

“I was the architect at his side. I was his constant delight, rejoicing always in his presence.” Proverbs 8:30 NLT

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This beautiful soliloquy highlights the personification of wisdom found in the character of Christ. “I was born before the oceans were created, before the springs bubbled forth their waters. Before the mountains were formed, before the hills, I was born— before he had made the earth and fields and the first handfuls of soil.” Then this phrase, “I was there!” Of course Christ was not “born” at the foundation of the earth being formed and neither was wisdom. It’s this amazingly ancient view of wisdom being a co-founder of all that exists. So, getting to know her, learning from her, and embracing all that she is becomes critical in building a long lasting legacy in your life. This so powerfully poetic! The embodiment of wisdom relationally active in our lives. Yes please.

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Dad,

These words are so beautiful, so applicable to the life that I want to live and be known for living. Sure, I want to be fun, playful and not serious in every moment of my life. But I don’t know if wisdom has to be soured, crabby or unapproachable either. I see wisdom actively lived out in Jesus. I read how he treated people, especially those who were outliers and on the fringe of social circles. There was such tenderness, respect and honor in how he interacted with them. This is how I see wisdom - behaving like Jesus. All the power and knowledge of God kneeling before a child or drinking from the cup of an outcast. Thank you for your wisdom exemplified in him!

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rest in the presence of God, allowing the words revealed to take root