

1. A wise son heareth his father's instruction: but a scorner heareth not rebuke.

2. A man shall eat good by the fruit of his mouth: but the soul of the transgressors shall eat violence.

3. He that keepeth his mouth keepeth his life: but he that openeth wide his lips shall have destruction.

4. The soul of the sluggard desireth, and hath nothing: but the soul of the diligent shall be made fat.

5. A righteous man hateth lying: but a wicked man is loathsome, and cometh to shame.

6. Righteousness keepeth him that is upright in the way: but wickedness overthroweth the sinner.

7. There is that maketh himself rich, yet hath nothing: there is that maketh himself poor, yet hath great riches.

8. The ransom of a man's life are his riches: but the poor heareth not rebuke.

9. The light of the righteous rejoiceth: but the lamp of the wicked shall be put out.

10. Only by pride cometh contention: but with the well advised is wisdom.

11. Wealth gotten by vanity shall be diminished: but he that gathereth by labour shall increase.

12. Hope deferred maketh the heart sick: but when the desire cometh, it is a tree of life.

13. Whoso despiseth the word shall be destroyed: but he that feareth the commandment shall be rewarded.

14. The law of the wise is a fountain of life, to depart from the snares of death.

15. Good understanding giveth favour: but the way of transgressors is hard.

16. Every prudent man dealeth with knowledge: but a fool layeth open his folly.

17. A wicked messenger falleth into mischief: but a faithful ambassador is health.

18. Poverty and shame shall be to him that refuseth instruction: but he that regardeth reproof shall be honoured.

19. The desire accomplished is sweet to the soul: but it is abomination to fools to depart from evil.

20. He that walketh with wise men shall be wise: but a companion of fools shall be destroyed.

21. Evil pursueth sinners: but to the righteous good shall be repayed.

22. A good man leaveth an inheritance to his children's children: and the wealth of the sinner is laid up for the just.

23. Much food is in the tillage of the poor: but there is that is destroyed for want of judgment.

24. He that spareth his rod hateth his son: but he that loveth him chasteneth him betimes.

25. The righteous eateth to the satisfying of his soul: but the belly of the wicked shall want.