

SUMMER 2025

PROVERBS

FINDING WISDOM IN CHRIST



CENTER CITY CHURCH

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hate knowledge? **23** If you turn at my reproof, behold, I will pour out my spirit to you; I will make my words known to you.

24 Because I have called and you refused to listen, have stretched out my hand and no one has heeded, **25** because you have ignored all my counsel and would have

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none of my reproof, **26** I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when terror strikes you, **27** when terror strikes you like a storm and your calamity comes like a whirlwind, when distress and anguish come upon you. **28** Then they will call upon me, but I will not answer; they will

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seek me diligently but will not find me.

29 Because they hated knowledge and did not choose the fear of the LORD,

30 would have none of my counsel and despised all my reproof, **31** therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way, and have their fill of their own devices.

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32 For the simple are killed by their turning away, and the complacency of fools destroys them; **33** but whoever listens to me will dwell secure and will be at ease, without dread of disaster."

I. God's Call Through Wisdom and Knowledge To Repent

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