**November 17th, 2019**

**Spiced Wine or Stolen Water**

*Proverbs 9*

1. What comes to mind when you think of the Old Testament?
2. **Read Proverbs 9.**
3. Dr. Parker defined “*wisdom as the embodiment of God’s law in each individual, in each house, and in the community*.” With this definition in mind, how can we seek to attain wisdom in our individual lives, our homes and in our church community?
4. What are some of the action phrases associated with wisdom in ***Proverbs 9:1-6***?
5. Why does wisdom encourage people to return to their communities after partaking of her feast?
6. What are some of the action phrases associated with folly in ***Proverbs 9:13-18***?
7. What is significant about folly sitting at her doorway inviting people to enter her home?
8. Dr. Parker asserts that folly’s house is dimly lit, what does this point reveal to us about folly’s intentions for those who enter her house?
9. Wisdom provides her invited guests with a full feast, while folly offers her guests stolen water and bread made in secret. What does the contrast in the meals being offered reveal to us about wisdom’s character and folly’s character?
10. Dr. Parker invited us to chew on a spoonful of spices like we would chew on wisdom. What are some practices you can implement in your day to day lives to help you to accept wisdom’s invitation and reject folly’s invitation?