

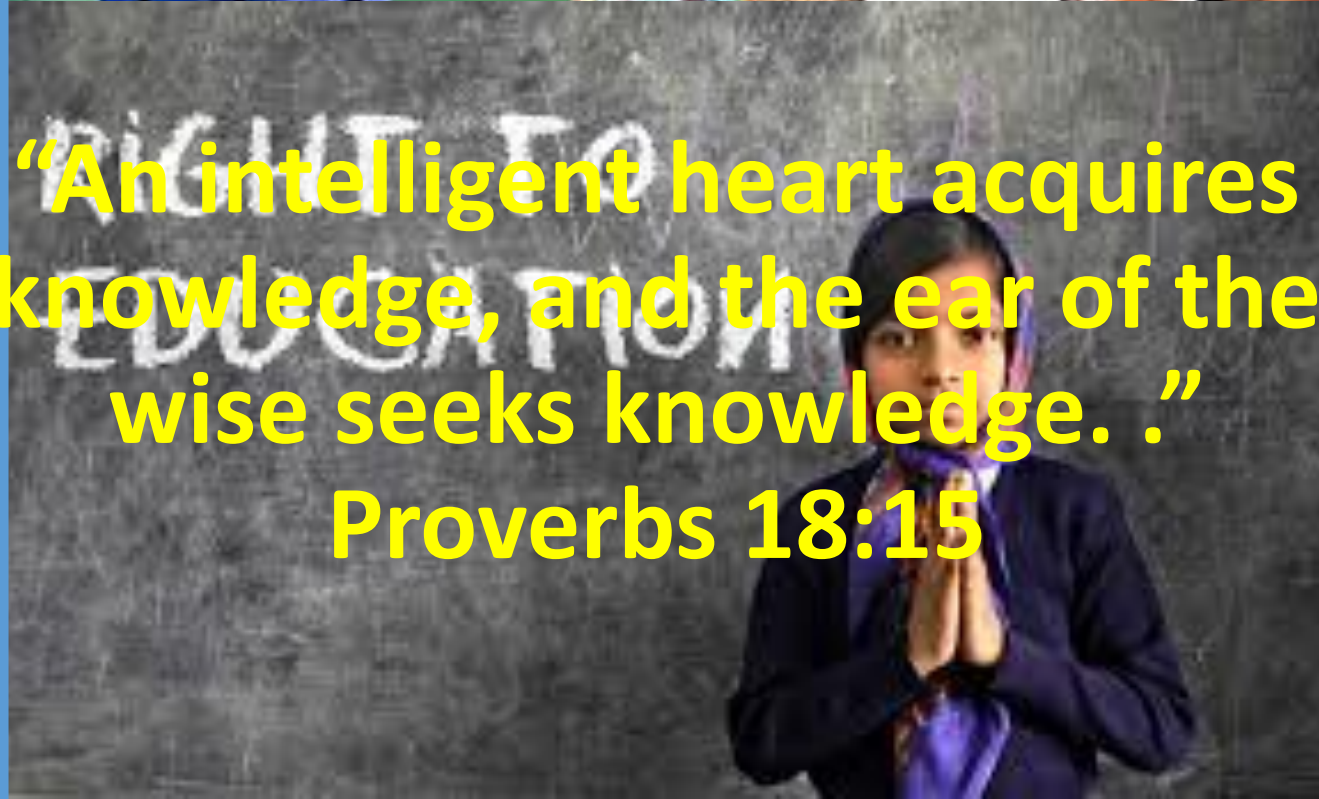
The Right to an Education

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“An intelligent heart acquires knowledge, and the ear of the wise seeks knowledge. .”

Proverbs 18:15



“Apply your heart to instruction and your ear to words of knowledge.” Proverbs 23:12



Think about things that you are doing at the moment that require an education. Think about:

- Keeping up with your home study
- Being a good independent learner
- Being able to understand all the guidance, rules and information about lockdown and covid19
- Researching new things

Why is education so important?



-‘Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.’ (Nelson Mandela)

1. **For a happy and stable life**
2. **Money** – helps you get a high paying job
3. **Equality** - do away with the existing differences between different social classes and genders.
4. **Makes you self dependent**
5. **Turns your dreams into reality**
6. **Makes the world a safer and more peaceful place**
7. **Makes you confident**
8. **Society** - education helps you become a useful member of the society.
9. **For economic growth of the nation**
10. **Saves you from being fooled/cheated**

*- 'It has always seemed strange to me that in our endless discussions about education, so little stress is laid on the pleasure of becoming an educated person, the enormous interest it adds to life. To be able to be caught up into the world of thought – that is to be educated.'
(Edith Hamilton)*

*Questions:
But what if education wasn't available as is the case in so many poor countries?
How would this affect everyone?*

What is utopia? What does it mean?

Can we ever strive for an utopian world?



‘Why do you
have to come
to school?’

Why is this an important question at the
moment?

The Parable of the wise and foolish builders— MATTHEW 7 24:27

The parable of the two builders

Jesus said to the crowds gathered, "The foolish man built his house upon the sand. The rains fell and the floods came and the winds blew and the house built on the sand fell. The wise man built his house upon the rock. The rains fell and the floods came and the winds blew but the house did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock. Those that do the will of God will be like the wise man and enter the kingdom of Heaven."



How does this story show the importance of an education?

Is it fair that your place in school is paid by tax payer's money and costs over £4000 per year? When these pictures tell a different story.....



Many thousands of people have to abandon their homes to flee conflict.



More than 836 million people still live in extreme poverty. Education is sometimes an after-thought



About one in five people live on less than £1 per day.

Many children would love the opportunity to live in peace. Many children would love the opportunity to learn and be educated.



When a generation is educated, it is better equipped to care for the next generation.

A prayer for reflection

Dear God,

Thank you for those who inspire us to be the best that we can be.

Thank you that education has no age limit and no matter what our age,
we are always learning.

Thank you for all the opportunities we have to learn;
thank you to those that educate us.

Help us to make the most of these, to be focused, work hard and reach our goals.

Amen.