

We're left staring down her street, observing her slain victims – we see the end of those who walk her path.

Don't ever forget this could be you

The temptation to disillusionment in this battle

The only surrendering we should be a part of is that towards Jesus, our fearless leader - who goes before us in strength and power.

Keep this instruction before you

Consider Romans 13:11-13; 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24; Jude 24-25

Love the Gospel, Live the Gospel, Advance the Gospel

We must not only love the Gospel Story, we must begin to live the Gospel Story, indeed, to have the Central Character live in us.

- Since sexual sin (yes adultery, but not exclusively) is a real temptation and threat to you, what are you going to do about it?
- Why and how can we grow in our fear of temptation?
- After hearing this message, what would you say is the son's responsibility? Have you seen this as yours?
- What can we learn from the father's observations through his window?
- What does, "If you keep wisdom, wisdom will keep you" mean? Can you support it from Proverbs 6-7?
- How are you striving to keep the instruction of the father? Share times of success against temptation where you've treasured wisdom (God's truth/ Word; Christ Jesus) above the lies of this life.
- Read and discuss Psalm 119:9-16, 37; Romans 12:1-2; and/ or 1 Corinthians 10:6
- Are you convinced that as you keep the instruction of the father (wisdom), that it's able to keep you?
- Why should we never forget the scene in Proverbs 7:24-27?
- Pray for those who feel discouraged. Ask God for renewed faith in His keeping power.

Wisdom will Keep You

Proverbs 6:20-7:27

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Proverbs 7:6-23

Meet the young man (7:7)

Meet the immoral woman (7:10)

"She" is everywhere.

1. The temptation to sexual sin is real

(Proverbs 6:25-35; 7:6-23)

Proverbs 6:23-35

Verse 24 introduces us to the dangerous seductress

Watch over your heart closely.

James 1:13-16

Do you have a healthy fear temptation?

Our familiarity with sin weakens our hatred of it.

If you touch this woman you'll burn more than your fingertips.

Proverbs 7:6-23

The father looked through his window

What we think are private moments are always before God's eyes.

Hebrews 4:13

Genesis 39:6-10

Remember the story of Joseph and Potiphar's wife

What can we learn from the father's observations?

Look at the lies.

Is there any hope for us?

2. The instruction of the father is able

(Proverbs 6:20-24; 7:1-5)

Our only hope of resisting the sexual immortality and perversion that marks our culture is the wisdom of God.

Keep wisdom and wisdom will keep you.

Wisdom = "*Skill in the art of godly living*" – rooted in the fear of the LORD.

It's decision making that reflects a covenant relationship with God.

Psalm 119:9-16, 37

Memorize it. Meditate on it.

Believe it. Cherish what we find there.

Proverbs 6:22-23

- **Psalm 119:105**

Proverbs 7:1-3

Internalize it.

"the little man of your eye"

The gospel confronts our lust with an all-consuming love of God in Christ Jesus – frustrating, exposing and working against our lusts. Attacking the discontent that rises from within! It has a preserving effect.

The instruction of the father is able to keep us because it's TRUE.

The instruction of the father is able to keep us because it's POWERFUL.

1 Peter 2:24; Titus 3:3-8

3. The path of the adulteress is clear

(Proverbs 7:24-27)