The Anatomy of a Seduction

(Proverbs 7)

I. Introduction:

- Same Song ... Next Verse
- Straight Talk about Seduction
 - Directives Proverbs 5 and 6
 - Drama Proverbs 7

II. Exposition: Proverbs 7

- A. The <u>devotion</u> of a wise father (vv. 1-5)
 - 1. The <u>commands</u> (vv. 1-4)
 - The nouns and verbs
 - *Jeremiah 31:33*
 - 2 Corinthians 3:3
 - The simile and metaphors
 - 2. The consequence (v. 5)
- B. The **description** of a wanton rendezvous (vv. 6-23)
 - 1. The <u>simpleton</u> (v. 6-9)
 - Proverbs 4:14-15 (I Cor. 6:18; 2 Tim. 2:22)
 - Romans 13;12-14
 - 2. The **seducer** (vv. 10-12)
 - Her character
 - 3. The solicitation (vv. 13-21)
 - Her conduct (Leviticus 7:16-18)
 - 4. The <u>sacrifice</u> (vv. 22-23)
- C. The <u>destruction</u> of wandering people (vv. 24-27)
 - 1. The plea of a loving father (v. 24)
 - 2. The <u>protection</u> of your heart (v. 25)
 - Proverbs 23:7 (Matthew 5:27-30)
 - 2 Corinthians 10:3-6

- 3. The **profusion** of the slain (v. 26)
- 4. The **path** descending to death (v. 27)

III. Application and Implication

- A. Our **sensual** culture
- B. Our <u>spiritual</u> adultery (idolatry)
- C. Our <u>supernatural</u> defense
 - The Word and Prayer
 - The Mind and Scripture Memory
 - Fellowship and Accountability

IV. Conclusion:

• Look <u>behind</u> ... Look <u>ahead</u> ... Look within ... Look above ...

Questions to reflect on individually and discuss in Small Groups:

- 1. What stuck out to you from the message? (What's your keeper?)
- 2. Why is it important that we follow the commands that God places before us in His Word and through godly parents?
- 3. What most hits you from the drama that Solomon paints for us in this chapter?
- 4. How did you feel when you heard the statistics about our sensual culture? Why did you feel that way?
- 5. How have you seen spiritual adultery (idolatry) in your own life and in the lives of others?
- 6. Think through the six items presented in the Supernatural Defense. Which one do you most need to apply at this time in your life?
- 7. What stuck out to you from the conclusion?
- 8. 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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