

Berwyn Church of Christ: Proverbs Study

Date: March 25, 2026	Video Overview of Proverbs
Connecting Scriptures/Thoughts	Proverbs 26:
<p>V1 out of whack, the two do not connect and in fact would be devastating to crops</p> <p>V2 Numbers 23:8</p> <p>V3-6 Dealing with Fools</p> <p>Is there more than one way to deal with a fool?</p> <p>V4-5 Should I respond or keep quiet. 🤔 1 Peter 2:23; 3:15; Titus 3:9; 2 Timothy 2:14;23; Ezekiel 3:18; James 5:19.</p> <p>V 7-12 Nature of Fools and some absurd illustrations</p> <p>V 7 Fools are not open to learning or making applications.</p> <p>V8 sling is worthless if the rock never leaves the sling</p> <p>V9 imagery is a fool picking a piece of wood with a thorn sticking out and not even paying attention</p> <p>V10 one of my favorites, you hire an archer to protect the wall and he just shoots everyone(friend or foe)</p> <p>V11 2 Peter 2:22</p> <p>V12 Importance of Humility; Romans 1:22; Proverbs 3:7; Romans 12:3-5; 1 Cor 4:7</p> <p>V13-16 Nature of a Lazy Man</p>	<p>[1] Like snow in summer or rain in harvest, so honor is not fitting for a fool.</p> <p>[2] Like a sparrow in its flitting, like a swallow in its flying, a curse that is causeless does not alight.</p> <p>[3] A whip for the horse, a bridle for the donkey, and a rod for the back of fools.</p> <p>[4] Answer not a fool according to his folly, lest you be like him yourself.</p> <p>[5] Answer a fool according to his folly, lest he be wise in his own eyes.</p> <p>[6] Whoever sends a message by the hand of a fool cuts off his own feet and drinks violence.</p> <p>[7] Like a lame man's legs, which hang useless, is a proverb in the mouth of fools.</p> <p>[8] Like one who binds the stone in the sling is one who gives honor to a fool.</p> <p>[9] Like a thorn that goes up into the hand of a drunkard is a proverb in the mouth of fools.</p> <p>[10] Like an archer who wounds everyone is one who hires a passing fool or drunkard.</p> <p>[11] Like a dog that returns to his vomit is a fool who repeats his folly.</p> <p>[12] Do you see a man who is wise in his own eyes? There is more hope for a fool than for him.</p> <p>[13] The sluggard says, "There is a lion in the road! There is a lion in the streets!"</p> <p>[14] As a door turns on its hinges, so does a sluggard on his bed.</p> <p>[15] The sluggard buries his hand in the dish; it wears him out to bring it back to his mouth.</p> <p>[16] The sluggard is wiser in his own eyes than seven men who can answer sensibly.</p> <p>[17] Whoever meddles in a quarrel not his own is like one who takes a passing dog by the ears.</p> <p>[18] Like a madman who throws firebrands, arrows, and death</p> <p>[19] is the man who deceives his neighbor and says, "I am only joking!"</p>

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Not a lot of effort being put forth. What is funny about the movement of a door? Lazy man thinks of himself smarter than 7 (perfection) wise men.

V17 Wise people stay away from quarrels that are not their own.

V18-19 Man causing destruction, but then says I was just joking.

V20-22 Words of a Whisperer or talebearer: Power of Silence James 3:6,

V23 sometimes evil people will be good speakers, God says beware. Romans 16:18

V24-26 Secret Hater; Luke 12:2, Judas; John 15:18-20; Luke 6:22;26

V27-28 Esther 7:10; Daniel 6:24-28;

[20] For lack of wood the fire goes out, and where there is no whisperer, quarreling ceases.

[21] As charcoal to hot embers and wood to fire, so is a quarrelsome man for kindling strife.

[22] The words of a whisperer are like delicious morsels; they go down into the inner parts of the body.

[23] Like the glaze covering an earthen vessel are fervent lips with an evil heart.

[24] Whoever hates disguises himself with his lips and harbors deceit in his heart;

[25] when he speaks graciously, believe him not, for there are seven abominations in his heart;

[26] though his hatred be covered with deception, his wickedness will be exposed in the assembly.

[27] Whoever digs a pit will fall into it, and a stone will come back on him who starts it rolling.

[28] A lying tongue hates its victims, and a flattering mouth works ruin. (ESV)