



Proverbs 6:20-35
**Will We Live by Revelation
or Desire?**

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The Protection Found in Wisdom

Proverbs 6:20-22

My son, observe the commandment of your father 21 Bind them continually on your heart; Tie them around your neck. 22 When you walk about, they will guide you; When you sleep, they will watch over you; And when you awake, they will talk to you.

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The Word Is Our Light

Proverbs 6:23-24

For the commandment **is a lamp and the teaching is light**; and reproofs for discipline are the way of life 24 To keep you from the evil woman, From the smooth tongue of the adulteress.

Deuteronomy 29:29

The secret things belong to the LORD our God, but **the things revealed** belong to us and to our sons forever, that we may observe all the words of this law.

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Do You Pursue Secrets or Revelation?

2 Chronicles 33:6

He made his sons pass through the fire in the valley of Ben-hinnom; and **he practiced witchcraft, used divination, practiced sorcery and dealt with mediums** and spiritists. He did much evil in the sight of the LORD, provoking Him *to anger*.

Galatians 5:19-20

Now the deeds of the flesh are evident, which are: immorality, impurity, sensuality, 20 idolatry, **sorcery**, enmities, strife, jealousy, outbursts of anger, disputes, dissensions, factions...

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Live by Faith, Not by Sight

2 Corinthians 5:6-8

Therefore, being always of good courage, and knowing that while we are at home in the body we are absent from the Lord— 7 **for we walk by faith, not by sight**— 8 we are of good courage, I say, and prefer rather to be absent from the body and to be at home with the Lord.

Romans 8:24-25

For in **hope** we have been saved, but hope that **is seen** is not hope; for who hopes for what he *already sees*? 25 But if we hope for what we do not see, with perseverance we wait eagerly for it.

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Don't Dwell on the Other Woman

Proverbs 6:25-26

Do not desire her beauty in your heart, nor let her capture you with her eyelids. 26 For on account of a harlot *one is reduced* to a loaf of bread, and an adulteress hunts for the precious life.

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Adultery Always Has Consequences

Proverbs 6:27–31

Can a man take fire in his bosom And his clothes not be burned? 28 Or can a man walk on hot coals And his feet not be scorched? 29 So is the one who goes in to his neighbor's wife; Whoever touches her will not go unpunished. 30 Men do not despise a thief if he steals To satisfy himself when he is hungry; 31 But when he is found, he must repay sevenfold; He must give all the substance of his house.

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Adultery Always Has Consequences

Proverbs 6:32–35

The one who commits adultery with a woman is lacking sense; He who would destroy himself does it. 33 Wounds and disgrace he will find, And his reproach will not be blotted out. 34 For jealousy enrages a man, And he will not spare in the day of vengeance. 35 He will not accept any ransom, Nor will he be satisfied though you give many gifts.

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