

Message #131

Proverbs 30:15-23

A wise person is forever alert to things foolish and sinful. There are dangerous things that will always be and things that will never be.

A WISE PERSON WILL BE ON GUARD AGAINST THINGS THAT WILL NEVER BE.

REALITY #1 – There will always be those who are never satisfied. **30:15-17**

The word “leech” is a rare Hebrew word that refers to a bloodsucker. A leech takes something that doesn’t belong to him. The leech has two relatives, two daughters about whom three things are said: 1) They cry “give, give”; 2) They are never satisfied; 3) They never have enough. Four existences are never satisfied:

- 1) Sheol—the dark, lonely, destructive place of damnation is always wanting more.
- 2) Barrenness—many a woman wishes she had more children or some children.
- 3) Earth—the ground is never satisfied with the amount of water.
- 4) Fire—always looking for more fuel.

Obviously one mark of wisdom is learn to be content or satisfied because one who isn’t will have a dead, barren, dry and fiery existence. There will always be a “restless yearning” in one’s soul that is never satisfied until one is right in his/her relationship with God.

REALITY #2 – There will always be those who are never predictable. **30:18-20**

- 1) You cannot predict the direction of an eagle. **30:19a**
- 2) You cannot predict the direction of a serpent. **30:19b**
- 3) You cannot predict the direction of a ship. **30:19c**
- 4) You cannot predict the direction of a man. **30:19d**

A wise person is a dependable person, carefully monitoring his own movement.

REALITY #3 – There will always be those who are never bearable. **30:21-23**

There are four things that will cause social disorder:

- 1) When a servant reigns. **30:22a**
- 2) When a fool is satisfied. **30:22b**
- 3) When a hateful woman is married. **30:23a**
- 4) When a maid reigns. **30:23b**

The wise person wants harmony in society, not disarray.

Wise people are satisfied people with that which belong to them.

Wise people are predictable people because they are on guard against unpredictable things.

Wise people want harmony, not unbearable earthquakes.