

***“The Art of Skillful Living – Week 2”***

Proverbs 1:8-19

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**Discussion Questions**

ICEBREAKER: What’s something your friends influenced you to do, for better or worse?

WISDOM PROTECTS US FROM THE INFLUENCE OF FOOLS.

1) WISDOM’S PARENTAL WARNING (v. 8,9)

2) AGAINST BEING ENTICED BY FOOLS (v. 10-14)

3) CAN SAVE YOU FROM A FOOL’S FATE (v. 15-19)

READ AHEAD FOR NEXT WEEK: Proverbs 1:20-33

1) Who is advising whom in verse 8?

2) What’s the significance of the garland and the necklace?

3) Describe the appeals that the sinful men use to entice in verses 10-14.

4) What might be appealing about these enticements?

5) What are the consequences for falling into these temptations (v. 15-19)?

6) Read: Proverbs 13:20, 14:7, 22:24-25, 25:26, and 1 Corinthians 15:33.

7) How have your friends affected the direction of your life?

8) How have they affected the quality of your life?

9) How does the fear of God influence how we chose our relationships?

10) What benefits come from choosing wise friends?

11) Who are your wisest friends and how have they blessed you?

12) How can we pray for you this week?