

## **Proverbs Series**

Wisdom: To Miss It You Have To Close Your Eyes! #3  
Wisdom's Invitation and Warning – Proverbs 1:20-33

### **I. Invitation – VS 20-23**

- A.** Following the sinner's enticement of the previous section
- B.** She calls from the center of town where everyone can hear her
- C.** How long...?
- D.** I can change your life if you will turn and follow me

### **II. Invitation Rejected – VS 24-27**

- A.** No responses to call her
- B.** Refused, no heed, ignore, reject reproof
- C.** You laughed at me, now I will laugh
- D.** At your calamity, panic, distress and anguish

### **III. Opportunity Lost – VS 28-31**

- A.** You call, I won't answer
- B.** Seek, not find
- C.** Reject God receive the consequences of that decision
- D.** The Romans 1 passage again, "God handed them over to their own ways." – disaster

### **IV. Summary – 32-33**

- A.** Your ways kill
- B.** Your ways destroy
- C.** Following my ways and be secure
- D.** Relax – no fear – you're in good hands

### **V. Thoughts**

- A.** This passage teaches us much about human nature
  - We are prone to wander
  - We are easily led astray if we don't set a committed course
  - Warnings are often ignored – we think we will be the exception
  - We don't like having to choose a way
  - Rebelling comes easily
- B.** This is the story of the Gospel as well
  - John 1:1-5, 9-18
  - The Word=Logos=Wisdom

- Wisdom and Jesus make the same invitation

### **C.** Wisdom is right in the open calling out to us

- No hidden message
- No whispers
- It announces
- Like the Gospel a proclamation

### **D.** There comes a time when the invitation is withdrawn – you don't want to miss it – when? No one knows – don't risk it

- Hebrews 3:7-15

### **E.** What do you hear God saying to you today?

- Receive it and follow