

Sermon Scripture Passage: Proverbs 9:1-10 13-18

1 Wisdom has built her house; she has hewn her seven pillars.

2 She has slaughtered her beasts; she has mixed her wine; she has also set her table.

3 She has sent out her young women to call from the highest places in the town,

4 "Whoever is simple, let him turn in here!" To him who lacks sense she says,

5 "Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed.

6 Leave your simple ways, and live, and walk in the way of insight."

7 Whoever corrects a scoffer gets himself abuse, and he who reproves a wicked man incurs injury.

8 Do not reprove a scoffer, or he will hate you; reprove a wise man, and he will love you.

9 Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be still wiser;

teach a righteous man, and he will increase in learning.

10 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom,
and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight.

13 The woman Folly is loud; she is seductive and knows nothing.

14 She sits at the door of her house; she takes a seat on the highest places of the town,

15 calling to those who pass by, who are going straight on their way,

16 "Whoever is simple, let him turn in here!" And to him who lacks sense she says,

17 "Stolen water is sweet, and bread eaten in secret is pleasant."

18 But he does not know that the dead are there, that her guests are in the depths of Sheol.

History of Israel:

Psalm 100:1-3 – Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness!
Come into his presence with singing!

3 Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Job 1:20-22 – 20 Then Job arose and tore his robe and shaved his head and fell on the ground and worshiped. 21 And he said, "Naked I came from my mother's womb, and naked shall I return. The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord."
22 In all this Job did not sin or charge God with wrong.

Ecclesiastes 5:10 – He who loves money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who loves wealth with his income; this also is vanity.

Song of Solomon 8:4, 6 – O daughters of Jerusalem, I adjure you: Do not arouse or awaken love until the time is right.

6 Place me like a seal over your heart, like a seal on your arm; for love is as strong as death,
its jealousy unyielding as the grave. It burns like blazing fire, like a mighty flame.

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The Big Story: A Lamp to My Feet #7 – The Wisdom Literature – Lady Wisdom Calls

Main Point: The Bible offers wisdom for life for the _____ and all who heed its call.

Wisdom Literature is one _____ of the OT Bible, as well as the Law, History, and Prophets.

Psalms: Prayers and _____ of worship written as poems rather than prose

Job: A _____ exploration about how to understand and face suffering.

Ecclesiastes: A reflection seeking to understand the _____ and purpose in life.

Song of Solomon: A collection of love poems expressing the joy of physical _____

Proverbs: Long passages that celebrate wisdom and discrete short _____ statements

Proverbs 9 – Both Wisdom and Folly are personified as a _____ calling out to passersby.

Wisdom is offering a _____ and sends out servants to call people into it.

The simple are invited to come to “ _____ and _____ in the way of insight.”

How would you compare this passage to the Parable of the Banquet in Luke 14?

Why does it tell us to not correct a scoffer?

The beginning of knowing God is to recognize you do not have life _____ out.

Lady Folly is described as _____, _____, and knows _____.

What is her alternative to the banquet that wisdom offers?

Her guests are in the depths of Sheol, which means the _____.

Can you name a 1970's rock song that has a similar theme?

Proverbs 14:12 – *There is a way that seems right to a man, but its end is the way to _____.*

Do this today: Take Stock Evaluate the Voices Ask the Lord Directly

Answers for the blanks:

- Simple
- Genre
- Songs
- Philosophical
- Meaning
- Attraction
- Insightful
- Woman
- Banquet
- Live and walk
- Figured
- Loud, seductive and knows nothing
- Grave
- Death

Can you name a 1970's rock song that has a similar theme?

Hotel California:

Last thing I remember, I was
Running for the door
I had to find the passage back
To the place I was before
"Relax, " said the night man
"We are programmed to receive
You can check out any time you like
But you can never leave"