

Proverbs 9:1

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Wisdom hath builded her house, she hath hewn out her seven pillars:

Analysis

Wisdom's house on seven pillars suggests completeness and stability (seven being the number of perfection). This prepared dwelling anticipates the church as God's household (1 Timothy 3:15) and the heavenly banquet (Revelation 19:9). Wisdom offers prepared provision for all who will enter.

Historical Context

Wealthy households featured pillared halls for banquets and gatherings. Wisdom's house surpasses earthly dwellings, offering superior hospitality to those who respond to her invitation.

Related Passages

Romans 10:9 — Confession and belief for salvation

John 3:16 — God's love and salvation

Matthew 25:31 — Final judgment

Romans 2:1 — Judging others

Study Questions

1. How does dwelling in God's wisdom provide stability and security for your life?
2. In what ways have you experienced wisdom's generous provision?

Interlinear Text

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Wisdom	hath builded	her house	she hath hewn out	pillars	her seven
H2454	H1129	H1004	H2672	H5982	H7651

Additional Cross-References

Matthew 16:18 (Parallel theme): And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

Revelation 3:12 (Parallel theme): Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, which is new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and I will write upon him my new name.

Galatians 2:9 (Parallel theme): And when James, Cephas, and John, who seemed to be pillars, perceived the grace that was given unto me, they gave to me and Barnabas the right hands of fellowship; that we should go unto the heathen, and they unto the circumcision.

1 Kings 7:21 (Parallel theme): And he set up the pillars in the porch of the temple: and he set up the right pillar, and called the name thereof Jachin: and he set up the left pillar, and called the name thereof Boaz.

1 Timothy 3:15 (Parallel theme): But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth.

1 Kings 7:6 (Parallel theme): And he made a porch of pillars; the length thereof was fifty cubits, and the breadth thereof thirty cubits: and the porch was before them: and the other pillars and the thick beam were before them.

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