



SCRIPTURE: Proverbs 1:20-33; 1 Samuel 13:13-14, 15:2-3

KEY VERSE:

Proverbs 1:32—For the waywardness of the simple will kill them, and the complacency of fools will destroy them.

KEY THEMES:

† Foolishness leads to destruction

THIS WEEK:

Remind your child that everyone does something foolish or wrong and that there is a difference between doing something foolish and repenting from it and doing something foolish and continuing in your foolishness. Explain that the true fool continues in his foolishness; the wise man repents and runs from foolishness.

This week share with your child some life stories of foolish people whose lives have ended in destruction. These may be examples of people you know, people from history, people you have read about, or people from the Bible. In each case, make the point that foolishness leads to destruction. You may want to take one person and chart out the foolish events in his life with your child. (The chart could be made in the form of a downward spiral.) Talk with your child about what could have been the underlying heart attitude behind the foolish actions. Remind your child that sometimes the results of foolishness are not obviously seen for many years, but that continued foolishness always ends in destruction.

Read some fairy tales with your child. Point out that in the end, good wins and evil loses. Remind your child that even though these are not true stories, the principle that foolishness leads to destruction is a Biblical truth.

Encourage your child in his Proverbs reading and memorizing.