

**Message #27****Proverbs 9:13-18**

Solomon was very aware that there is an immoral lure crying out to men. He never wanted his own to son to fall or to give in.

**NO MATTER HOW WONDERFUL IMMORALITY MAY APPEAR, THE CONSEQUENCES WILL RUIN YOU.**

There is a very enticing and pleasant lure to immorality.

In these final verses of the “my son” section, Solomon once again reminds his son of the importance of not giving in to immorality.

**POINT #1** – An immoral woman is spiritually ignorant. **9:13**

The terms tell us much about this woman:

The word “folly” speaks of a person who has a boldness and confidence, particularly in things that pertain to God.

The word “boisterous” speaks of a person who has a very verbal, explosive and emotional nature; not a woman who is meek and quiet in spirit.

The word “naïve” speaks of a woman who is easily enticed.

The words “know nothing” literally mean from God’s perspective she is a zero who doesn’t know anything.

Who in their right mind wants a relationship with a woman like this? Solomon certainly did not want that for his son.

**POINT #2** – An immoral woman is publically available. **9:14-16**

These verses paint the picture of a woman who is available to the public. It is interesting irony that the wisdom of God sends out maidens to invite people to attend (9:3), whereas the woman of immorality just stays at home and invites men in from the streets.

**Verse 15** makes it clear that this woman goes after men who are headed in an upright direction. Men must be on guard even when their direction is right.

We may notice from **verse 16** who the man is that is likely to respond—the naïve one who lacks understanding.

**POINT #3** – An immoral woman is verbally enticing. **9:17**

**(Enticement #1)** - Stolen water is sweet. **9:17a**

The word “sweet” refers to that which is refreshing, pleasant and enjoyable. Solomon taught his son to enjoy physical refreshment only with his wife (5:15-18).

**(Enticement #2)** - Secret bread is pleasant. **9:17b**

The idea is when you do something in private or secret, there is real brightness to it.

There is always one eye that sees everything—God.

**POINT #4** – An immoral woman is permanently destructive. **9:18**

This seductress never told the young man this part of the story. This woman will always leave permanent scars. The adulteress leaves her prey sick and diseased. It is the way to death.

Sin never tells you this side of the story. No matter how wonderful immorality may appear, turn your back on it and walk away. If you don't, you will reap the consequences, the same consequences.