



Sermon Discussion Guide

February 9, 2025 | Proverbs 6:1-22 | Jerrod

***Equipping Season** (March 2-30). Take some time this month to highlight and discuss which class the people in your group will attend. Class descriptions are in the Link in the LG email as well as the announcement email.

SUMMARY

Big Idea: Live Wisely by Avoiding Foolish Behavior

A decent portion of the book of Proverbs includes general principles that have proven true in the lives of God's people. Such principles are everyday insights which are intended to help us think, discern, apply and walk in the way of wisdom. By definition, we could say that wisdom is the truth or instruction needed to facilitate living in harmony with God's creative and redemptive purposes. To live wisely is also echoed in our mission statement, *To live out the Gospel as we Gather & Go*. Verses 1-22 of Proverbs 6 touches on 4 areas of walking wisely: how we handle money, how we work, living differently in light of our faith, and a hopeful charge to push us on to pursuing wisdom.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Intro: What is 1 thing you learned this week?

Did "not knowing" that thing beforehand prove to be humorous, relatively inconsequential or costly? How has what you learned informed how you live?

We can parse out the passage into the following 4 sections:

- 6:1-5 (Loans / Money)
- 6:6-11 (Laziness / Work)
- 6:12-19 (Sowing discord vs laboring for unity)
- 6:20-22 (Call to love, cherish, and delight in the wisdom that informs gospel living)

For each section of verses, ask the following discussion questions (edit/skip as you see fit):

1. What is the main principle the author highlights?
2. Why is this principle important? (Why do we need to hear this?)
3. What other passages in the Bible echo this teaching?
4. What truths do these verses teach about God, ourselves, the world?
5. What would your life look like this week, month, and year ahead, if you put this principle into practice?
6. How does the gospel relate to and inform the motive for living this way?