakthrough. It is certainly not an instant solution. But understanding will lead you to the solution. Wisdom is most useful for direction.
When you have wisdom and understanding, you will be a different kind of woman.

Women who give themselves to reading are people of understanding. People who bother to go to university are people of understanding. In the natural, such people have an easier life.

When you thoroughly understand the cause of a problem you are better able to solve it. That is why medical doctors spend so much time trying to diagnose problems. Understanding the problem is often 80% of the solution.

Do you want an easier life? Then get understanding. Make the effort to understand the curse of the Garden of Eden. Understand the root cause of all frustration.

In this book, you will learn about the frustrations of women. You will understand the things that hinder women. Through this understanding you will become a victorious woman. I cannot say anything greater than the Word of God. Get understanding! Get wisdom!

Chapter 2 - Where Frustration Came From

And the Lord God said unto the woman, What is this that thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent BEGUILED me, and I did eat. And the Lord God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life: And I will put ENMITY between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel. Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy SORROW and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth CHILDREN; and thy DESIRE shall be to thy HUSBAND, and he shall RULE over thee.

Genesis 3:13-16

Women have often been treated as second-class human beings. They have been ridiculed and degraded and used as mere objects of pleasure. I believe that a new day is dawning for the woman who knows God.

A day of promotion and of betterment is coming! Women no longer have to occupy the second place or even the back seat. They must occupy their God-given positions.

There are many frustrations in this world and women are not exempted from them. Every woman will live to fight these battles. But there is a way out of the many frustrations that face women today.

The frustrations of a woman are well described in the curse pronounced on Eve in the Garden of Eden. Understanding these problems is the first step to overcoming them.

Always remember that diagnoses solves 80% of your problems. These curses are
the most plausible explanation of the state of women.

Chapter 3 - Seven Hindrances of Women

1. Deception

Women are more susceptible to deception.

And the LORD God said unto the woman, What is this that thou hast done? And the woman said, THE SERPENT BEGUILED ME, and I did eat.

Genesis 3:13

“Deception” is believing in something that is not true. Many quarrels come about through deception. The Apostle Paul used this point (of the woman often being deceived) to emphasize why they are not to be in leadership.

Let the woman learn in silence with all subjection.

But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence.

For (because) Adam was first formed, then Eve.

And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression.

1 Timothy 2:11-14

The deception of Eve reveals much about the state of women. They more easily believe and they are more easily deceived. Every woman must in humility accept this fact of being more easily deceived.

This reality can be confusing since they also easily believe in the right thing.

It is truly amazing that those who more easily receive and believe are also more easily deceived. Many women are more spiritual than their husbands. They believe in God and flow with the Spirit much more quickly. It is difficult to see how such spiritual beings could also be open to deception.

Accepting this reality in humility will attract the grace of God to your life.

God will save you from deception and keep you on the path of righteousness.

2. Satan’s enmity for women

Satan hates women. The devil is working to destroy the entire human race, but there is a special hatred he has for women. The Word of God shows us that women are special targets of Satan.

And I will put ENMITY between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

Genesis 3:15
This reality explains why women seem to have more problems than men do. They are the special targets of evil spirits. It explains why the plight of women is often so pathetic. It explains the reason for countless women’s groups and movements.

There is indeed a special onslaught of the enemy on women. This is why women must be spiritual. Every wise woman will develop herself spiritually. To do this, she must study the Bible, read Christian books and listen to tapes.

3. The curse of desiring husbands who will dominate them

Many of the problems that women have are related to finding husbands and keeping them. In the church, a large percentage of women’s problems are related to this. Marriage, although celebrated in grand style is actually described as a kind of curse in the book of Genesis, chapter three.

…and thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee.

*Genesis 3:16*

The desire for husbands is one of the most devastating curses and frustrations unleashed on women. Even the most independent women come to the place where they want a man. Older women, who are unable to give birth anymore, still want to be married. Indeed, a close analysis of the situation will only show the workings of a curse. This curse is circumvented by the power and the wisdom of God.

4. Multiplied sorrow

…I will GREATLY MULTIPLY THY SORROW and thy conception; IN SORROW THOU SHALT BRING FORTH CHILDREN…

*Genesis 3:16*

Women have brought forth the children of this world in sorrow. The huge gynaecological blocks in most hospitals testify to the sorrows of women. The sorrows begin as they try to get pregnant. The sorrows continue through the pregnancy.

Some women lose their health during pregnancy and others lose their beauty. Some die through pregnancy while others permanently lose their attractiveness or even their husbands.

The price is high but they pay it over and over again. After the pregnancy, the struggles and sorrows continue in the bringing up of children. Through wisdom you will overcome these challenges. The wisdom of medical science has made it possible to have children without so many problems.

5. The sinful nature

The flesh is the carnal nature within every human being. To be carnally minded is death. And he that sows to the flesh reaps corruption.

Many women’s lives have been corrupted because they have followed the flesh
and the mind. This reality compounds the problems of every woman.

You will never follow your flesh when you understand the Word of God. The power of God will help you overcome the weakness that is in your flesh.

…To be carnally minded is death…

**Romans 8:6**

6. The weakness

Women are described as the weaker vessels.

…giving honour unto the wife, as unto the **WEAKER VESSEL**…

**1 Peter 3:7**

A weaker fishing trawler cannot be compared to the might of a nuclear-powered aircraft carrier. The weaker ship is more easily tossed about by every storm or situation. This weakness is the cause of many unplanned emotional excursions by women.

The world of women is characterised by detours of swirling, twirling, weaving and spinning currents of emotions, quarrels and instability. The varied mood swings and temperament nature of women usually makes them unsuitable for steady leadership.

This is why the Bible is so clear about who is the head in the family and in the church. The Apostle Paul was stronger on this issue than on any other. Paul asserted that if anyone was spiritual, he would acknowledge this reality about women.

Let your women keep silence in the churches: for it is not permitted unto them to speak; but they are commanded to be under obedience, as also saith the law. And if they will learn any thing, let them ask their husbands at home: for it is a shame for women to speak in the church. What? came the word of God out from you? or came it unto you only? If any man think himself to be a prophet, or spiritual, LET HIM ACKNOWLEDGE that the things that I write unto you are THE COMMANDMENTS OF THE LORD.

**1 Corinthians 14:34-37**

7. The unkindness of men

Generally speaking, men are stronger and more domineering. Most men operating from a heart of flesh do not treat women kindly. The wickedness of men operating with the nature of Satan is like the last nail on the coffin.

The need for women’s groups which champion women’s rights is obvious. Ultimately, it is the Lord who will be the lifter of your head if you are a woman.

**Chapter 4 - The Woman’s Keys**
Women do not have to live a life of unhappiness, depression and misery just because of the curse. It is not true that women are hopelessly condemned to a state of unhappiness because of the Adamic curse.

Yes, it is true that the curse explains a lot to us. But there is hope! The good news is that a woman with direction can gain the mastery over the frustrations she finds in this world.

The Keys

There are two keys that make a woman gain the mastery over these difficulties - the power of God and the wisdom of God.

…Christ the POWER of God, and the WISDOM of God.

1 Corinthians 1:24

These two ingredients (power and wisdom) are available to every Christian woman. A woman with direction employs both the power and the wisdom to overcome every arrow that is thrown at her.

The Key of Wisdom

You need wisdom to be a woman with direction. The Bible teaches that wisdom is profitable to direct.

…but wisdom is profitable to direct.

Ecclesiastes 10:10

A lot of the problems that confront women cannot be overcome with brute strength. They must be surmounted by the use of wisdom. Unless God intervenes, many of the conditions that face women have no natural solutions. However, the Bible teaches us that wisdom is the key to solving impossible situations.

We can overcome every hopeless situation by the wisdom of God. Read this part carefully!

The Impossible War

The Bible teaches about a city, which faced an impossible war. This was a small town with a few people in it. The town was surrounded by an enemy who set up a great array of armoured vehicles and artillery. Everyone knew that it was just a matter of time before they would all be killed.

But a solution came from an unexpected source. There was a poor wise man who came up with some ideas that delivered the entire city. He did not deliver the city by strength or by any military skills. He delivered the city by wisdom.

There was a little city, and few men within it; and there came a great king against it, and besieged it, and built great bulwarks against it: Now there was found in it a poor wise man, and HE BY HIS WISDOM delivered the city…
Ecclesiastics 9:14-15

Many women’s lives are like that desperate city that faced a hopeless battle. I say this because I am a pastor and I see it all the time. I know that many ladies’ lives are like this little town which had no way forward.

Several women are married to men who mistreat them, mishandle them and are unfaithful to them! They live a life of constant quarrelling and unhappiness. It looks as if there is no way forward in their situation. They often have only two options: divorce or a life of misery. Many women just exist in their marriages until they die!

On the other hand, there are many women who desire to marry. Their birthdays are almost like days of mourning. As they grow older, their hope of getting married diminishes.

There are also many women who seek to have children. They try everything, but still there is no child. As the days go by, they become gloomier and gloomier. What can be done about these intractable problems? Today, I present you with a fresh ray of hope for your situation.

Wisdom is the way forward. Wisdom is profitable for direction.

… but wisdom is profitable to direct

Ecclesiastics 10:10

I want you to be a woman with direction. How can you be a woman with direction? The Bible says wisdom is profitable for direction. God will direct you out of every difficult situation. Just as that man delivered the city from destruction, your entire life is going to be rescued by the wisdom of the Lord.

Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore GET WISDOM: and with all thy getting get understanding. Exalt her, and she shall promote thee: she shall bring thee to honour, when thou dost embrace her.

Proverbs 4:7,8

The Scripture we have just read says that we should exalt and embrace wisdom in our lives. To embrace means to hold tightly. I want you to hold tight onto this book until you finish reading it. Then I want you to read it again. I want you to read it until the wisdom that is contained in these pages is transferred into your heart.

The solutions to the multitude of intractable problems that face women are dealt with in the Word of God. A woman with direction is a woman who gets hold of wisdom and doesn’t put it down.

How to Get Wisdom

1. Pray for Wisdom.

If any of you lack wisdom, LET HIM ASK OF GOD, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him.

James 1:5
2. Study the Word.

In Him are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. The closer you get to God, the more wisdom you will have.

In whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

Colossians 2:3

The Power

The power of God is the grace of God. God’s grace is sufficient for every situation. God will lift you up by His power. There are some things that God wants to do for you. How can you get this grace that you need? The answer is humility. Humble yourself in the sight of the Lord, and He will lift you up. …for God…giveth grace to the humble.

1 Peter 5:5

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