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Proverbs 3:13-18 says ⇒ “Happy is the man who ***finds*** wisdom, and the man who gets understanding. For its profit is better than the gain from silver, and its increase more than fine gold; she is more precious than rubies, and **all the things you can desire are not** to be **compared with her**. Length of days is in her right hand, riches and honor in her left hand. Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths peace. She is a tree of life to the ones who lay hold on her, and happy are the ones **holding her fast**.”

The word “***finds***” means “***comes forth to***”. In other words, ***we have to move ourselves*** in wisdom’s specific direction; wisdom does not move towards us (but does call out to us ⇒ Proverbs 1:20; 8:1). ***IF we find wisdom***, we can get (*literally secure*) ***understanding***. **Understanding is the fruit of wisdom**. Proverbs 3:13 ⇒ says **this two-step process** *literally* makes us “straight, right, level, happy”... a wonderful way to live! (God’s will!).

This **wisdom requires romancing**: Proverbs 2:10-22 ⇒ if wisdom (or anything) owns our head but not our heart, then we are vulnerable to counterfeits, sabotage and darkness. Wisdom needs to be valued and protected like a sister ⇒ Proverbs 7:4. Wisdom will be found on the lips of those with understanding ⇒ Proverbs 10:13... proof that it is actually abundant in our heart ⇒ Matthew 12:34. **Wisdom must be intimately loved to function**.

More common and **opposite to romancing wisdom** is **being sensually seduced** which is effortless. Like wisdom, it also has female characteristics... but demonically assigned ones to seek and destroy those without wisdom and understanding ⇒ Proverbs 7:5-27. Wisdom and seduction cannot co-exist, so those who try both by compromise **suffer** compromised lifestyles. As intimacy with *God* demands *our* intimacy, so works wisdom.

Understanding cannot protect us if we flirt or relax with being sensually seduced!

Regarding these female voices that call us by name (i.e. *Wisdom* and *Foolishness*) **Wisdom becomes a wonderful wife**. **Covenant** is her only way: she requires everything but **she gives everything pleurably and unconditionally!** ⇒ Proverbs 8:1-35; James 1:5. **Foolishness is adultery on a mission**: her lust burns hot by the fire of hell itself; her true passion is perfectly masked by her ice cold spirit. **Condition** is her only way: seduction is used to hide **her only goal: to damn the souls of her fools** ⇒ Proverbs 9:13-18; 7:5-27.

From your personal life details which no one knows about (except God by knowledge and Satan by sight) to global events and the Revelation of the Lordship of Jesus Christ ⇒ Revelation 17, understand **wisdom requires romancing** **and** **foolishness seeks death**. This applies to our relationship with God and to our marriage and to every other area of Christian life: **spiritual warfare is all about where we put our free will intimacy!**

Romance is an eternal necessity, not a human invention. Hell is for rejecters of God’s intimacy, and romance is the human response God empowers to build intimacy. Wisdom and its subsequent knowledge, Proverbs 3:19-26 ⇒ refer to our thought life (v.22), our sex life (*literally translated* v.23-24) and our sleep (v.24) which are all related here by the word ***ruminate***: saying **wisdom and understanding give grace to our repetitive thinking** so that our life, marital sex, and sleep are sweet. **Wisdom requires romancing... do it. ♥**