



Welcome to Grand Heights 23 May 2021 Today's Message from Dr. Jason Lee

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Great is Thy Faithfulness #43

"The Lord's...compassions never fail. They are new every morning; Great is Your faithfulness" Lam. 3:22-23

Thomas Chisholm

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father; There is no shadow of turning with Thee Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not As Thou hast been, Thou forever will be

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see All I have needed, Thy hands hath provided Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest;
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness to Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love

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Pardon for sin, and a peace that endureth; Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness! Lord every morning new mercies I see All I have needed Thy hands hath provided Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

Ancient of Days ^{\(\Day\)}

"...One like a son of man coming with the clouds of heaven. He approached the Ancient of Days...He was given authority, glory and sovereign power, all nations and peoples of every language worshiped Him" Dan 7:13-14

Gary Sadler & Jamie Harvill

Blessing and honor
Glory and power
Be unto the Ancient of Days
From every nation
All of creation
Bow before the Ancient of Days

Every tongue in heaven and earth
Shall declare Your glory
Every knee shall bow at Your throne
In worship
You will be exalted, oh God
And Your kingdom shall not pass away
Oh, Ancient of Days

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Proverbs 1:20-33— English Standard Version (ESV)

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- ²² "How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple? How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing and fools hate knowledge?
- 23 If you turn at my reproof,behold, I will pour out my spirit to you;I will make my words known to you.
- ²⁴ Because I have called and you refused to listen, have stretched out my hand and no one has heeded,
- ²⁵ because you have ignored all my counsel and would have none of my reproof,
- ²⁶ I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when terror strikes you,
- ²⁷ when terror strikes you like a storm and your calamity comes like a whirlwind, when distress and anguish come upon you.
- ²⁸ Then they will call upon me, but I will not answer;

- they will seek me diligently but will not find me.
- ²⁹ Because they hated knowledge and did not choose the fear of the Lord,
- ³⁰ would have none of my counsel and despised all my reproof,
- ³¹ therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way, and have their fill of their own devices.
- ³² For the simple are killed by their turning away, and the complacency of fools destroys them;
- ³³ but whoever listens to me will dwell secure and will be at ease, without dread of disaster."

From the Inside Out

"Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is —

His good, pleasing and perfect will." Rom. 12:2

Joel Houston

A thousand times I've failed Still your mercy remains Should I stumble again Still I'm caught in your grace

Everlasting
Your Light will shine when all else fades
Never ending
Your Glory goes beyond all fame

[[Your will above all else My purpose remains The art of losing myself In bringing you praise

Everlasting
Your Light will shine when all else fades
Never ending
Your Glory goes beyond all fame

My heart and my soul
I give You control
Consume me from the inside out, Lord
Let justice and praise
Become my embrace
To love You from the inside out
Repeat 1x]]

Everlasting Your Light will shine when all else fades Never ending Your Glory goes beyond all fame
And the cry of my heart is to bring You praise
From the inside out
Lord, my soul cries out

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Consume me from the inside out, Lord
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Shout to the Lord

"Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth, burst into jubilant song with music" Psalm 98:4

Darlene Zschech

My Jesus, my Savior Lord, there is none like You All of my days, I want to praise The wonders of Your mighty love

My comfort, my shelter Tower of refuge and strength Let every breath, all that I am Never cease to worship You

Shout to the Lord
All the earth let us sing
Power and majesty praise to the King
Mountains bow down
And the seas will roar
At the sound of Your name

I sing for joy at the work of Your hands Forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand Nothing compares to the promise I have in You

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Offering: Show Us Christ

"The unfolding of Your words gives light; it gives understanding to the simple" Ps. 119:130

Doug Plank and Bob Kauflin

Prepare our hearts, O God
Help us to receive
Break the hard and stony ground
Help our unbelief
Plant Your Word down deep in us
Cause it to bear fruit
Open up our ears to hear
Lead us in Your truth

Show us Christ, show us Christ
O God, reveal Your glory
Through the preaching of Your Word
Until every heart confesses
Christ is Lord

Your Word is living light
Upon our darkened eyes
Guards us through temptations Makes
the simple wise
Your Word is food for famished ones
Freedom for the slave
Riches for the needy soul
Come speak to us today

Show us Christ, show us Christ
O God, reveal Your glory
Through the preaching of Your Word
Until every heart confesses
Christ is Lord

Where else can we go, Lord
Where else can we go
You have the words of eternal life
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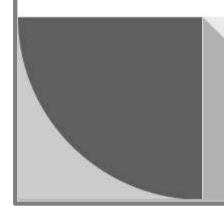


Setting Your Course

Proverbs 1-2

The Call of Wisdom

Proverbs 1:20-33





Proverbs 1:20-23

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- [21] at the head of the noisy streets she cries out; at the entrance of the city gates, she speaks:
- [22] "How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple? How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing and fools hate knowledge?
- [23] If you turn at my reproof, behold, I will pour out my spirit to you; I will make my words known to you.



Proverbs 1:24-27

- [24] Because I have called and you refused to listen, have stretched out my hand and no one has heeded,
- [25] because you have ignored all my counsel and would have none of my reproof,
- [26] I also will laugh at your calamity;
 I will mock when terror strikes you,
- [27] when terror strikes you like a storm and your calamity comes like a whirlwind, when distress and anguish come upon you. (ESV)



Proverbs 1:28-31

[28] Then they will call upon me, but I will not answer; they will seek me diligently but will not find me.

[29] Because they hated knowledge and did not choose the fear of the LORD,

[30] would have none of my counsel and despised all my reproof,

[31] therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way, and have their fill of their own devices. (ESV)



Proverbs 1:32-33

[32] For the simple are killed by their turning away, and the complacency of fools destroys them;

[33] but whoever listens to me will dwell secure and will be at ease, without dread of disaster." (ESV)



Proverbs 1:20-22

[20] Wisdom cries aloud in the street, in the markets she raises her voice; [21] at the head of the noisy streets she cries out; at the entrance of the city gates, she speaks: [22] "How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple? How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing and fools hate knowledge?

Verse 20 picks up on the imagery from earlier in the chapter of a "young man" setting out on life. The first of two women that will seek to influence the young man is introduced. The faithful woman, wisdom, cries out in the street. Her call echoes the warning of earlier in the chapter in that fools hate knowledge and would rather have hold to their ill-founded opinions than cling to truth. "How long?" Until it is too late?

The picture of lady wisdom calling out at the city gates (1:21) connects with the imagery of 31:31 where the wise woman is praised in the city gates.

Proverbs 1:23

[23] If you turn at my reproof, behold, I will pour out my spirit to you; I will make my words known to you.

Wisdom's warning turns to an appeal in v.23. Instead of fools who "spurn" wisdom, the wise person will "turn" to wisdom. Notice that wisdom's blessing here is similar to the Lord's promise in the new covenant.

Ezekiel 36:25–28

[25] I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. [26] And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. [27] And I will put my Spirit within you and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules. [28] You shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers, and you shall be my people, and I will be your God. (ESV)

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[24] Because I have called and you refused to listen, have stretched out my hand and no one has heeded, [25] because you have ignored all my counsel and would have none of my reproof...

The call of wisdom usually comes in multiple forms and is a sign of God's grace to us. Because He provides His wisdom in so many ways, our rejection of it is the result of an active choice ("refused to listen"). Notice how verses 24-25 highlight the multiple levels of appeal from wisdom: calling, outstretched hand, counsel, and reproof.

From these images, we are encouraged by the love of God who pursues relationship with us by appealing to us through biblical wisdom. His hand is a correcting one, but it is also one that offers comfort and strength for the journey of life.

Proverbs 1:26-27

[26] I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when terror strikes you, [27] when terror strikes you like a storm and your calamity comes like a whirlwind, when distress and anguish come upon you.

Biblical wisdom has both positive and negative appeals. The positive appeals point to the "blessings" that come to those who listen to and live by wisdom. The negative appeals are those warn of the dangers in rejecting wisdom. In v.26-27, one can see that one negative outcome of rejecting God's wisdom is that foolish actions and attitudes can bring consequences ("calamity"). Often God removes His gracious protection allows us to experience the full brunt of the consequences of our foolish choices.

The imagery of "wisdom" mocking us is that when consequences come, we often remember all of the "caution signs" that we ignored on the way to our troubles.

Proverbs 1:28

[28] Then they will call upon me, but <u>I will not answer</u>; they will seek me diligently but will not find me.

Verse 28 pictures that the call of wisdom has a season. Perhaps the inaccessibility of wisdom comes from the hardening of our hearts that comes from a repeated rejection of biblical wisdom (see the next verse).

By the way, the only rescue from the hardness of heart is the power of God's Word, which is used by the Holy Spirit to break through our stony hearts so that we might respond to the call to repentance found in biblical wisdom. It is a glorious thing when the Lord by His Spirit uses His Word to convict us of our sin and to call us to a renewed (or new) relationship with Him. The church is the people who celebrate this work of grace in someone's life.

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[29] Because they hated knowledge and did not choose the fear of the LORD, [30] would have none of my counsel and despised all my reproof, [31] therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way and have their fill of their own devices.

Notice that a rejection of biblical wisdom is ultimately a rejection of the Lord Himself ("fear of the LORD"). The ultimate punishment of rejecting wisdom and the Lord is not common consequences but the Lord's judgment.

Revelation 22:12-[12] "Behold, I am coming soon, bringing my reward

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2 Thessalonians 1:7b-9 (CSB)-7 This will take place at the revelation of the Lord Jesus from heaven with his powerful angels, 8 when he takes vengeance with flaming fire on those who don't know God and on those who don't obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. 9 They will pay the penalty of eternal destruction from the Lord's presence and from his glorious strength

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Listen to the Lord's wisdom brings a peace of mind. It does not mean that will not suffer hardship. It does mean that we will not also bear the weight of our guilt. It also means that our faith is displayed in how we are living.

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Setting Your Course By God's Word:

 How are we responding to the <u>instructing</u> elements of God's Word? How are we responding to the <u>correcting</u> elements? These are the call of wisdom.

Our foolish hearts do not want to admit things we do not know. We do not want to be corrected by biblical wisdom.

 Is the Lord calling to you through biblical wisdom to lay down some aspect of resistance to Him?

The call of wisdom is a call to repentance and forgiveness. If God is convicting you by His Word through your daily Bible reading or through the preached Word, then do not hide your sin, confess it.

Have you shared with others about God's work in your life?

One way we encourage others to heed the call of wisdom is by sharing our testimony how God is currently working in our lives to call us out of our sinful habits and responses and how He provides grace for us.

Today is the Day

"This is the day the LORD has made; We will rejoice and be glad in it" Ps. 118:24

Paul Baloche

I'm casting my cares aside
I'm leaving my past behind
I'm setting my heart and mind on You
Jesus

I'm reaching my hand to Yours Believing there's so much more Knowing that all You have in store For me is good; Is good!

Today is the day, You have made
I will rejoice and be glad in it
Today is the day, You have made
I will rejoice and be glad in it
And I won't worry about tomorrow
I'm trusting in what You say
Today is the day Today is the day

I'm putting my fears aside
I'm leaving my doubts behind
I'm giving my hopes and dreams to You
Jesus

I'm reaching my hands to Yours Believing there's so much more Knowing that all You have in store For me is good; Is good!

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I will rejoice and be glad in it
Today is the day, You have made
I will rejoice and be glad in it
And I won't worry about tomorrow
I'm trusting in what You say
Today is the day Today is the day

I will stand upon Your truth
(I will stand upon Your truth)
And all my days I'll live for You
(And all my days I'll live for You)
And I will stand upon Your truth
(And I will stand upon Your truth)
And all my days I'll live for You
(And all my days I'll live for You)

Today is the day, You have made
I will rejoice and be glad in it
Today is the day, You have made
I will rejoice and be glad in it
And I won't worry about tomorrow
I'm giving You my fears and sorrows

Where You lead me I will follow I'm trusting in what You say Today is the day Today is the day Today is the day