

Pity The Fool

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I. Fool Proof

Key Truth: Avoid Foolish Ways

II. Wisdom & Warning

Proverbs 26:1-6

Verse 1 Honor

Verse 2 Speech

Verse 3 Discipline

Verse 4-6 Interaction

Point: Folly Is The Opposite Of Wisdom

III. Living In Fool-Filled Times

Mid-Week Devotion

(Pray & respond to the following)

You are regularly interacting with people who are under the influence of foolhardy, worldly wisdom. They promote the worship of man and material things, reject accountability to God, and actively work to include others in their foolishness because it makes them feel validated. You must learn to avoid their foolish ways while still maintaining your Christian witness.

Foolishness is ultimately a denial and rejection of wisdom. True wisdom comes from God, and when a person embraces foolishness they set themselves in opposition against Him. These poor souls need and deserve your pity. Godly pity is compassion that results in merciful action and careful aid. Followers of Christ have a difficult but important duty, to participate in the rescue of fools without being overtaken by them in the process.

The company of fools is frustrating. The temptation to behave in foolish ways is ongoing. Are you filled with the Holy Spirit so that you are not at risk for becoming like those who need to be reached? Moreover, is there a desire in your heart to see others delivered from slavery to sin and rescued from the self-destruction caused by worldly wisdom? Do not take lightly or fail to heed the warnings God gives throughout His Word about our need for wisdom from above.

Prayerfully consider if there is any foolish way hidden away in your heart or mind. Invite the Holy Spirit to impart wisdom to you in view of being better equipped to carry out His will for your life. Ask God to grant you discernment to spot foolishness in all its forms. Commit to walk in wisdom from the Lord.