

**A READING FROM THE BOOK OF PROVERBS 4:5-8**

Get wisdom; get insight: do not forget, nor turn away from the words of my mouth. Do not forsake her, and she will keep you; love her, and she will guard you. The beginning of wisdom is this: Get wisdom, and whatever else you get, get insight. Prize her highly, and she will exalt you; she will honor you if you embrace her.

*The Word of the Lord.*

## **PSALM 19**

<sup>1</sup> The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament shows his handiwork.

<sup>2</sup> One day tells its tale to another, and one night imparts knowledge to another.

<sup>3</sup> Although they have no words or language, and their voices are not heard,

<sup>4</sup> Their sound has gone out into all lands, and their message to the ends of the world.

<sup>5</sup> In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its course.

<sup>6</sup> It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; nothing is hidden from its burning heat.

<sup>6</sup> He does not give his money in hope of gain, nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.

<sup>7</sup> Whoever does these things shall never be overthrown.