

“My Son, Keep My Words...”

Proverbs 7
Downfall Of A
Young Man

Young People

**Ultimately Will We Lose Them
To The World???**

Young People

Proverbs 7:1-4 “My son, keep my words, And lay up my commandments with thee. Keep my commandments and live; And my law as the apple of thine eye. Bind them upon thy fingers; Write them upon the tablet of thy heart. Say unto wisdom, Thou art my sister; And call understanding (thy) kinswoman.”

PROVERBS 7 THE PERSON TEMPTED

- A “Young man” verse 7
 - cf. Job 28:28
- “Void of understanding” verse 7; 2:11-12; Proverbs 3:13; 16:22; 21:16; 23:23
 - Why? Deuteronomy 6:6-7; 21:18f; Proverbs 15:5
- Was in the wrong company... “Among the simple ones” and “among the youths” verse 7
 - Proverbs 13:20; 1 Corinthians 15:33
 - Many have fallen. Genesis 13:12; 1 Samuel 8; 1 Kings 11:1-13

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- Was idle ... “Passing through the street” verse 8; Ezekiel 16:49
- Was in the wrong place ... “He went the way to her house” verse 8; Proverbs 5:8; 1 Thessalonians 5:22; 1 Pet. 5:8
- Was a night owl ... “...in the twilight, in the evening of the day, in the middle of the night and in the darkness.” verses 8-9; Job 24:15; John 3:19-21

PROVERBS 7 THE PERSON DOING THE TEMPTING

- A married woman verses 19-20; cf. 6:32-33
- Dressed like a prostitute... “The attire of an harlot” verse 10; 1 Timothy 2:9-10; 1 Peter 3:1-4

Contrast

1 Timothy 2:9

Not

- Braided hair
- Gold, pearls
- Costly raiment

But

- Modesty
- Shamefastness
- Sobriety
- Professing godliness
- quietness

1 Peter 3:1-4

Not

- Braided hair
- Outward adorning
- Jewels, Apparel

But

- Hidden man of heart
- Meek & Quiet

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 - "Impudent face" verse 13
- Crafty and cunning ... "Wily of heart" verse 10

PROVERBS 7 THE PERSON DOING THE TEMPTING

- Boisterous and unruly ... "Loud and stubborn" verse 11; cf. Proverbs 31:10-31 Worthy Woman.

- Gadabout ... "Her feet abide not in her house" verse 11; Titus 2:5; 1 Timothy 5:13-14

PROVERBS 7 THE PERSON DOING THE TEMPTING

- Forward and indecent ... "She caught him and kissed him" verse 13; cf. Jeremiah 6:15
- Courted him to eat with her ... Seems religious... "I have peace offerings with me" verses 14-15
- Pretended great affection ... "Therefore, came I forth to meet thee ... I have found thee" verse 15; cf. Genesis 3:3-4

PROVERBS 7 THE PERSON DOING THE TEMPTING

- Courted him to lie with her ... verses 16-18; cf. 1 Corinthians 6:18; Genesis 39:7ff

- Anticipates and removes his objections. verses 19-20

PROVERBS 7 SUCCESS OF THE TEMPTATION Verses 21-23

- "Her much fair speech" "The flattering of her lips" verse 21; cf. Proverbs 5:3-5; 12:2; 29:5
- The young man's own ignorance. Verses 22-23; cf. 2 Peter 2:14; Proverbs 22:1; 1 Corinthians 6:9-10; Galatians 5:19-21

PROVERS 7
THE LESSON Verses 24-27

- Harken to the right one ... "Unto me"
verse 24
- Take good counsel when it is given ...
verse 25
- Take fair warning when it is given ...
verses 26-27
- Look back ... Look forward