## Playing the Fool

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Introduction

- 1. 1 Samuel 26:21
- 2. The Bible speaks of men being fools or foolish Psalm 14:1 Matthew 7:26
  - a. Fool is used 66 times
  - b. Fools is used 42 times
  - c. Foolish is used 52 times
- 3. There are lessons to be learned by studying these individuals, yet there is little to be profited from this study unless we learn and apply the lessons to our life.
- 4. Let us study and learn from some people in the Bible who played the fool

II Discussion

- 1. King Saul the hot tempered fool 1 Samuel 26:21
  - a. He was angry with David for no good reason Matthew 5:21-22
  - b. His anger led him to play the fool. Emotions controlled him
    - i. Anger Ephesians 5:26
    - ii. Youthful lust 2 Timothy 2:22
- 2. The Atheistic Fool Psalm 14:1; 53:1
  - a. How does he know there is no God?
    - b. Who built this building Hebrews 3:4; Romans 1:20
      - i. Big bang, when did that start anything positive
      - ii. Macro or Micro evolution when did one species change into another
      - iii. When did it all begin,
        - 1. When Adam was created how old did he appear to be?
        - 2. Trees?
        - 3. Animals reproducing
        - 4. plants reproducing
  - c. They must deny the Laws of Thermodynamics
- 3. A House building fool Luke 6:46-49
  - a. All are building every day of our lives
  - b. We must be careful of the foundation upon which we are building
  - c. Christ is a sure foundation Matthew 16:13-18; 1 Corinthians 3:11
  - d. Do we want to be wise or foolish?
    - i. Foolish Proverbs 23:9; 24:7; 12:15
    - ii. Wise Proverbs 8:33; 9:9; 10:1,8,15
  - e. What foundation are you building upon?
- 4. A Barn-building Fool Luke 12:15-20; Jeremiah 17:11
  - a. The ground brought forth plentifully God's providence, what are we doing with the plentifully?
  - b. Helping other Ephesians 4:28; Galatians 6:10; 1 John 3:17
  - c. Covetousness Colossians 3:5 is idolatry
  - d. Low estimated of his soul needs, only thought of the material
    - i. There is a time of accountability, it is sometimes when we least expect it. 2 Corinthians 5:10; Matthew 25:15, 19
    - ii. His soul would be required of God, never given to God
    - iii. Righteous man has given his soul to God already
  - e. Whose shall these things be not yours!
  - f. What are we doing with what we have?

## **III** Conclusion

Are you listening?
Are you wise or foolish?
The time of rescue may soon be over
Come now

Sources: Old Sermon, Clarke; Barnes; Wallace; Coffman; Getwell; Stevens all Sermon on the Mount