

The
Wisdom and Writings
of
King Solomon

Threats to Spiritual Happiness

Proverbs 6

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Review



I. Warning vs. 1-5

A. Against becoming surety – becoming liable

2nd Peter 1:3

"...seeing that His divine power has granted to us everything pertaining to life and godliness, through the true knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and excellence."

Proverbs 11:15

¹⁵ He who is guarantor for a stranger will surely suffer for it, but he who hates being a guarantor is secure.

Proverbs 17:18

¹⁸ A man lacking in sense pledges and becomes guarantor in the presence of his neighbor.

Proverbs 22:26

²⁶ Do not be among those who give pledges, among those who become guarantors for debts.







- 1. Be humble, go to the debtor & ask to be released from the obligation
- 2. Be persistent –refuse to take no for an answer
- 3. Don't put it off
- 4. Do everything possible to free yourself from this situation

B. The Folly of Idleness vs. 6-11



Proverbs 30:25

²⁵ "The ants are not a strong people, but they prepare their food in the summer;"

Psalm 109:10 New King James Version

¹⁰ Let his children continually be vagabonds, and beg; let them seek *their bread* also from their desolate places.

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Romans 10:9-10 "that if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved, for with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation."

II. The Wicked Man's Character vs. 12-15

- **A.** A warning against evil actions
- **B.** A worthless person vs. 12-14
 - 1. has a perverse heart / mouth
 - 2. winks with his eyes
 - 3. signals with his feet
 - 4. points with his fingers
 - 5. continually devises evil
 - 6. spreads strife / conflict
- C. Brings destruction upon himself vs. 15

Proverbs 24:19-20

¹⁹ "Do not fret because of evildoers or be envious of the wicked; ²⁰ for there will be no future for the evil man; the lamp of the wicked will be put out."

Proverbs 23:17-18

- 17 "Do not let your heart envy sinners, but *live* in the fear of the LORD always."
- 18 "Surely there is a future, and your hope will not be cut off."

Revelation 20:15

¹⁵ "And if anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire."

III. Seven Things the LORD Hates vs. 16-19

- 1. haughty eyes
- 2. a lying tongue
- 3. hands that shed innocent blood
- 4. a heart that devises wicked plans
- 5. feet that run rapidly to evil
- 6. a false witness
- 7. one who spreads strife

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B. Quotes – concerning Adultery

Woodrow M. Kroll says "When adultery walks in, everything worth having walks out." – "Adultery occurs in the head long before it occurs in the bed." "Adultery is a moment of pleasure and a lifetime of pain. It's not worth it!"

John MacArthur says "Divorce was never commanded, even for adultery. A legitimate bill of divorce was allowable for adultery, but it was never commanded or required. It was a last resort – to be used only when unrepentant immorality had exhausted the patience of the innocent spouse, and the guilty one would not be restored."

IV. Beware of and Avoid Adultery vs. 20-35

Augustine said "Passion is the evil in adultery. If a man has no opportunity of living with another man's wife, but if it is obvious for some reason that he would like to do so, and would do so if he could, he is no less guilty than if he was caught in the act." —

John Owen said "Sin aims always at the utmost; every time it rises up to tempt or entice, **if it** has its own way **it will go** out to the utmost sin in that kind. Every unclean thought or glance would be adultery if it could, every thought of unbelief would be atheism if allowed to develop. Every rise of lust, **if it** has its way reaches the height of villainy; it is like the grave that is never satisfied. The **deceitfulness of sin** is seen in that **it is modest in its first proposals** but when it prevails it hardens men's hearts, and brings them to ruin."

Martyn Lloyd-Jones said "Nothing is a cause for divorce save fornication. It does not matter how difficult it may be, it does not matter what the stress or the strain, or whatever can be said about the incompatibility of each others temperament. Nothing is to dissolve this indissoluble bond save this one thing... It is this question of the "one flesh" again; and the person who is guilty of adultery has broken the bond and has become united to another."

Deut. 6:6-7 says, "These words, which I am commanding you today, shall be on your heart; you shall teach them diligently to your sons and shall talk of them when you sit in your house and when you walk by the way and when you lie down and when you rise up."

Ps. 119:105, "Your Word is a lamp to my feet, and a light to my path."

The physical act of adultery is the external consummation of internal sin.

Matthew 5:27-28 "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery; but I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust for her has already committed adultery with her in his heart."

James 1:14-15 "But each one is tempted when he is carried away and enticed by his own lust. Then when lust has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and when sin is accomplished, it brings forth death."

Matthew 15:19 "For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies."

V. How Do We Avoid Adultery? vs. 20-35

- 1. By taking our thoughts captive
- 2. By meditating on God's Word
 - Psalm 119:9,11 "How can a young man keep his way pure? By keeping it according to Your Word." 11 "Your word I have treasured in my heart, that I may not sin against You."
- 3. By avoiding compromising situations

Hebrews 13:5 "Let your conduct be without covetousness; be content with such things as you have. For He Himself has said, 'I will never leave you nor forsake you."

1 Corinthians 10:12-14 "Therefore let him who thinks he stands take heed that he does not fall. No temptation has overtaken you but such as is common to man; and God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will provide the way of escape also, so that you will be able to endure it."

Hebrews 4:15-16 "For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin. 16 Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need."

1 Corinthians 6:18 "Flee sexual immorality. Every sin that a man does outside the body, but he who commits sexual immorality sins against his own body."

APPLICATION:

- 1. Be very careful before becoming surety vs. 1-5
- 2. Don't be a lazy vs. 6-11
- 3. Learn from the character of the worthless wicked man vs. 12-15
- 4. Remember the things that God hates vs. 16-19
- 5. Remember the teaching you have received vs. 20-22
- 6. Remember how to avoid adultery, the 7th commandment vs. 23-35; Psalm 119:105

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BUT TRUE WISDOM

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