

A DART THROUGH THE LIVER

PROVERBS 6:25-7:27

Text: Proverbs 7:23

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²³ Till a dart strike through his liver; as a bird hasteth to the snare, and knoweth not that it *is* for his life.

Introduction:

It's interesting the emphasis that is placed on this subject in this book.

We are to place the emphasis where the Bible places the emphasis.

Notice:

1. BEWARE OF HER FLESHLY BEAUTY (6:25 7:8-10)

Proverbs 6:25

²⁵ Lust not after her beauty in thine heart; neither let her take thee with her eyelids.

Proverbs 7:8-10

⁸ Passing through the street near her corner; and he went the way to her house, ⁹ In the twilight, in the evening, in the black and

dark night: ¹⁰ And, behold, there met him a woman *with* the attire of an harlot, and subtil of heart.

A. The Path to Avoid

The victim had allowed himself to be attracted to her beauty and discovered where she lived. While doing so, either by arrangement or accident, he came upon her and was taken by her: “Passing through the street near her corner, and he went the way to her house, In the twilight, in the evening, in the black and dark night: And, behold, there met him a woman with the attire of an harlot, and subtil of heart.”

B. The Persuasion to Abhor (7:11-22)

Proverbs 7:11-22

¹¹ (She *is* loud and stubborn; her feet abide not in her house: ¹² Now *is she* without, now in the streets, and lieth in wait at every corner.) ¹³ So she caught him, and kissed him, *and* with an impudent face said unto him, ¹⁴ *I have* peace offerings with me; this day have I payed my vows. ¹⁵ Therefore came I forth to meet thee, diligently to seek thy face, and I have found thee. ¹⁶ I have decked my bed with coverings of tapestry, with carved *works*, with fine linen of Egypt. ¹⁷ I have perfumed my bed with myrrh, aloes, and cinnamon. ¹⁸ Come, let us take our fill of love until the morning: let us solace ourselves with loves. ¹⁹ For the goodman *is* not at home, he is gone a long journey: ²⁰ He hath taken a bag of money with him, *and* will come home at the day appointed. ²¹ With her much fair speech she caused him to yield, with the flattering of her lips she forced him. ²² He goeth after her straightway, as an ox goeth to the slaughter, or as a fool to the correction of the stocks;

This Harlot persuades with:

- Her Attire (vs. 16-17)
- Her Argument (vs.21)
- Her Appeal (vs.22)

She even perfumed her bed to make it more appealing. Usually the event of adultery takes a period of time and yet in just a moment of time, one can lose everything that is of value. Beware of her fleshly beauty and the many ways that she will attempt to communicate her fleshly beauty unto you.

2. BEWARE OF HER FOOLING EYES (6:25)

Proverbs 6:25

²⁵ Lust not after her beauty in thine heart; neither let her take thee with her eyelids.

A. The Luring Eyes

There is something powerfully attractive when the eyes are used to communicate the language of the heart.

The only thing about this kind of attraction is that unless it is legitimately conveyed by the wife to “her” husband, it can be lethally dangerous.

B. The Lustful Eyes

1 John 2:16

¹⁶ For all that *is* in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.

3. BEWARE OF HER FLATTERING TONGUE (7:21)

Proverbs 6:24

²⁴ To keep thee from the evil woman, from the flattery of the tongue of a strange woman.

Proverbs 7:21

²¹ With her much fair speech she caused him to yield, with the flattering of her lips she forced him.

A. There Is Poison In that Kind of Tongue

Proverbs 5:3-4

³ For the lips of a strange woman drop *as* an honeycomb, and her mouth *is* smoother than oil: ⁴ But her end is bitter as wormwood, sharp as a twoedged sword.

There is someone out there that can say it “just right”. That person can tell you things that will capture your heart if you yield to it. Don’t say that it cannot happen.

4. BEWARE OF THE FATAL TOUCH (7:13)

Proverbs 7:13

¹³ So she caught him, and kissed him, *and* with an impudent face said unto him,

1 Corinthians 7:1

¹ Now concerning the things whereof ye wrote unto me: *It is good* for a man not to touch a woman.

A. Touch Can Be Delightful

B. Touch Can Be Deadly

“What Starts As A Touch May End With A Tomb!”

Close:

May we understand the dangers that loom and determine to remain pure.