

A MAN OF WISDOM?

A number of people have called me a man of wisdom. Friends, I am not! And I am not trying to be humble about this. In fact, when I was young, my mother even told me, "Anak, hindi ka matalino, diligent lang." Today, I wish to explain why some people think of me this way because I also want people to think of you in the same way.

Let me ask you, when do you call a person wise? Diba it is when he teaches you something that worked for him? When he's able to share with you ways to solve your problems that help you gain success? In my case, what unique and new principles have I taught you? Karamihan ng prinsipyo ko galing lang sa Bible, so they are not mine but the Lord's.

Alam n'yo tama ang nanay ko nang sabihin niyang I am not an intelligent person, diligent lang. Up to now, it takes me a long time to understand the Word of God. So to compensate for this, I would read and reread it. I would also analyze and ponder over it, and I would try to find the reasons why and how it would benefit me. After I have done this, I would then obey what I've learned! Thus, I am not a wise person, I am just obedient.

Joshua 1:8 explains why some of you see me as wise. It says that if you meditate on God's Word daily and obey it diligently, you will make your ways prosperous and you will have success. Unfortunately, most people only see the Bible as a spiritual book, so they do not read it as often as they should. Ako naman, I see it as an instruction manual, that is why I immerse myself in it. Some say the Bible is short for Basic Instruction Before Leaving Earth, para sa akin it means Basic Instructions By which to Live on Earth.

My friends, I am not wise, just obedient. The success you see in me is the Word of God applied. I have been reading the Bible from cover to cover for the past 20 years, and it has brought many good things to me and into the life of my family. So my desire is for all of you to experience success in every way, para when people see you, they will also say that you are a person full of wisdom. But true wisdom comes only from the Lord and only obedience unleashes its power. But you will find that it is difficult to obey if you are first not intimate with Him. So get to know Him better. Read His words and obey His ways, so that you may benefit from the wisdom of the Lord!