

The prayer for wisdom of King Solomon (Wisdom 9)

God of my fathers, and Lord of mercy, who hast made all things with thy word,
And by thy wisdom hast appointed man, that he should have dominion over the creature that was made by thee,
That he should order the world according to equity and justice, and execute justice with an upright heart:
Give me wisdom, that sitteth by thy throne, and cast me not off from among thy children:
For I am thy servant, and the son of thy handmaid, a weak man, and of short time, and falling short of the understanding of judgment and laws.
For if one be perfect among the children of men, yet if thy wisdom be not with him, he shall be nothing regarded.

And thy wisdom with thee, which knoweth thy works, which then also was present when thou madest the world, and knew what was agreeable to thy eyes, and what was right in thy commandments.

Send her out of thy holy heaven, and from the throne of thy majesty, that she may be with me, and may labour with me, that I may know what is acceptable with thee:
For she knoweth and understandeth all things, and shall lead me soberly in my works, and shall preserve me by her power.
So shall my works be acceptable, and I shall govern thy people justly, and shall be worthy of the throne of my father.