

**Sermon Questions for Sunday, August 1, 2021**  
**Proverbs: Practices & Rituals...Hold to God's Instructions**  
**Proverbs 9:1-6; 13-18**

1. What is your favorite Olympic sport (summer or winter) and/or Olympian to watch?
2. In her sermon, Ashley stated that it is the last distinction between Lady Wisdom's and Lady Folly's invitations that is most important: one invitation leads to life and one invitation leads to death. How and/or why does wisdom lead to life? How and/or why does folly lead to death?
3. What is your response (thoughts, feelings, questions, etc.) to being called "simple" and "senseless" by both ladies? What makes us "simple" and senseless?
4. In her sermon, Ashley stated that one of her favorite theological concepts is called "divine accommodation," the belief that God does everything in God's power to communicate and to relate to us. What is your response (thoughts, feelings, questions, etc.) to this idea? Where else in scripture do you see God acting in this way?
5. How is the sacrament of communion an example of divine accommodation?
6. In her sermon, Ashley stated that in the reformed tradition, communion isn't simply an act of remembering, it is an invitation into the very presence of God. Are you familiar with this idea? How have you experienced this before?
7. What does the sacrament of communion "fill" us with? Why do you think it is important to celebrate communion regularly?
8. How does the sacrament of communion help us embrace God's wisdom and instruction?
9. How might you remember the promises of communion throughout the next month? What physical practices can you do that will remind you of the gifts of life and wisdom that communion offers?