

**GOD'S WISDOM FOR LIFE, PART 2:
"THE ENTICEMENT OF SINNERS"
PROVERBS 1:8-19**

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*Listen to wise instruction & teaching,
not to sin's temptation though it'll be enticing.*

- ⁸ Hear, my son, your father's instruction,
and forsake not your mother's teaching,
⁹ for they are a graceful garland for your head
and pendants for your neck.
¹⁰ My son, if sinners entice you,
do not consent.
¹¹ If they say, "Come with us, let us lie in wait for blood;
let us ambush the innocent without reason;
¹² like Sheol let us swallow them alive,
and whole, like those who go down to the pit;
¹³ we shall find all precious goods,
we shall fill our houses with plunder;
¹⁴ throw in your lot among us;
we will all have one purse"—
¹⁵ my son, do not walk in the way with them;
hold back your foot from their paths,
¹⁶ for their feet run to evil,
and they make haste to shed blood.
¹⁷ For in vain is a net spread
in the sight of any bird,
¹⁸ but these men lie in wait for their own blood;
they set an ambush for their own lives.
¹⁹ Such are the ways of everyone who is greedy for unjust gain;
it takes away the life of its possessors.

Overview

- I. The wisdom of a father (vv. 8-9)
- II. The enticement of sinners (vv. 10-19)
 - A. Sin will be enticing (vv. 10-15)
 - B. Sin will lead to death (vv. 15-19)

Matthew 4:8-10 (ESV)

⁸ Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. ⁹ And he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me."

¹⁰ Then Jesus said to him, "Be gone, Satan! For it is written,

"You shall worship the Lord your God
and him only shall you serve."

Life Applications:

1. **Be ready - Anticipate that you will be tempted to sin, and that it will be enticing.**
 - i. What are you personally tempted/enticed to do recently?
 - ii. What are you personally trying to gain by engaging in that sin?
 - iii. What would be the ultimate outcome of that sin?
2. **Seek godly wisdom**
 - a. From God's Word
 - b. From God's people
3. **Ask for accountability**