

Two Invitations > Proverbs 9:1-18

9:1-6 *The plain invitation.* Lady Wisdom calls to anybody who will respond: eat and drink of the gift that is provided. Grow in understanding of the Lord, walk in the ways of insight.

9:7-12 *Wisdom will change you.* The difference between somebody pursuing wisdom and somebody avoiding it is pretty easy to see: how do you respond when somebody corrects you? Do you want to grow? Or do you think of yourself as having already “arrived”?

9:13-18 *Invitation to the grave.* Woman Folly offers an invitation as well, but it’s the exact opposite of Lady Wisdom. Folly calls people to a banquet that won’t lead to life in Lord, but instead to death.

Context: This chapter provides the capstone to everything that chapters 1-8 have been building up to.

Aim: Solomon is calling on everyone who reads these words to feast on wisdom, and so to live. Folly’s feast of death is highlighted here for all to see as a clear warning.

Gospel: Christ perfectly embodies wisdom and calls us to enjoy His wisdom. He provides all that we need and calls us to feast upon Him, trusting His work instead of our own.

Applications: Personally, what does your commitment to Christ, His Words, and the life of a disciple look like? Are you growing? Are you desiring wisdom? As a church, let’s be known for seeking the Lord’s wisdom in every situation and for encouraging one another to grow in it. How are you committing to Christ’s people?

Here is how I will apply these truths: _____
