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Everyday Wisdom | Proverbs 3:13-35

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9 The Lord God made all kinds of trees grow out of the ground—trees that were pleasing to the eye and good for food. In the middle of the garden were the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. [...] 16 And the Lord God commanded the man, “You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; 17 but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat from it you will certainly die.”

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Genesis 2:9, 16-17 (NIV)

22 And the Lord God said, “The man has now become like one of us, knowing good and evil. He must not be allowed to reach out his hand and take also from the tree of life and eat, and live forever.” [...] 24 After he drove the man out, he placed on the east side of the Garden of Eden cherubim and a flaming sword flashing back and forth to guard the way to the tree of life.

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Genesis 3:22, 24 (NIV)

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(v32-35, 19-20)

22 “The Lord brought me forth as the first of his works,  
before his deeds of old;  
23 I was formed long ages ago,  
at the very beginning, when the world came to be.  
24 When there were no watery depths, I was given birth,  
when there were no springs overflowing with water;  
25 before the mountains were settled in place,  
before the hills, I was given birth,

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Proverbs 8:22-31 (NIV)

26 before he made the world or its fields  
or any of the dust of the earth.

27 I was there when he set the heavens in place,  
when he marked out the horizon on the face of the  
deep,

28 when he established the clouds above  
and fixed securely the fountains of the deep,

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Proverbs 8:22-31 (NIV)

29 when he gave the sea its boundary  
so the waters would not overstep his command,  
and when he marked out the foundations of the earth.  
30 Then I was constantly at his side.  
I was filled with delight day after day,  
rejoicing always in his presence,  
31 rejoicing in his whole world  
and delighting in mankind.

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Proverbs 8:22-31 (NIV)

The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. 16 For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. 17 He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. (NIV)

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Colossians 1:15-17 (NIV)

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, as clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb 2 down the middle of the great street of the city. On each side of the river stood the tree of life, bearing twelve crops of fruit, yielding its fruit every month. And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations.

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Revelation 22:1-2 (NIV)

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