

Daily Wisdom
Proverbs 9 – Chose Wisely
January 9, 2022

Daily Wisdom Challenge over the next 31 days:

Level 1: For the next 31 days, I will read one chapter of the book of Proverbs every day.

Level 2: I will pick one verse from each chapter to commit to meditate on daily.

Level 3: I will not take the Daily Wisdom challenge alone. I will share my journey with others.

“The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge; but fools despise wisdom and instruction.”
(Proverbs 1:7)

1) Our past proves problematic.

“Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it.”
(Matthew 7:13-14 NIV)

For all have sinned and fall short of God’s glory. (Romans 3:23)

There is no one righteous, not even one. (Romans 3:10)

2) The gospel speaks to the real you in a new way.

But God demonstrates His own love for us in this; while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.
(Romans 5:8)

-Lady Wisdom offers you an invitation to life.

Wisdom has built her house; she has set up its seven pillars. She has prepared her meat and mixed her wine; she has also set her table. She has sent out her servants, and she calls from the highest point of the city, “Let all who are simple come to my house!” To those who have no sense she says, “Come, eat my food and drink the wine I have mixed.” (Proverbs 9:1-5)

The price of admission to Lady Wisdom’s feast is:

Leave your simple ways and you will live; walk in the way of insight. (Proverbs 9:6)

-Madam Folly offers YOU an invitation to DEATH.

Folly is an unruly woman; she is simple and knows nothing. She sits at the door of her house, on a seat at the highest point of the city, calling out to those who pass by, who go straight on their way, “Let all who are simple come to my house!” To those who have no sense she says, “Stolen water is sweet; food eaten in secret is delicious!” (Proverbs 9:13-17 NIV)

But little do they know that the dead are there, that her guests are deep in the realm of the dead.
(Proverbs 9:18)

Whoever corrects a mocker invites insults; whoever rebukes the wicked incurs abuse. Do not rebuke a mocker, or they will hate you; rebuke the wise and they will love you. Instruct the wise and they will be wiser still; teach the righteous and they will add to their learning...For through wisdom your days will be many, and years will be added to your life. If you are wise, your wisdom will reward you, if you are a mocker, you alone will suffer. (Proverbs 9:7-12)

The wise person also understands the **principle of the path**.

Your direction will determine your destination.

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight. (Proverbs 9:10)

The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately sick; who can understand it? (Jeremiah 17:9 NASB)

“Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance.” (Luke 5:31-32)

“Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live.” (Isaiah 55:1-3)