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## SERMON OUTLINE

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### The Fool and the Wise

Introduction; Proverbs 1:1-7

- I. Introduction – Proverbs give us wisdom for the best life possible (Proverbs 1:1-6).
- II. Theme – Wisdom comes by submitting reverently to God (Proverbs 1:7).
- III. The Fool is proud.

Key names/terms for the **fool** in Proverbs

- A. **Wicked** (also perverse, treacherous, evildoer) – Sinful, defying God (10:32; 6:14; 11:6; 15:29; 13:15)
- B. **Simple/Gullible/Naïve** – Easily influenced (1:10, 22, 33, 9:4-6)
- C. **Fool** – Morally deficient, irrational (22:15), cocky, doesn't learn from mistakes (12;15; 26:11-12)
- D. **Mocker** – Ridicules what is right (1:22)
- E. **Lazy/Sluggard** – Unreliable, procrastinates, makes excuses (10:26; 20:4; 26:13-14)
- F. **Senseless** – Ignores reason, warnings (12;11; 6:32)

- IV. The Wise are humble.

Key names/terms for the **wise** in Proverbs

- A. **Wise** – Fears the Lord (1:7), teachable (13:1)
- B. **Prudent/Shrewd and Discrete** – Sees and avoids danger (2:11; 22:3)
- C. **Insight/guidance and Understanding** – Seeks guidance (1:5), anticipates outcomes/consequences (11:29; 17:27)
- D. **Righteous, Blameless and Good** – Follows God and godliness (2:6-9).