

## Proverbs Lesson #4 (Blanks)

### THE SAFETY AND SECURITY FROM WISDOM (Proverbs 2:10-22)

The Key Verse describes the Book: **Proverbs 4:7** "Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding." (**Memory Verse**)

**Memory Verse for Ch. 1: Proverbs 1:7** "The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction."

This chapter exhorts the hearers to pursue wisdom like their very life depends on it, because it does. This chapter tells us where wisdom is \_\_\_\_\_ and the blessings that flow from wisdom.

#### **THE OUTLINE OF THE CHAPTER**

- A. The Seeking of \_\_\_\_\_ (Proverbs 2:1-5) To Receive it and live it. James 1:22
- B. The Source of \_\_\_\_\_ (Proverbs 2:6-9) The LORD gives wisdom, knowledge and understanding. He has prepared for you what you need to live a good, godly life.
- C. The Safety from \_\_\_\_\_ (Proverbs 2:10-19)
- D. The Security in \_\_\_\_\_ (Proverbs 2:20-22)

#### **THE SAFETY YOU GET FROM WISDOM**

Wisdom provides \_\_\_\_\_ for the one who embraces wisdom. It is a safety that protects one's character and life from being \_\_\_\_\_.

#### **C. The Safety From Wisdom (Proverbs 2:10-19)**

1. **The \_\_\_\_\_ of Safety (Proverbs 2:10).** The requirements for this safety
  - **The possession of wisdom** - You must possess wisdom in the heart, if safety will be enjoyed. Wisdom that comes from God is enjoyed by the wise.
2. **The Character of Safety (Proverbs 2:11).** The protection that wisdom gives is priceless! The word "preserve" involves a guard, who warns when peril is near.
  - **The warning of safety** - discretion is something wisdom gives. To know what is good and what is not from a distance, this is the safety God gives.
  - **The wall of safety** - this "keeping" involves strong protection, like a wall from the intrusion of evil.
3. **The Cases of safety** - Two cases of protection are given. One is protection and safety from the evil \_\_\_\_\_ and the other is protection and safety from the evil \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Safety from the evil man - The evil man will entice you to doing evil. **First**, his proclamations, (Proverbs 2:12) "speaketh froward things". The evil man uses his tongue to speak \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. Listening to such a man will lead you to sin against God. **Second**, His paths, "Leave the paths of uprightness, to walk in the ways of darkness" (Proverbs 2:13). Evil men do not want to walk on the right path. They advocate the Devil's \_\_\_\_\_, but such paths lead to sin, \_\_\_\_\_ and destruction. **Third**, his pleasures, "Rejoice to do evil..delight in the frowardness of the wicked (Proverbs 2:14). Evil men rejoice in evil but not in doing right. **Fourth**, his

perversion, "whose ways are crooked" (Proverbs 2:15). The evil man is perverted in his thinking.

- **Safety from the evil \_\_\_\_\_** - the evil woman is called a "strange woman" (Proverbs 2:16). This term is often used to describe harlots and prostitutes. **First**, her flattering, "Flattereth with her words" (Proverbs 2:16). She uses her words to seduce. Evil flatters so that bad conduct sounds like it is good. **Second**, her forsaking, "Forsaketh the guide of her youth" (Proverbs 2:17). She is delinquent. Her disobedience is either rejection of her parental counsel or rejection of her husband or guardian. Whatever the authority in her life is, she has rejected it. **Third**, her forgetting, "Forgetteth the covenant of her God" (Proverbs 2:17). She is profane and rejects the word of God as her guide for conduct. **Fourth**, her fatalities, "Her house inclineth unto death, and her paths unto the dead" (Proverbs 2:18). **Fifth**, her future, "None that go unto her return again, neither take they hold of the paths of life" (Proverbs 2:19). She ruins the lives of those that give into her temptation and her own life in the process. Wisdom protects from the whorish female. **Look at the contrast of the virtuous woman, Proverbs 31:1-13; 30:30.**

**D. The \_\_\_\_\_ in Wisdom (Proverbs 2:20-22)**

Wisdom gives security. There is great stability of mind knowing that you are doing right. And having God's wisdom gives great security!

**1. Security in the \_\_\_\_\_ (Proverbs 2:20)**

Wisdom gives security and safety in regards to what path a person pursues in life. The fact that wisdom is a good path is demonstrated in two ways.

- **The people on the path.** "Walk in the way of good men" (Proverbs 2:20). When wisdom guides your path you will have good company, because God directs these people to the same path. Check your path by **who is walking on it**.
- **The purity of the path.** "Paths of righteousness" (Proverbs 2:20). The path of wisdom is a holy path. If the path you are on is unholy it will lead you to destruction.

**2. Security in the Place (Proverbs 2:21-22).**

- **The duration of the dwelling** - The earth for a thousand years. Psalm 1:5,6; Revelation 20:6. The evil doers will not remain in the earth forever!
- **The denied from the dwelling** - "Rooted out of it (Proverbs 2:22).

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