Beware of the Promises You Make

Last – sermon: Prov 5: 15-23 – wisdoms marriage

- 1. Wisdom's protection: the wife of your youth (vv 15-19)
- 2. Wisdom's discernment: adultery, answering to God, count the cost
- Three key points in Proverbs 6: 1-15
 - 1. Watch out for who you make alliances with (6:1-5)
 - 2. Watch out for slothfulness or laziness (6:6-11)
 - 3. Watch out for the pathway of corruption (6:12-15)

I. What Out for Who you Make Alliances With (6:1-5)

- A. Cautionary counsel on surety (6:1,2)
- Surety for friends and strangers
 - "My son, if you become surety for your friend "
 - "Shaken hands in a pledge"
 - "Snared in your words, taken by the words of your mouth"

II. Deliverance and Humility (6: 3-5)

- So do this, my son, deliver yourself...
 - "For you have come into the hand of your friend"
 - "God humble yourself; plead with your friend"
 - "Give no sleep to your eyes, slumber to your eye lids"
 - "Deliver yourself like a gazelle from the hand of the hunter"
 - "Like a bird from the hand of the fowler"

Follow my Example (Philippians 3: 17-21)

Last message: Phil 3: 12-16 "Onward and upward"

- 1. Pressing on, laying hold of Christ Jesus (3:12-14)
- 2. Mature in their thinking: A mind fixed on Christ alone (3:15,16)

I. The Exemplary walk (3:17)

- "Brethren, join in following my example"
- "Note those who so walk, as you have us for a pattern"

II. Warning Against the Wrong Path – the Wary of the Flesh (3:18)

- for many walk,
- or whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping
- that they are the enemies of the cross."

III. Characteristics or Marks of the Wrong Path (3:19)

- whose end is destruction
- whose god is their belly
- and whose glory is their shame
- who set their minds on earthly

IV. Heavenly Citizenship (3:20)

- For our citizenship is from heaven
- From which we also eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ

V. Transformation and Submission (3:21)

- Who will transform our lowly body that it may be conformed to His glorious body
- According to the working by which He is able even to subdue all things to Himself