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- ▶ "Fool" *nabal* depicts a simpleton and is used thirteen times in Proverbs to denote one who is "morally deficient, lacking in sense and is generally corrupt" (Theological Wordbook of the Old Testament).

1 Samuel 25:25, "Let not my lord, I pray thee, regard this worthless fellow, even Nabal; for as his name is, so is he; Nabal is his name, and folly is with him"

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- ▶ **Those Who Won't Listen To Advice.** Proverbs 1:7; 1:22; 12:15; 23:9; 28:26. (cf. 1 Kings 12:6-15)
- ▶ **Those Who Pay No Attention To Warnings.** Proverbs 10:23; 13:19; 14:16; 22:3; 26:11
- ▶ **Those Who Believe Everything They Hear.** Proverbs 14:15 (cf. 1 Thessalonians 5:21)
- ▶ **Those Who Make A Mockery Of Sin.** Proverbs 14:9; (Jeremiah 8:12; 6:15); Galatians 6:7-8

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- ▶ **Those Who Are Contentious And Get Mad Easily.** Proverbs 14:7, "Leave the presence of a fool, Or you will not discern words of knowledge" (NASU); 18:6; 27:3; Ecclesiastes 7:9; (cf. James 1:18-21)
- ▶ **Those Who Talk Too Much.** Ecclesiastes 10:14; 10:12; 5:2,3; Proverbs 10:19; 18:7; (cf. Matthew 12:35-37; James 3:5ff)
- ▶ **Those Who Are Deceived By Strong Drink.** Proverbs 20:1; 23:29-35
- ▶ **Those Who Say In Their Hearts That There Is No God.** Psalms 14:1, "The fool hath said in his heart, there is no God." (cf. Romans 1:21-28)

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- ▶ **Those Who Will Not Obey. Matthew 7:21-27**
- ▶ The Bible teaches that those who fail to make adequate preparation, who lay up treasures for themselves, but are not rich toward God, are fools. (Matthew 25:1-13; Luke 12:16-21)
- ▶ If you have been a fool in the past, you don't have to remain a fool!