“Say to Wisdom, ‘You are My Sister’”

Intro: Here in this morning’s text we study as Solomon returned to the subject of wisdom and sexual morality. In teaching us to value ___________ he exhorts us to deny the sin that lives within so we will not be taken away by our own lusts and that, so we will not be taken away by those who would sinfully excite our passions and that, so we will not be taken away to the desperate end of such sin. This heavenly wisdom, my family, is from our Father for the ________________ of our soul Christ Jesus. Since we have been saved by Christ let us now live in the newness of Christ.

I. Wisdom is the guide who never fails for wisdom is of __________. Let us ______________ our Father by cherishing His wisdom.

   A. As God has given us parents to instruct us in His way we are then, no matter our age, to _______________ their godly commandments, forsaking not their wisdom teachings.

      1. Observed wisdom will ___________ you when you walk, watch over you when you sleep, and ___________ you when you are awake. If wisdom is continually bound to your heart and tied about your neck then she will always be there, never leaving you nor forsaking you, ever guiding you in all truth and godliness. As the Psalmist sang, “Thy word is a ___________ to my feet, And a ___________ to my path.” (Ps 119:105)

II. The Wisdom of God teaches us to avoid sexual immorality, instructing us to live disciplined lives whereby we ______________ those who would excite the _______ that is within.

   A. Dear sons, let wisdom guard your heart! And here’s wisdom: ____________ ___________ from the evil woman!

   B. In reducing you to a loaf of bread she has taken your precious life away. We foolishly think that such sin will give much and ___________ little, but indeed it costs everything and gives nothing but ____________ - ____________.

III. Solomon again calls us as God’s children to keep His Word, ________________ and obeying His commandments, making the wisdom of God the apple of our eye, upon which we love and long to look as we love and long to look upon ________.

   A. We should ________________ ____________ as one who is very dear and near to us - dear and pure and caring like a true sister, and close like a most guileless intimate friend, a sure confidant who never misleads.

IV. Wisdom ________________ __________ to the ways of the adulteress and the fool who goes to her.

   A. Let us ________________ the adulteress, becoming wise to her devises. The adulteress:

      1. ____________ seductively because she is a seductress!

      2. Is cunning of heart! They hold secrets in their heart ____________ their true ____________ to destroy.
3. Is boisterous and ______________. She is a loud ______________ woman who employs her mouth to gather attention.

4. Is everywhere and ___________________.

5. Seizes him seeking to sinfully ______________ his passions with many _____________.

6. ______________ of her rightness before God. She craftily expresses that she is no godless foreigner but a ______________ soul just like you, one who is faithful in her offerings to God.

7. Tells that she has a special time planned just for you, ______________ you to her bed. She tells of her pent up passion, as she ______________: her husband has been away. And in so doing she tells that all is safe for her husband will not be home for many days!

B. Now let us ______________ the foolish young man, his stupidity and the end result. The fool:

1. __________ the way to the adulteress’s house.

2. ______________ to her boisterous speech and let her land her foul kisses! He listened as she talked about her understanding of the things of God, and he fantasized when she told him that her passions were unsatisfied as her husband was away. And he believed her as she said they would have no worries of being caught.

3. ______________ her just an like an non-reasoning beast goes to the slaughter, happily following a trail of feed.

4. Has gone as one in the ______________ of shackles, going to the punishment reserved for fools. As he laid with the adulteress disease has ruined his health and he feels as if an arrow has pierced his liver. Just as a bird seeing a few seeds quickly flies into the hidden snare, neither does the young fool know that his __________ _______ ______ him his life.

C. Though the young fool of Solomon’s example did not know that it would cost him his life, ______ _______! There can be no plea of ignorance on our part. Sexual immorality in all its rebellion against God will cost a man his life for it is appointed unto man once to die, then ___________ __ the _________________.

1. ______________ to the stern but loving words of your Father and live! Turn away from the smooth and murderous words of the adulteress.

Closing: Say to Wisdom, “You are My Sister.” And here as saving word of wisdom: “… if you ____________ with your mouth ____________ as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you shall be saved; for with the heart man believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in _______________. For the Scripture says, “Whoever believes in Him will not be disappointed.” (Rom 10:9-11)