

PROVERBS: WISDOM

Proverbs 1:20-23

1. Wisdom _____ in the street...
2. Wisdom's cries aloud, " _____?"
3. If you _____, behold, I will pour out my spirit to you...

Review & Study

PROVERBS: HEAR

- A. Continue to put to memory **Proverbs 1:7**: *The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge; fools despise wisdom and instruction.* ^{ESV}
- B. Answer the following questions about **Proverbs 1:20-23**:
 1. How does Solomon picture Wisdom according to verses 23 and 24? What does it say that Wisdom does? Where does Wisdom do this? According to the four places given, what kinds and groups of people do you think that Wisdom is seeking with her message?
 2. What question does Wisdom ask these people according to verse 22? Who are the first group of people that Wisdom addresses, what is their issue and what motivates them to be that way? Who are the second group of people that Wisdom singles out, what is their issue and why do they do what they do? Who are the third group of people addressed by Wisdom in this verse? What does their identity say about them and what does Wisdom give as the reason why they are this way?
 3. What direction does Wisdom give all these people in verse 23? What is this calling for them to do? How difficult do you think this direction is for such people to do? What does Wisdom go on to promise to do for these people, if they will do as she says? What do you think that it means when Wisdom says, "I will pour out my spirit to you?" What do you think that it means when Wisdom says, "I will make my words known to you?"
 4. As you consider this call of Wisdom, what kinds of things would you say, keep people from hearing her? Going further, what kinds of things would you say keep people from doing the simple thing of turning and moving in Wisdom's direction? What do you think, if anything, would cause people to hear and turn toward Wisdom?
- C. Application
 1. What areas of your life do you tend to be most wise in?
 2. What areas of your life could stand for you to be more wise in?
 3. What other voices, dreams or desires tend keep you from hearing Wisdom when she calls out to you?
 4. Pray to the Lord about these things!