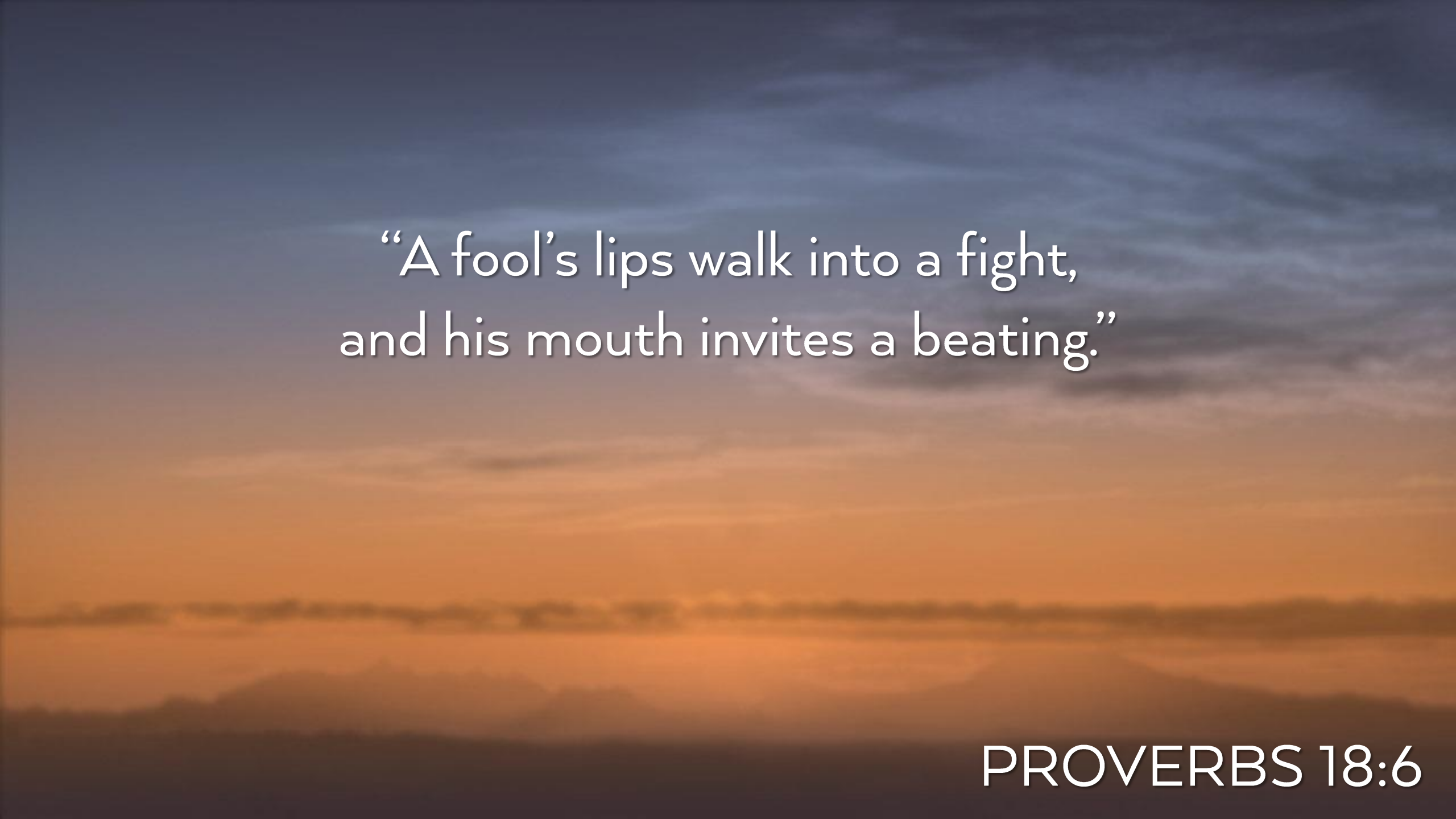

PROVERBS

THE BEGINNING OF WISDOM

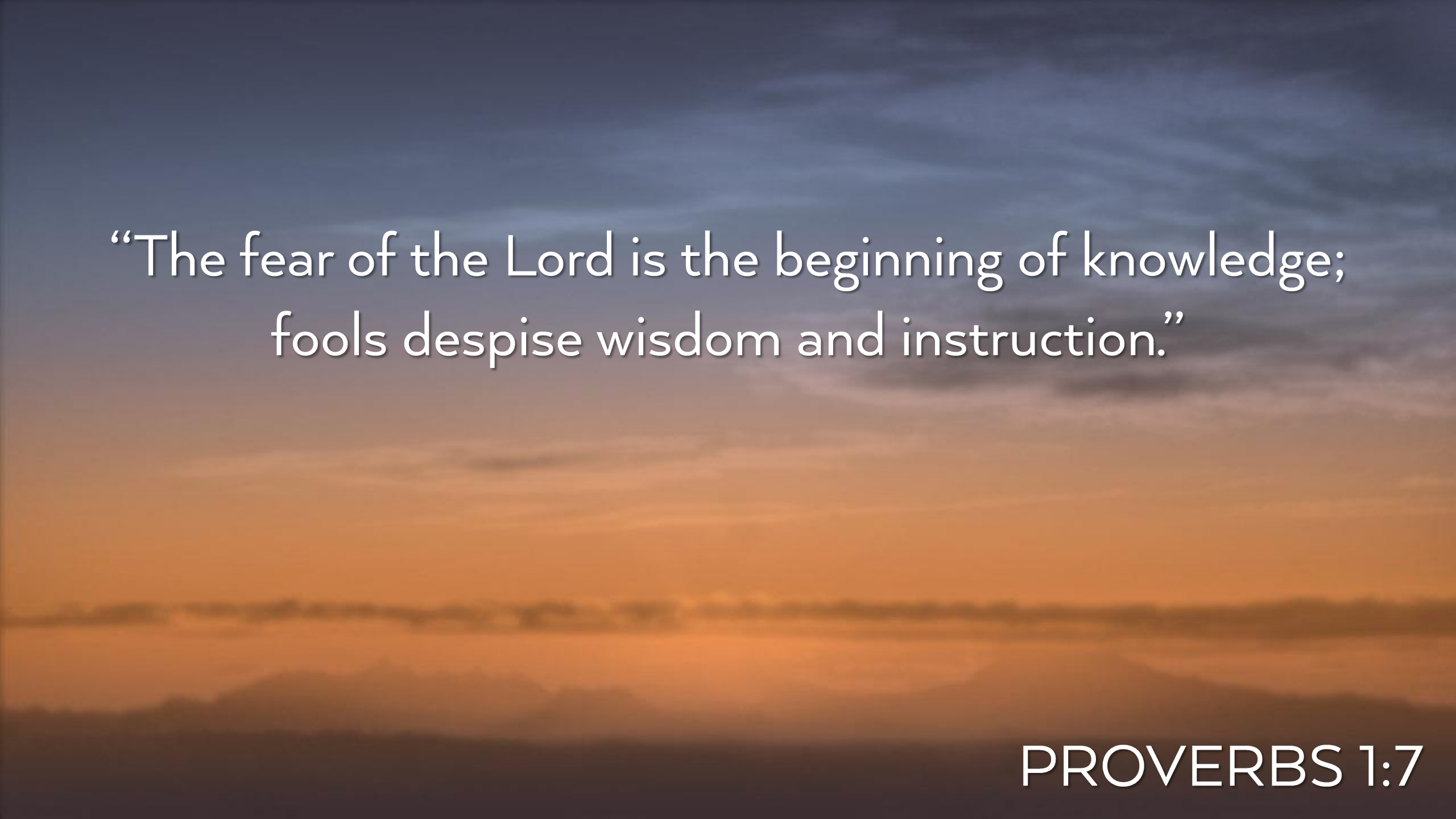


THE SIMPLE



“A fool’s lips walk into a fight,
and his mouth invites a beating.”

PROVERBS 18:6



“The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge;
fools despise wisdom and instruction.”

PROVERBS 1:7



"What if we have love but not wisdom, we will harm people with the best of intentions. If we have courage but not wisdom, we will blunder boldly. If we have truth but not wisdom, we will make the gospel ugly to other people. If we have technology but not wisdom, we will use the best communications ever invented to broadcast stupidity. If we have revival but not wisdom, we'll use the power of God to throw the church into reverse gear. But wisdom knows how to spread the gospel with no embarrassing regrets."

RAY ORTLUND

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THE SIMPLE DEFINED

the simple-uncommitted, easily influenced,
open to good and bad ideas

THE SIMPLE DEFINED

“To give prudence to the simple,
knowledge and discretion to the youth...”

PROVERBS 1:4

THE SIMPLE DEFINED

“One does not stay still: a man who is empty-headed will end up wrong-headed.”

DEREK KIDNER

THE SIMPLE DEFINED

“The backslider in heart will be filled with the fruit of his ways, and a good man will be filled with the fruit of his ways. The simple believes everything, but the prudent gives thought to his steps.”

PROVERBS 14:14-15

THE SIMPLE DEFINED

“The prudent sees danger and hides himself,
but the simple go on and suffer for it.”

PROVERBS 22:3

THE SIMPLE DEFINED

“The simple inherit folly, but the prudent are crowned with knowledge.”

PROVERBS 14:8

THE SIMPLE DEFINED

For at the window of my house I have looked out through my lattice, and I have seen among the simple, I have perceived among the youths, a young man lacking sense...

PROVERBS 7:6-7

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THE SIMPLE EXAMINED

"Until we come alive to God, it seems cool to stand aloof and laugh at everything. It feels superior. But it is foolish, because we are not neutral. We don't have a devil on one shoulder and an angel on the other. We have no angel. We have only a devil of a heart telling us we are angels, and we believe it."

RAY ORTLUND

THE SIMPLE SET FREE

“Strike a scoffer, and the simple will learn prudence;
reprove a man of understanding, and he will gain knowledge.”

PROVERBS 19:25

THE SIMPLE SET FREE

“When a scoffer is punished, the simple becomes wise;
when a wise man is instructed, he gains knowledge.”

PROVERBS 21:11

THE SIMPLE SET FREE

“Whoever is simple, let him turn in here! To him who lacks sense she says, ‘Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. Leave your simple ways, and live, and walk in the way of insight.’”

PROVERBS 9:4-6

THE SIMPLE SET FREE

“Whoever is simple, let him turn in here! And to him who lacks sense she says, ‘Stolen water is sweet, and bread eaten in secret is pleasant.’ But he does not know that the dead are there, that her guests are in the depths of Sheol.”

PROVERBS 9:16-18

THE SIMPLE SET FREE

“The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple...”

Psalms 19:7

“The unfolding of your words gives light; it imparts understanding to the simple.”

Psalms 119:130

THE SIMPLE SET FREE

“Let no one deceive himself. If anyone among you thinks that he is wise in this age, let him become a fool that he may become wise.”

I CORINTHIANS 3:18