



# Competing Voices

PROVERBS 7:1-27

*"Say to wisdom, "You are my sister," and call insight your intimate friend, to keep you from the forbidden woman, from the adulteress with her smooth words." (Proverbs 7:4-5, ESV)*

## Review the Sermon

Read Proverbs 7:1-27.

What are the competing voices in this chapter? How do they differ from each other?

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What are some characteristics of temptation as demonstrated in the woman's seductive speech?

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How can you distinguish the voice of truth from the voice of temptation?

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## Assess your Life

Can you identify circumstances or settings that intensify temptations in your life?

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How have you been able to identify temptations vs. truth in your life?

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What role does prayer and the Word play in your resistance against temptations?

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## Apply the Truth

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Identify key strategies that a church can implement to fight (as a community) against temptations.

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What specific voices do you need to remove from your life to help you resist temptation?

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How can you replace those tempting voices with voices speaking truth?

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## Commit this Week

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Will you commit this week to filtering out voices that lead you into sin, and replacing them with voices that encourage your walk with God?

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*"Let not your heart turn aside to her ways; do not stray into her paths, for many a victim has she laid low, and all her slain are a mighty throng. Her house is the way to Sheol, going down to the chambers of death."  
(Proverbs 7:25–27, ESV)*