

## THE LAUGH THAT FEW TALK ABOUT

**THE ADMONITION** – (Gentle reproof; counseling against a fault; instruction in duties; caution; direction.)

**Pro 1:2** To know wisdom and instruction; to perceive the words of understanding;

**Pro 1:3** To receive the instruction of wisdom, justice, and judgment, and equity;

**Pro 1:4** To give subtilty to the simple, to the young man knowledge and discretion.

### THE RESULT

**Pro 1:5** A wise *man* will hear, and will increase learning; and a man of understanding shall attain unto wise counsels:

**Pro 1:6** To understand a proverb, and the interpretation; the words of the wise, and their dark sayings.

**Pro 1:7** The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge: *but* fools despise wisdom and instruction.

**Pro 1:8** My son, hear the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the law of thy mother:

**Pro 1:9** For they *shall be* an ornament of grace unto thy head, and chains about thy neck.

### WARNING ONE

**Pro 1:10** My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not.

**Pro 1:11** If they say, Come with us, let us lay wait for blood, let us lurk privily for the innocent without cause:

**Pro 1:12** Let us swallow them up alive as the grave; and whole, as those that go down into the pit:

**Pro 1:13** We shall find all precious substance, we shall fill our houses with spoil:

**Pro 1:14** Cast in thy lot among us; let us all have one purse:

### WARNING TWO

**Pro 1:15** My son, walk not thou in the way with them; refrain thy foot from their path:

**Pro 1:16** For their feet run to evil, and make haste to shed blood.

**Pro 1:17** Surely in vain the net is spread in the sight of any bird.

**Pro 1:18** And they lay wait for their *own* blood; they lurk privily for their *own* lives.

**Pro 1:19** So *are* the ways of every one that is greedy of gain; *which* taketh away the life of the owners thereof.

### QUESTION

**Pro 1:20** Wisdom crieth without; she uttereth her voice in the streets:

**Pro 1:21** She crieth in the chief place of concourse, in the openings of the gates: in the city she uttereth her words, *saying*,

**Pro 1:22** How long, ye simple ones, will ye love simplicity? and the scorers delight in their scorning, and fools hate knowledge?

### GOD'S REQUEST TO MANKIND

**Pro 1:23** Turn you at my reproof: behold, I will pour out my spirit unto you, I will make known my words unto you.

### WHEN MAN SAYS NO TO GOD'S REQUEST TO TURN TO GOD

**Pro 1:24** Because I have called, and ye refused; I have stretched out my hand, and no man regarded;

**Pro 1:25** But ye have set at nought all my counsel, and would none of my reproof:

### THE LAUGH

**Pro 1:26** I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when your fear cometh;

**Pro 1:27** When your fear cometh as desolation, and your destruction cometh as a whirlwind; when distress and anguish cometh upon you.

**Pro 1:28** Then shall they call upon me, but I will not answer; they shall seek me early, but they shall not find me:

### WHY THE LAUGH

**Pro 1:29** For that they hated knowledge, and did not choose the fear of the LORD:

**Pro 1:30** They would none of my counsel: they despised all my reproof.

**Pro 1:31** Therefore shall they eat of the fruit of their own way, and be filled with their own devices.

**Pro 1:32** For the turning away of the simple shall slay them, and the prosperity of fools shall destroy them.

### A PROMISE

**Pro 1:33** But whoso hearkeneth unto me shall dwell safely, and shall be quiet from fear of evil.