

# **The Practice Of Wisdom**

## **Proverbs 6**

**Wisdom only works when used.**

### **A. Sound Business Practices (6:1-11)**

#### **1. Do not get entangled (6:1-5)**

**a. In things in which you have no liability (vv 1-2)**

**b. Take quick action to get out of bad “deals”**

**(vv 3-5)**

#### **2. Do not be lazy (vv 6-11)**

**a. Consider the ant (vv 6-8)**

**b. Consider your condition (vv 9-11)**

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### **B. Sound Spiritual Practices (6:12-23)**

- 1. Do not be perverse (6:12-15)**
- 2. Hate what God hates (6:16-19)**
- 3. Follow God's commmandments (6:20-23)**

### **C. Sound Moral Practices (6:24-35)**

- 1. Avoid open immorality (6:24-26)**
- 2. Avoid secret immorality (6:27-31)**
- 3. Acknowledge the consequences of immorality (6:32-35)**

## **Proverbs 3:21**

**My son, let not them depart from  
thine eyes: keep sound wisdom and  
discretion:**

# **Remembering Wisdom**

## **Proverbs 7**

**The lessons of wisdom must be constantly remembered.**

# **I. Invitation to Retain Wisdom (7:1-5)**

## **Proverbs 7:1-5**

**1 My son, keep my words, and lay up my commandments with thee.**

**2 Keep my commandments, and live; and my law as the apple of thine eye.**

**3 Bind them upon thy fingers, write them upon the table of thine heart.**

**4 Say unto wisdom, Thou art my sister; and call understanding thy kinswoman:**

**5 That they may keep thee from the strange woman, from the stranger which flattereth with her words.**

# **I. Invitation to Retain Wisdom (7:1-5)**

**A. The request does not change (v 1)**

**B. The resolve must not change (vv 2-3)**

**C. The reply cannot change (v 4)**

**D. The result will not change (v 5)**

## **II. Implications of Refusing Wisdom (7:6-23)**

### **A. In the wrong place at the wrong time (7:6-9)**

**Proverbs 7:6-9**

**6 For at the window of my house I looked through my casement,**

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

**8 Passing through the street near her corner; and he went the way to her house,**

**9 In the twilight, in the evening, in the black and dark night:**

## **II. Implications of Refusing Wisdom (7:6-23)**

### **B. Around the wrong people (7:10-12)**

#### **Proverbs 7:10-12**

**10 And, behold, there met him a woman with the attire of an harlot, and subtil of heart.**

**11 (She is loud and stubborn; her feet abide not in her house:**

**12 Now is she without, now in the streets, and lieth in wait at every corner.)**



## **II. Implications of Refusing Wisdom (7:6-23)**

### **C. Exposed to the wrong attraction (7:13-20)**

#### **Proverbs 7:13-20**

**13 So she caught him, and kissed him, and with an impudent face said unto him,**

**14 I have peace offerings with me; this day have I payed my vows.**

## **II. Implications of Refusing Wisdom (7:6-23)**

### **C. Exposed to the wrong attraction (7:13-20)**

**Proverbs 7:13-20 - continued**

**15 Therefore came I forth to meet thee, diligently to seek thy face, and I have found thee.**

**16 I have decked my bed with coverings of tapestry, with carved works, with fine linen of Egypt.**

**17 I have perfumed my bed with myrrh, aloes, and cinnamon.**

## **II. Implications of Refusing Wisdom (7:6-23)**

### **C. Exposed to the wrong attraction (7:13-20)**

**Proverbs 7:13-20 - continued**

**18 Come, let us take our fill of love until the morning:  
let us solace ourselves with loves.**

**19 For the goodman is not at home, he is gone a long  
journey:**

**20 He hath taken a bag of money with him, and will  
come home at the day appointed.**

## **II. Implications of Refusing Wisdom (7:6-23)**

### **D. Take the wrong action (7:21-23)**

#### **Proverbs 7:21-23**

**21 With her much fair speech she caused him to yield, with the flattering of her lips she forced him.**

**22 He goeth after her straightway, as an ox goeth to the slaughter, or as a fool to the correction of the stocks;**

**23 Till a dart strike through his liver; as a bird hasteth to the snare, and knoweth not that it is for his life.**

# **III. Imploring To Choose The Path of Wisdom**

**(7:24-27)**

**Proverbs 7:24-27**

**24 Harken unto me now therefore, O ye children, and attend to the words of my mouth.**

**25 Let not thine heart decline to her ways, go not astray in her paths.**

**26 For she hath cast down many wounded: yea, many strong men have been slain by her.**

**27 Her house is the way to hell, going down to the chambers of death.**

**A. Pay attention (v 24)**

**B. Protect your heart (v 25)**

**C. Perceive the dangers of going the wrong way  
(vv 26-27)**

## **John 8:12**

**Then spake Jesus again unto them,  
saying, I am the light of the world:  
he that followeth me shall not walk  
in darkness, but shall have the light  
of life.**