FOOLISH

Daily Meditation - Sunday October 19, 2025

Foolish defined from the Webster's Dictionary is, "Lacking in sense, judgment, or discretion, marked by loss of composure." Let us go to the Book of Proverbs to gain some insight.

The Living Word states, "Leave the presence of a fool, or you will not discern words of knowledge. The wisdom of the sensible is to understand his way, but the foolishness of fools is deceit. Fools mock at sin, but among the upright there is good will" (Pr. 14:7-9). That is very strong language, let us read that one more time. It stated I will not understand what I need to understand if I do not run from a fool.

The Bible also informs us, "A whip is for the horse, a bridle for the donkey, and a rod for the back of fools. Do not answer a fool according to his folly, or you will also be like him. Answer a fool as his folly deserves, that he not be wise in his own eyes. He cuts off his own feet and drinks violence who sends a message by the hand of a fool. Like the legs which are useless to the lame, so is a proverb in the mouth of fools. Like one who binds a stone in a sling, so is he who gives honor to a fool. Like a thorn which falls into the hand of a drunkard, so is a proverb in the mouth of fools. Like an archer who wounds everyone, so is he who hires a fool or who hires those who pass by. Like a dog that returns to its vomit is a fool who repeats his folly. Do you see a man wise in his own eyes? There is more hope for a fool than for him" (Pr. 26:3-12).

I want to focus on this, "Leave the presence of a fool, or you will not discern words of knowledge." I take it, that means a fool talking through the TV such as news media and/or the internet as well.

SCRIPTURE READING: Read one Proverb a day. If it is the first day of the month read the first. If it is the second, read the second, and so on.

PRAYER FOR SALVATION – Father God, I repent of all my sins, and I believe You raised Jesus from the dead. I confess that Jesus Christ is the Lord of my life. Jesus, wash me with your holy blood. Holy Spirit fill me so I can be a mighty witness for King Jesus!

¹ All Scripture quotations, unless otherwise noted, are from the *New American Standard Bible*.