



# *The Way of Morality*

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**TEXT: Proverbs 7**

**Introduction:** The opening paragraph of the Book of Proverbs summarizes the message of the whole book: “*The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and instruction*” (**Proverbs 1:7**). There are two contrasting ways to live: the way of the wise and the way of the foolish. Throughout this series we will see several things that can help us to walk in the “way of the wise.” In this particular lesson, we will notice the way of morality. Let’s study together....

**Discussion:**

## ***I. The Way of the Wise = Morality***

The morally wise value direction (**Proverbs 7:1-5**).

The morally wise look out for seduction (**Proverbs 7:6-20**).

The morally wise seek to avoid destruction (**Proverbs 7:21-23**).

The morally wise heed instruction (**Proverbs 7:24-27**).

## ***II. The Way of the Foolish = Immorality***

The immoral fool despises direction (**Proverbs 12:15**).

The immoral fool embraces seduction (**Proverbs 15:21**).

The immoral fool welcomes destruction (**Proverbs 26:1-12**).

The immoral fool rejects instruction (**Proverbs 29:1**).

**Conclusion:** There are only two ways to live: the way of the wise and the way of the foolish. When we choose the wrong way it results in the tragic consequences of pain and death (**Romans 3:23, 6:23**). However, Jesus now provides the path for us to be reconciled to God. Will you surrender to Him? Will you believe in Him? Will you repent of your sins? Will you confess your faith? Will you be immersed into His blood? What path will you choose?

***WORD OF THE DAY = “MORALITY”***