

wisdom of God. Therefore, they say, the wisdom of God that is presented as a person in Proverbs 8 is the Lord Jesus Christ. When you read about the wisdom of God in Proverbs 8, you are reading about the Lord Jesus Christ. Anything that is said about the wisdom of God is talking about Christ. So, when you come down to Prov. 8:22, since it is talking about Christ, it says, "the Lord possessed me," that is, Christ, "in the beginning of His way, before His works of old."

Now they go to the word "possessed." They say, if you look up that word "possessed" in the Hebrew dictionary, you would find something very interesting. You would find that it means "to create." So what the verse is saying is, "the Lord created me in the beginning of His way." That is, in the beginning of His way of creation, "before His works of old," that is, before He created anything else. And they say, if you look at the Septuagint, which is the translation of the Hebrew into the Greek language, you will find that the Septuagint translates it the same way, "the Lord created me in the beginning of His ways." So here is Jesus, who is speaking, the wisdom of God, and He says, "the Lord created Me." What more evidence do you want? Doesn't that prove that Jesus is not God? Doesn't that prove that He is a created being? After all, Jesus says He is a created being. Shouldn't that settle it once and for all? How much evidence do you need?

Well, when you look at that, it sounds kind of strong at first, doesn't it? What you need to do is to examine it a little bit. And as you examine it, you find some very interesting things. It is true that the wisdom of God that is presented in this chapter is presented as a person. There is no question about that. The wisdom of God is personified. It is presented as a person. There is no question that Christ, who is a Person, is called the wisdom of God in I Cor. 1:24. No question about that whatsoever. The question is, where does it say in the Bible that the wisdom of God that is presented as a person in Proverbs 8 is