



## Part 6: The Voice of Wisdom

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**What chapter of Proverbs are we in today?** *(circle one)*

A) \_\_\_\_\_ C) \_\_\_\_\_

B) \_\_\_\_\_ D) \_\_\_\_\_

Does not wisdom call out?

Does not understanding raise her voice? – Proverbs 8:1

**Wisdom has a voice.**

**Folly has one, too.** *(Proverbs 9)*

**If wisdom has a voice:**

1) Can you hear it?

2) Will you listen?

At the highest point along the way,

where the paths meet, she takes her stand;

beside the gate leading into the city,

at the entrance, she cries aloud... – Proverbs 8:2-3

**Wisdom makes her voice obvious.**

Wisdom calls out to you.

Folly waits for you.

**If we could hear the voice of wisdom, what would wisdom say?**

Choose my instruction instead of silver,

knowledge rather than choice gold,

for wisdom is more precious than rubies,

and nothing you desire can compare with her. – Proverbs 8:11-12

**1) Choose wisdom over anything else.**

Silver

Wisdom >

Gold

Rubies

Anything you desire

“I, wisdom, dwell together with prudence;  
I possess knowledge and discretion...” – Proverbs 8:12

**2) W = Kn + Di** (Wisdom = Knowledge + Discretion)

Not just knowing the right stuff, but what to do or not do with it.

Wise voice  $\neq$  Reckless voice

Wise voice  $\neq$  Mocking voice

I love those who love me,  
and those who seek me find me. – Proverbs 8:17

For those who find me find life  
and receive favor from the Lord. – Proverbs 8:35

**3) If you seek me, you will find me, and I will give you life.**

Seeking :: Finding

Eating s'mores :: Being happy *It's a promise!*

**We're all graduating today, and the voice of wisdom is calling out!**

Can I hear it?

Will I listen?

### **Small Group Questions**

- 1) What's your favorite chocolate for s'mores? Classic Hershey's? Reese's? Other?
- 2) Is there a time you can remember really seeking out the voice of wisdom? What did you have to do or change to be able to hear it?
- 3) Was there a time you heard the voice of wisdom but choose not to listen? What were the downfalls of that?
- 4) What are one or two big areas of your life where you want to hear the voice of wisdom. How can we pray for you to hear it?
- 5) What do you need prayer for today?