

# God Is Crying Out

## Scripture

“Wisdom calls aloud outside; She raises her voice in the open squares. 21 She cries out in the chief concourses, At the openings of the gates in the city She speaks her words: 22 "How long, you simple ones, will you love simplicity? For scorners delight in their scorning, And fools hate knowledge. 23 Turn at my rebuke; Surely I will pour out my spirit on you; I will make my words known to you. 24 Because I have called and you refused, I have stretched out my hand and no one regarded, 25 Because you disdained all my counsel, And would have none of my rebuke, 26 I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when your terror comes, 27 When your terror comes like a storm, And your destruction comes like a whirlwind, When distress and anguish come upon you. 28 "Then they will call on me, but I will not answer; They will seek me diligently, but they will not find me. 29 Because they hated knowledge And did not choose the fear of the LORD, 30 They would have none of my counsel And despised my every rebuke. 31 Therefore they shall eat the fruit of their own way, And be filled to the full with their own fancies. 32 For the turning away of the simple will slay them, And the complacency of fools will destroy them; 33 But whoever listens to me will dwell safely, And will be secure, without fear of evil.” (Pr 1:20-33 NKJV)

## Commentary

God is crying out, but the problem is very few are listening. The simple love simplicity, the scorners love their scorning, and fools hate knowledge. However, God has not stopped calling out to them. He desires that they turn from their ignorance and darkness.

This gracious act will come to an end some day. When their calamity comes God will let them eat of the fruit of their own way. God will not answer if they wait until calamity is upon them. Even if they seek Him diligently, He will hide from them and they will not find Him.

Let's join God and be the voice of wisdom. “[R]edeeming the time, because the days are evil.” (Eph 5:16 NKJV) God will not always suffer the wickedness of our fellow man. We must have compassion on them and deliver the truth in hope that God will have mercy on some. Let's take the gospel light into the church and create a freshening breeze to stir the hearts of those being carried away by contrary winds. God has promise that those who listen will dwell in safety and be secure without fear. How will they hear without a preacher?

Do you truly love? If you do, surely you will reach out with the truth.