

## **Straight Talk about Seduction**

(Proverbs 5)

### **I. Introduction:**

- A. The Proverbs of Solomon
- B. The Problem of sexual sin

### **II. Exposition: Proverbs 5**

- A. The dangers of the seductress (vv. 1-6)
  - 1. The request of the father (vv. 1-2)
    - Revelation 2-3
  - 2. The ruse of the adulteress (v. 3)
    - Proverbs 2:16; 6:24; 7:21
  - 3. The repercussion of her actions (vv. 4-6)
    - Ecclesiastes 7:26
- B. The damage of infidelity (vv. 7-14)
  - 1. The reception of wise words (v. 7)
    - Hebrews 12:25
  - 2. The refrain from her house (v. 8)
    - Proverbs 4:14-15
  - 3. The ruin of one's life (vv. 9-10)
    - Luke 15:30
  - 4. The regret of one's actions (vv. 11-14)
    - Deuteronomy 32:29
- C. The delights of marital love (vv. 15-20)
  - 1. The refreshments of marriage (vv. 15-17)
    - I Corinthians 7:2-5; Hebrews 13:4
  - 2. The rejoicing in marital intimacy (vv. 18-20)
    - Song of Solomon 4:12-5:1

- D. The determination of the actions (vv. 21-23)
  - 1. The regard of the Lord (v. 21)
    - Psalm 139:6-12
  - 2. The restraint of the wicked (v. 22)
    - Psalm 7:15-16
  - 3. The reaping of what was sown (v. 23)
    - Galatians 6:7-8

### **III. Conclusion: Warren W. Wiersbe**

- A. From sweetness to bitterness (vv. 1-6)
- B. From gain to loss (vv. 7-14)
- C. From purity to pollution (vv. 15-20)
- D. From freedom to bondage (vv. 21-23)

### **Questions to reflect on individually and discuss in Small Groups:**

1. What stuck out to you from the message? (What's your keeper?)
2. In what ways have sexual sins affected our culture, both outside and inside of the church?
3. What damage have you seen or experienced due to the consequences of sexual sins? In what ways have you seen God's grace at work even in those situations?
4. Why are the delights of marital love a necessary and powerful deterrent to sexual sins? What can happen when we ignore or minimize our sexual responsibilities as spouses in marriage?
5. Does knowing that God sees and knows everything frighten or encourage you? Why?
6. What stuck out to you from the conclusion?
7. Finish this sentence with the primary thing that God is leading you to do: "In light of these passages and this discussion, I will..." (What is your action point?)

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