

4. PROVERBS 1:20-33. WISDOM'S CRY!

1. Who is speaking where?

Proverbs 1:20-33 Wisdom crieth without; she uttereth her voice in the streets: ²¹ She crieth in the chief place of concourse, in the openings of the gates: in the city she uttereth her words, *saying*,

- Wisdom is _____. A woman.
_____ her with the strange and foolish women in Proverbs!
(chpt 5-9. Also Rev 18-19)
_____ her with the virtuous woman in Proverbs 31.
- Note Paul's statements regarding Jesus and wisdom.

1 Corinthians 1:30 But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption:

Colossians 2:3 In whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

Colossians 3:16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

- Wisdom is _____. In the place of _____ (concourse) and _____ (gates.) Everywhere people are is an opportunity hear what wisdom has to say.
- **Prayer**, praises and requests. We need to hear. We need wisdom from the Word of God. Church! Bride! We need to be that woman – speaking the wisdom; the Word of God.
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2. Who is she speaking to?

²² How long, ye simple ones, will ye love simplicity? And the scorers delight in their scorning, and fools hate knowledge?

- **Simple.** *A simpleton. They don't _____.*
They don't care to know. They are easily deceived.

Proverbs 7:7 And beheld among the simple ones, I discerned among the youths, a young man void of understanding,

Proverbs 27:12 A prudent *man* foreseeth the evil, *and* hideth himself; *but* the simple pass on, *and* are punished.

Romans 16:18 For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly; and by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple.

The simple need to be clued in by The WORD of GOD.

Psalms 19:7 The law of the LORD *is* perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the LORD *is* sure, making wise the simple.

Psalms 119:130 The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple.

Proverbs 1:4 To give subtilty to the simple, to the young man knowledge and discretion.

- **Scorner.** *They don't _____.*
They sneer at truth and refuse to hear it. They love to argue.

Proverbs 15:12 A scorner loveth not one that reproveth him: neither will he go unto the wise.

Proverbs 13:1 A wise son *heareth* his father's instruction: but a scorner heareth not rebuke.

Proverbs 9:8 Reprove not a scorner, lest he hate thee: rebuke a wise man, and he will love thee.

You can't work with a scorner. Their only use is as an example to others!

Proverbs 22:10 Cast out the scorner, and contention shall go out; yea, strife and reproach shall cease.

Proverbs 19:25 Smite a scorner, and the simple will beware: and reprove one that hath understanding, *and* he will understand knowledge.

- **Fool.** They _____ the truth.

They see God and His Word for all that They are – yet they deny Him and refuse His Word.

Proverbs 1:7 The fear of the LORD *is* the beginning of knowledge: *but* fools despise wisdom and instruction.

Psalms 14:1 The fool hath said in his heart, *There is* no God. They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, *there is* none that doeth good.

They despise the truth of God.

Romans 1:21-23 Because that, when they knew God, they glorified *him* not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. ²² Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools, ²³ And changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things.

Jeremiah 8:9 The wise *men* are ashamed, they are dismayed and taken: lo, they have rejected the word of the LORD; and what wisdom *is* in them?

They _____ God's Word.

1 Samuel 13:13 And Samuel said to Saul, Thou hast done foolishly: thou hast not kept the commandment of the LORD thy God, which he commanded thee: for now would the LORD have established thy kingdom upon Israel for ever.

Proverbs 14:7 Go from the presence of a foolish man, when thou perceivest not *in him* the lips of knowledge.

Proverbs 14:8 The wisdom of the prudent *is* to understand his way: but the folly of fools *is* deceit.

Proverbs 14:9 Fools make a mock at sin: but among the righteous *there is* favour.

3. What is she saying? What is the problem?

²² How long, ye simple ones, will ye love simplicity? and the scorners delight in their scorning, and fools hate knowledge? ²³ Turn you at my reproof: behold, I will pour out my spirit unto you, I will make known my words unto you. ²⁴ Because I have called, and ye refused; I have stretched out my hand, and no man regarded; ²⁵ But ye have set at nought all my counsel, and would none of my reproof:

- **Vs 23. Repentance.**

NOTE: Repentance _____ conversion. "Turn you"

- **Vs 23. Promise.**

John 14:26 But the Comforter, *which is* the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

Ephesians 5:15-20 See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, ¹⁶ Redeeming the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷ Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord *is*.

¹⁸ And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit; ¹⁹ Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord; ²⁰ Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ;

Colossians 3:16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

- **Vs 24: Rebellion.** See also vs 29-30.

- **Prayer:** We need to hear and receive the Word of God. We need to be true disciples. We have people that need to hear the Truth, the Gospel and repent. Pray for salvations. Thank God for the promise of His Word and the filling and leading of His Spirit.

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4. What is her warning?

- Because you did not listen to God's Wisdom, then you'll get no help from her in the day of your calamity.

²⁶ I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when your fear cometh; ²⁷ When your fear cometh as desolation, and your destruction cometh as a whirlwind; when distress and anguish cometh upon you.

²⁸ Then shall they call upon me, but I will not answer; they shall seek me early, but they shall not find me:

- No one can _____ the law of sowing and reaping.

Galatians 6:7-8 Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.

⁸ For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting.

Hebrews 12:16-17 Lest there *be* any fornicator, or profane person, as Esau, who for one morsel of meat sold his birthright. ¹⁷ For ye know how that afterward, when he would have inherited the blessing, he was rejected: for he found no place of repentance, though he sought it carefully with tears.

Psalms 59:8 But thou, O LORD, shalt laugh at them; thou shalt have all the heathen in derision.

- Hell is real. Luke 16:19-26
- Counselors: understand the _____. **2 Timothy 2:24-26**

²⁹ For that they hated knowledge, and did not choose the fear of the LORD: ³⁰ They would none of my counsel: they despised all my reproof.

³¹ Therefore shall they eat of the fruit of their own way, and be filled with their own devices. ³² For the turning away of the simple shall slay them, and the prosperity of fools shall destroy them.

- God's ways are not as man's ways. Man's ways lead to death.

Proverbs 14:12 There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof *are* the ways of death.

Wisdom is _____, but the simple, the scorner and the fool _____.

- Their own devices: the simple won't learn so they suffer. The fools think they can get away with rebellion because it works for them in the moment.
The lure of the lost holds a hook that will never drag you back to God. Compare **Psalms 73**

5. What is her promise?

³³ But whoso hearkeneth unto me shall dwell safely, and shall be quiet from fear of evil.

Proverbs 22:3 A prudent *man* foreseeeth the evil, and hideth himself: but the simple pass on, and are punished.

Proverbs 18:10 The name of the LORD *is* a strong tower: the righteous runneth into it, and is safe.

- **Prayer:** for God to open the eyes of those that are outside Wisdom's will.
- For safety and quiet for those that following Wisdom's call.
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