

Proverbs: Navigating The Book Of Wisdom 3
The Way Of Wisdom
Proverbs 1:20-33

Introduction

Wisdom: Knowing & doing what is right.
Not just knowing but making correct use of.
True wisdom will bring knowledge & reverence to for God
God's Wisdom: Scripture

I. Wisdoms Plea

(v.20-25)

A. The Person Of Wisdom

(v.20-22)

1. She Is Not Hidden

(v.20)

(Proverbs 1:20) *Wisdom crieth without; she uttereth her voice in the streets:*

2. She Is Not Hushed

(v.21)

(21) *She crieth in the chief place of concourse, in the openings of the gates: in the city she uttereth her words, saying,*

3. She Is Not Hindsighted

(v.22)

(22) *How long, ye simple ones, will ye love simplicity? and the scornors delight in their scornings, and fools hate knowledge?*

3 Groups Addressed:

a. The Simple

open to good influences, but too open to those who influence for evil
"Don't be so open minded your brains fall out!"

b. The Scornor

Hebrew: *lets* despises that which is Godly & takes pride in his own evil works

c. The Fool

Hebrew: *kesilim* = stupid people who are totally confident in their own wisdom.

B. The Pursuit Of Wisdom

(v.23-25)

1. Her Reward

(v.23)

(23) *Turn you at my reproof: behold, I will pour out my spirit unto you, I will make known my words unto you.*

2. Her Rejection

(v.24)

(24) *Because I have called, and ye refused; I have stretched out my hand, and no man regarded;*

3. Her Resolution

(v.25)

(25) *But ye have set at nought all my counsel, and would none of my reproof:*

II. Wisdoms Price

(v.26-33)

A. The Punishment Of Wisdom

(v.26-30)

1. Laughter Of The Wise

(v.26)

(26) *I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when your fear cometh;*

2. Fear Of The Fool

(v.27)

(27) *When your fear cometh as desolation, and your destruction cometh as a whirlwind; when distress and anguish cometh upon you.*

3. Hard Hearing Of The Wise

(v.28)

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

4. Hate Of The Fool

(v.29)

(29) *For that they hated knowledge, and did not choose the fear of the LORD:*

5. Bad Choices Of The Fool

(v.30)

(30) *They would none of my counsel: they despised all my reproof.*

B. The Power Of Wisdom

(v.31-33)

1. Some Will Get What They Deserve

(v.31)

(31) *Therefore shall they eat of the fruit of their own way, and be filled with their own devices.*

2. Some Will Get What They Desire

(v.32)

(32) *For the turning away of the simple shall slay them, and the prosperity of fools shall destroy them.*

3. Some Will Get What They Don't Deserve

(v.33)

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

Conclusion