

WISDOM IN, WISDOM OUT

PROVERBS 4:20-29 (ESV)

I. We can _____ and _____ our own wisdom (or lack thereof) by paying attention to our own mouths, eyes, and feet.

A. Mouths: what we say, shout, _____, and _____.

1. A foolish mouth _____, blasphemes, and _____ others down.

2. A wise mouth speaks God-_____, edifying _____.

B. Eyes: what we _____ our _____ on.

1. Foolish eyes chase after “crooked” things against _____ and vocation.

2. Wise eyes stay on the prize of God’s _____ and purposes.

C. Feet: what and how we _____ to _____.

1. Foolish feet get consistently tripped up, because foolish lifestyles are _____ to self and others.

2. Wise feet are sure, because they walk in the way _____ by God.

II. All these outward signs of wisdom and foolishness flow from a _____ heart.

A. For your mouth, eyes, and feet to be _____, you have to _____ your heart.

III. Our heart is shaped through our _____ and _____.

A. What you _____, what you _____, and who you _____ to matters.

1. When our hearts are shaped by wisdom, the inevitable result is a _____.

2. Living in a fallen world, we cannot always _____ its garbage. Thus, we must have wisdom to _____ the difference.

3. When discerning the wisdom of a message and messenger, compare the message and the messenger against the _____ of _____.

B. For the weak, immature, and ignorant, it is simply best to avoid garbage by default—and we must be _____ about our _____ in this regard.