

## Community Group Study Guide

**Sermon Series** - The Way of Wisdom

**Sermon Date** - Nov 1, 2009

***Warm-up:***

1. What are some of the “taboo” topics to discuss in church?
- 2.

**Read Proverbs 5:15 -19**

1. What example of parallelism do you see in this passage?
2. What do you think the main point of this passage is? How would you summarize the passage?
3. In what ways does this passage illustrate sexuality as it was originally intended?
4. Are these ideas embraced in the culture? Why or why not?

**Read Proverbs 11:22 & 30:18 - 20**

1. How do these passages illustrate the distortion of sexuality?
2. What leapt out to you in these verses ?
3. What do these passages, as well as the Proverbs 5 passage, teach us about the importance of purity in sexuality and marriage?

**Read Proverbs 7:6 - 27**

1. What leapt out to you in this passage?
2. What is the setting for this encounter?
3. How is the youth described? How about the woman?
4. What is her home like?
5. How did she seduce him? How did she make this “easy” for him?
6. How is the youth then described? These are hunting terms...what does this tell you about the youth, the encounter, and the woman?
7. What are some of the “prostitutes” that men encounter? How does TV, advertising, the internet entice men? Do the modern day “prostitutes” make encounters easy?
8. Are women immune from the temptations that exist today? Explain?

### **Read Proverbs 6:20-35**

1. What actions is the son ordered to take? How can we keep and bind the father's commands and teaching?
2. What are the benefits of keeping the father's commandments?
3. What are some of the consequences of falling for the immoral woman in verses 25-29?
4. Look at verses 31-35. What phrases leap out to you? What are the consequences of the man's actions?
5. What can we learn from this passage?

***Apply: In this section, our goal is to determine how to integrate what you've studied into your life.***

1. Based on these passages, what changes do you feel you need to make in your life?
2. What are some practical steps you can take to guard yourself against temptation?
3. What should our response be to a brother or sister who falls into this type of temptation? How does the church typically respond?
4. How can your group encourage you? How can you encourage others?
5. How can this group pray for you?