

## The Calling of Wisdom Text: Proverbs 9:1-12

### Introduction

In chapter 7, we saw the invitation of the harlot. In chapters 8 & 9, we find the invitation of wisdom. “*The harlot had a house to which she lured her victims: Wisdom has a house to which she invites her pupils*” (John Phillips).

In our text, we see wisdom preparing a mansion and a meal. She extends an open invitation to the simple, and received two different responses from those who hear. The two different persons are those who reveal themselves to be either a scorner, or a wise man.

#### **I. Wisdom’s \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 1-2).**

##### A. House \_\_\_\_\_ (v.1).

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the house (Pro. 24:3)
2. The \_\_\_\_\_ in the house (Pro. 24:4).

##### B. Table extended (v.2).

1. Her \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Her \_\_\_\_\_.

#### **II. Wisdom’s Invitation (vv. 3-6).**

##### A. An \_\_\_\_\_ invitation (vv. 3-4).

1. \_\_\_\_\_.
2. \_\_\_\_\_.

##### B. An \_\_\_\_\_ invitation (vv. 5-6).

1. Decide to \_\_\_\_\_ (i.e., “*Come, eat*”).
2. Forsake the \_\_\_\_\_.

#### **III. Wisdom’s \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 7-12).**

##### A. It makes no \_\_\_\_\_ to correct a scorner (vv. 7-9).

1. Scorners will \_\_\_\_\_ you (cf. II Chr. 16:7-10, King Asa).

2. Wise men will \_\_\_\_\_ you (v.9).

B. **It Makes \_\_\_\_\_ To Fear God (v.10).**  
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1. Salvation (v.10a).

2. Sanctification (v.10b).

### Conclusion

Verses 13-18 offer a glimpse into the absolute counterpart of wisdom. These verses reveal the actions of the “*foolish*” woman. The word refers to a person of “insolence or stupidity.” Notice the contrast with Lady Wisdom. The foolish woman...

1. She is \_\_\_\_\_ and knows nothing (v.13)
2. She calls to the \_\_\_\_\_ (v.14), as does Wisdom (v.4)
3. She promises easy \_\_\_\_\_ (v.17)
4. She is a \_\_\_\_\_ for Hell (v.18).

Thus, the choice is yours (v.12). Accept wisdom, or scorn wisdom.

The scorner is incurable (v.12a), and the “simple” is made wise (cf. Psa. 19:7). How does the Bible say to deal with a scorner?

1. \_\_\_\_\_ him (Pro. 19:25).
2. \_\_\_\_\_ him (Pro. 21:11; cf. Rom. 16:17).
3. \_\_\_\_\_ him \_\_\_\_\_ (Pro. 22:10).