The Seven Pillars of Wisdom
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Proverbs 9:1-10

1 Wisdom (chokmah) has built her house, she has hewn out her seven pillars:

2 She has killed (tabakh - slaughtered) her beasts (tebach); she has mingled (mawsak - spiced) her wine (yahyin); she has also furnished (awrak - ordered) her table (shulkhan).

3 She has sent forth (shawlakh) her maidens (na'ahrah): she cries aloud (qara' - calls out) upon (gaf - at the arch) the highest places (mawrome - above) of the city (kehreth).

4 Whoso is simple, let him turn in hither: as for him that wants understanding, she says to him,

5 Come (yawlakh), eat (lacham) of my bread (lechem), and drink (shotah) of the wine (yahyin) which I have mingled (mawsak - spiced).

6 Forsake (ditch) the foolish (chay), and live (cher) in the way (dehrek) of understanding (binah).

7 He that reproves (yasar - chastise) a scorner (shal) gets to himself shame (aphore): and he that rebukes (yosar - chastise) a wicked (ra - sha' - feminine) man gets himself a blot (moom).

8 Reprove (yadah) not a scorner (shal), lest he hate (ahav) you: rebuke (yaw-kakh - correct) a wise man (chakam), and he will love (ahav) you.

9 Give (natan) instruction to a wise man (chakam), and he will be yet wiser: teach (yada' - know) a just (tzadik - righteous) man, and he will increase in learning (chek).

10 The fear (yirah - awesome reverence) of Yahuah (tehilah - commencement) is the beginning (tekilah - commencement) of wisdom (chokmah): and the knowledge (da'at) of the holy (qadosh) is understanding (binah).

Seven Pillars:

1. Eat of the bread (this is My body) (Marcus 14:22)
2. Drink of the wine (blood of the renewed covenant) (Marcus 14:23-24)
3. Forsake the foolish (pearls before swine) (Matt. 7:6)
4. Go in the way of understanding
**Romans 12:2** And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of Elohiym. (Ketercha Elohiym)

5. Correct the wise man (Revelation 3:19)
6. Give instruction to the wise man

**1 Corinthians 2:6-16** Howbeit we speak wisdom (chokmah) among them that are perfect: yet not the wisdom of this world, nor of the princes of this world, that come to nought: 7 But we speak the wisdom (chokmah) of Elohiym in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which Elohiym ordained before the world unto our glory (hod or kavod): 8 Which none of the princes of this world knew (da'at): for had they known it, they would not have crucified the Adonai of glory (hod or kavod). 9 But as it is written, Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which Elohiym has prepared for them that love him. 10 But Elohiym has revealed (ףוֹחוֹב קָזַי galah ozen) them unto us by his Ruach: for the Ruach searches* all things, yea, the deep things of Elohiym.

11 For what man knows the things of a man, save the spirit (nefesh) of man which is in him? even so the things of Elohiym knows no man, but the Ruach Elohiym. 12 Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Ruach which is of Elohiym; that we might know (yada’) the things that are freely given to us of Elohiym.13 Which things also we speak, not in the words which man’s wisdom teaches (yada’), but which the Ruach Ha’Qodesh teaches (yada’); comparing spiritual things with spiritual.

14 But the natural man receives not the things of the Ruach Elohiym: for they are foolishness to him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned. 15 But he that is spiritual judges (diyn – judge) all things, yet he himself is judged of no man. 16 For who has known (da’at) the mind of Yahuah, that he may instruct him? But we have the mind of HaMashiach.

**Proverbs 2:3** Yea, if you cry אוֹרֹק after knowledge הַּינוֹב (binah), and lift up נַפְשָׁת your voice הָלָה for understanding הַּיָּה (tabuah); If you seek חַלַּפֶּק (bawkah – search out) her as silver חָשַׁב, and searchest חֲשֵׁב (khaphas) for her as for hid treasures יַהְסֵמַן (matmone); 5 Then shall you understand בָּנִים (ben) the fear יָרָא (yiraw) of Yahuah יַבָלוֹב, and find מַצָּא (matza) the knowledge הָנָשָׁה (da’at) of Elohiym קִבָּה.