## I Was A Fool

Before I was saved by the grace of God, I was a fool. I thought sin was fun and bad behavior was funny. I thought very little about whether or not the way I was living was pleasing to God. I had little concern about the next life, except maybe when someone I knew died. I thought I was good enough to get to heaven – even if I had to spend a little time in Purgatory, a nonexistent place invented by the Catholic church. From my perspective, as someone spiritually blind and spiritually dead I shared the same outlook on life as just about everyone else who is currently under the wrath of God, waiting for their heart to stop beating, and to stand before the Judgment throne of the Almighty, to be judged, found guilty, and cast into everlasting fire. How about YOU? Are YOU a fool?...

"For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?

or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?" [Matthew 16:26]

Are you living as if this life is all there is?

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Are you living as if a sinner like you is OK in the eyes of an infinitely holy God?

Are you living as if your appointment with death and with God will never come?

## Then YOU are a fool... God says so right here:

Proverbs 10:23 '**It is as sport to a fool to do mischief**: but a man of understanding hath wisdom."

Proverbs 12:15 "**The way of a fool is right in his own eyes**: but he that hearkeneth unto counsel is wise."

Proverbs 13:19 "The desire accomplished is sweet to the soul: but **it is abomination to fools to depart from evil**."

Proverbs 14:16 "A wise man feareth, and departeth from evil: but **the fool rageth, and is confident**."

Proverbs 17:10 "A reproof entereth more into a wise man than an hundred stripes into a fool."

Proverbs 18:2 "**A fool hath no delight in understanding**, but that his heart may discover itself."

Proverbs 18:7 "A fool's mouth is his destruction, and his lips are the

## snare of his soul."

Proverbs 23:9 "Speak not in the ears of a fool: for he will despise the wisdom of thy words."

 $Proverbs\ 26:11\ "As a dog returneth to his vomit, so a fool returneth to his folly."$ 

Proverbs 28:26 "**He that trusteth in his own heart is a fool**: but whoso walketh wisely, he shall be delivered."

Proverbs 29:11 "**A fool uttereth all his mind**: but a wise man keepeth it in till afterwards."