

A Tale Of Two Feasts

Proverbs 9

Wisdom is the ONLY choice

A. Communing With Wisdom (9:1-6)

1. In a house prepared (9:1)

John 14:3

2. To a banquet prepared (9:2)

3. A call conveyed (9:3-6)

a. Wisdom has emissaries (v 3)

b. A call for all (vv 4-5)

c. The necessities to heed the call (v 6)

4. Similarities to Luke 14:15-24

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B. Choices to Consider (9:7-12)

1. To speak wisely (9:7-9)

a. To those who will listen (vv 7-8)

b. To those who know their limitations (v 9)

2. To seek the God of wisdom (9:10-11)

3. To be wise (9:12)

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C. Communing With A Counterfeit (9:13-18)

1. False wisdom (9:13)

2. False honor (9:14)

3. False calling (9:15)

4. Fake promises (9:16-18)

a. Believed by the simple (v 16)

b. Belied by the prospects (v 17)

c. Beware of the consequence (v 18)

1 John 4:1

**Beloved, believe not every spirit,
but try the spirits whether they are
of God: because many false
prophets are gone out into the
world.**

Do You Want To Be Wise Or Foolish?

Proverbs 10

You are who you want to be

I. Determines Our Legacy (10:1)

Proverbs 10:1

The proverbs of Solomon. A wise son maketh a glad father: but a foolish son is the heaviness of his mother.

II. Demonstrated In Our Diligence (10:2-5)

Proverbs 10:2-5

2 Treasures of wickedness profit nothing: but righteousness delivereth from death.

3 The LORD will not suffer the soul of the righteous to famish: but he casteth away the substance of the wicked.

4 He becometh poor that dealeth with a slack hand: but the hand of the diligent maketh rich.

5 He that gathereth in summer is a wise son: but he that sleepeth in harvest is a son that causeth shame.

II. Demonstrated In Our Diligence (10:2-5)

A. In the treasures we work for

Matthew 12:35

**A good man out of the good treasure of the heart
bringeth forth good things: and an evil man out of the
evil treasure bringeth forth evil things.**

B. In the effort we exert for these treasures

Matthew 6:20-21

**20 But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where
neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves
do not break through nor steal:**

**21 For where your treasure is, there will your heart be
also.**

II. Demonstrated In Our Diligence (10:2-5)

C. True treasures are hid in Christ

Colossians 2:3

In whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

1 Corinthians 2:10

But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.

III. Demonstrated In Our Direction (10:6-10)

Proverbs 10:6-10

6 Blessings are upon the head of the just: but violence covereth the mouth of the wicked.

7 The memory of the just is blessed: but the name of the wicked shall rot.

8 The wise in heart will receive commandments: but a prating fool shall fall.

9 He that walketh uprightly walketh surely: but he that perverteth his ways shall be known.

10 He that winketh with the eye causeth sorrow: but a prating fool shall fall.

Colossians 4:5

**Walk in wisdom toward them that are without,
redeeming the time.**

IV. Demonstrated In Our Practices (10:11-21)

A. In speech (10:11-13)

Proverbs 10:11-13

11 The mouth of a righteous man is a well of life: but violence covereth the mouth of the wicked.

12 Hatred stirreth up strifes: but love covereth all sins.

13 In the lips of him that hath understanding wisdom is found: but a rod is for the back of him that is void of understanding.

IV. Demonstrated In Our Practices (10:11-21)

B. In attitude (10:14-15)

Proverbs 10:14-15

14 Wise men lay up knowledge: but the mouth of the foolish is near destruction.

15 The rich man's wealth is his strong city: the destruction of the poor is their poverty.

IV. Demonstrated In Our Practices (10:11-21)

C. In life (10:16-21)

Proverbs 10:16-21

16 The labour of the righteous tendeth to life: the fruit of the wicked to sin.

17 He is in the way of life that keepeth instruction: but he that refuseth reproof erreth.

18 He that hideth hatred with lying lips, and he that uttereth a slander, is a fool.

IV. Demonstrated In Our Practices (10:11-21)

C. In life (10:16-21)

Proverbs 10:16-21 - continued

19 In the multitude of words there wanteth not sin: but he that refraineth his lips is wise.

20 The tongue of the just is as choice silver: the heart of the wicked is little worth.

21 The lips of the righteous feed many: but fools die for want of wisdom.

V. Demonstrated In Our Results (10:22-26)

Proverbs 10:22-26

22 The blessing of the LORD, it maketh rich, and he addeth no sorrow with it.

23 It is as sport to a fool to do mischief: but a man of understanding hath wisdom.

24 The fear of the wicked, it shall come upon him: but the desire of the righteous shall be granted.

25 As the whirlwind passeth, so is the wicked no more: but the righteous is an everlasting foundation.

26 As vinegar to the teeth, and as smoke to the eyes, so is the sluggard to them that send him.

VI. Demonstrated In Our Outlook (10:27-32)

Proverbs 10:27-32

27 The fear of the LORD prolongeth days: but the years of the wicked shall be shortened.

28 The hope of the righteous shall be gladness: but the expectation of the wicked shall perish.

29 The way of the LORD is strength to the upright: but destruction shall be to the workers of iniquity.

30 The righteous shall never be removed: but the wicked shall not inhabit the earth.

31 The mouth of the just bringeth forth wisdom: but the froward tongue shall be cut out.

32 The lips of the righteous know what is acceptable: but the mouth of the wicked speaketh frowardness.

Ecclesiastes 8:1

Who is as the wise man? and who knoweth the interpretation of a thing? a man's wisdom maketh his face to shine, and the boldness of his face shall be changed.