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1The proverbs|strong = "H4912" of Solomon|strong = "H8010" the son|strong = "H1121" of David|strong = "H1732", king|strong = "H4428" of Israel|strong = "H3478"; ² To know|strong = "H3045" wisdom|strong="H2451" and instruction|strong="H4148"; to perceive|strong = "H0995" the words|strong = "H0561" of understanding|strong = "H0998"; ³ To receive|strong = "H3947" the instruction|strong = "H4148" of wisdom|strong = "H7919", justice|strong = "H6664", and judgment|strong = "H4941", and equity|strong="H4339"; 1 4 To give|strong="H5414" subtilty|strong = "H6195" to the simple|strong = "H6612", to the young man|strong = "H5288" knowledge|strong = "H1847" and discretion|strong = "H4209". ² A wise|strong = "H2450" man will hear strong = "H8085", and will increase strong = "H3254" learning|strong = "H3948"; and a man of understanding|strong = "H0995" shall attain|strong = "H7069" unto wise counsels|strong = "H8458": 6 To understand|strong = "H0995" a proverb|strong = "H4912", and the interpretation|strong = "H4426"; the words|strong = "H1697" of the wise|strong="H2450", and their dark sayings|strong="H2420". ³

7¶ The fear|strong = "H3374" of the w LORD|strong = "H3068"w* is the beginning|strong = "H7225" of knowledge|strong = "H1847": but fools|strong = "H0191" despise|strong = "H0936" wisdom|strong = "H2451" and instruction|strong = "H4148". 4 8 My son|strong = "H1121", hear|strong = "H8085" the instruction|strong = "H4148" of thy father|strong = "H0001", and forsake|strong = "H5203" not the law|strong = "H8451" of thy mother|strong = "H0517": 9 For they shall be an ornament|strong = "H3880" of grace|strong = "H2580" unto thy head|strong = "H7218", and chains|strong = "H6060" about thy neck|strong = "H1621". 5

10¶ My son|strong="H1121", if sinners|strong="H2400" entice|strong="H6601" thee, consent|strong="H0014" thou not.

11 If they say|strong="H0559", Come|strong="H3212" with us, let us lay wait|strong="H0693" for blood|strong="H1818", let us lurk|strong="H6845" privily for the innocent|strong="H5355" without cause|strong="H2600":

12 Let us swallow them up|strong="H1104" alive|strong="H2416" as the grave|strong="H7585"; and

¹ + **1.3** equity: Heb. equities

² + **1.4** discretion: or, advisement

³+ **1.6** the interpretation: or, an eloquent speech

⁴ + **1.7** the beginning: or, the principal part

⁵ + **1.9** an...: Heb. an adding

whole strong = "H8549", as those that go down strong = "H3381" into the pit|strong = "H0953": ¹³ We shall find|strong = "H4672" all precious|strong = "H3368" substance|strong = "H1952", we shall fill|strong = "H4390" our houses|strong = "H1004" with spoil|strong = "H7998": 14 Cast|strong = "H5307" in thy lot|strong = "H1486" among|strong = "H8432" us; let us all have one|strong = "H0259" purse|strong = "H3599": ¹⁵ My son|strong = "H1121", walk|strong = "H3212" not thou in the way|strong = "H1870" with them; refrain|strong = "H4513" thy foot|strong = "H7272" from their path|strong = "H5410": 16 For their feet|strong = "H7272" run|strong = "H7323" to evil|strong = "H7451", and make haste|strong = "H4116" to shed|strong = "H8210" blood|strong = "H1818". ⁷ Surely in vain|strong = "H2600" the net|strong = "H7568" is spread|strong = "H2219" in the sight|strong = "H5869" of any bird|strong = "H1167". 6 18 And they lay wait|strong = "H0693" for their own blood|strong = "H1818"; they lurk privily|strong = "H6845" for their own lives|strong = "H5315". 19 So are the ways|strong = "H0734" of every one that is greedy|strong = "H1214" of gain|strong = "H1215"; which taketh away|strong = "H3947" the life|strong = "H5315" of the owners strong = "H1167" thereof.

20¶ Wisdom|strong="H2454" crieth|strong="H7442" without|strong="H2351"; she uttereth|strong="H5414" her voice|strong="H6963" in the streets|strong="H7339": ⁷ ²¹ She crieth|strong="H7121" in the chief place|strong="H7218" of concourse|strong="H1993", in the openings|strong="H6607" of the gates|strong="H8179": in the city|strong="H5892" she uttereth|strong="H0559" her words|strong="H0561", saying, ²² How long, ye simple ones|strong="H6612", will ye love|strong="H0157" simplicity|strong="H6612"? and the scorners|strong="H3887" delight|strong="H2530" in their scorning|strong="H3944", and fools|strong="H3684" hate|strong="H8130" knowledge|strong="H1847"? ²³ Turn|strong="H7725" you at my reproof|strong="H8433": behold, I will pour out|strong="H5042" my spirit|strong="H7307" unto you, I will make known|strong="H3045" my words|strong="H1697" unto you.

24¶ Because I have called|strong = "H7121", and ye refused|strong = "H3985"; I have stretched out|strong = "H5186" my hand|strong = "H3027", and no man regarded|strong = "H7181"; ²⁵ But ye have set at nought|strong = "H6544" all my counsel|strong = "H6098", and would|strong = "H0014" none of my reproof|strong = "H8433"; ²⁶ I also will laugh|strong = "H7832" at your calamity|strong = "H0343"; I will mock|strong = "H3932" when your fear|strong = "H6343"

⁶ + **1.17** in the...: Heb. in the eyes of every thing that hath a wing

⁷ + **1.20** Wisdom: Heb. Wisdoms, that is, Excellent wisdom

cometh|strong="H0935"; ²⁷ When your fear|strong="H6343" cometh|strong = "H0935" as desolation|strong = "H7722", and your destruction|strong = "H0343" cometh|strong = "H0857" as a whirlwind|strong = "H5492"; when distress|strong = "H6869" and anguish|strong="H6695" cometh|strong="H0935" upon you. 28 Then shall they call strong = "H7121" upon me, but I will not answer strong = "H6030"; they shall seek me early strong = "H7836", but they shall not find|strong = "H4672" me: ²⁹ For that they hated|strong = "H8130" knowledge|strong = "H1847", and did not choose|strong = "H0977" the fear|strong = "H3374" of the w LORD|strong = "H3068"w*: 30 They would|strong = "H0014" none of my counsel|strong = "H6098": they despised|strong = "H5006" all my reproof|strong = "H8433". ³¹ Therefore shall they eat|strong = "H0398" of the fruit|strong = "H6529" of their own way|strong = "H1870", and be filled|strong = "H7646" with their own devices strong = "H4156". 32 For the turning away strong = "H4878" of the simple|strong = "H6612" shall slav|strong = "H2026" them, and the prosperity|strong = "H7962" of fools|strong = "H3684" shall destroy|strong="H0006" them. 8 33 But whoso hearkeneth|strong="H8085" unto me shall dwell|strong="H7931" safely|strong = "H0983", and shall be quiet|strong = "H7599" from fear|strong = "H6343" of evil|strong = "H7451".

2My son|strong = "H1121", if thou wilt receive|strong = "H3947" my words|strong="H0561", and hide|strong="H6845" my commandments strong = "H4687" with thee; ² So that thou incline|strong = "H7181" thine ear|strong = "H0241" unto wisdom|strong = "H2451", and apply|strong = "H5186" thine heart|strong = "H3820" to understanding|strong = "H8394"; ³ Yea, if thou criest|strong = "H7121" after knowledge|strong = "H0998", and liftest up|strong = "H5414" thy voice|strong = "H6963" for understanding|strong="H8394"; ⁹ ⁴ If thou seekest|strong="H1245" her as silver|strong = "H3701", and searchest|strong = "H2664" for her as for hid treasures strong = "H4301"; ⁵ Then shalt thou understand strong = "H0995" the fear|strong = "H3374" of the w LORD|strong = "H3068"w*, and find|strong = "H4672" the knowledge|strong = "H1847" of God|strong="H0430". 6 For the w LORD|strong="H3068"w* giveth|strong = "H5414" wisdom|strong = "H2451": out of his mouth|strong = "H6310" cometh knowledge|strong = "H1847" and understanding|strong = "H8394". The layeth up|strong = "H6845" sound wisdom|strong = "H8454" for the righteous|strong = "H3477": he is a buckler|strong = "H4043" to them that walk|strong = "H1980" uprightly|strong = "H8537". ⁸ He keepeth|strong = "H5341" the paths|strong = "H0734" of judgment|strong = "H4941", and

^{8 + 1.32} turning...: or, ease of the simple

⁹+ **2.3** liftest...: Heb. givest thy voice

preserveth|strong = "H8104" the way|strong = "H1870" of his saints|strong = "H2623".

Then shalt thou understand|strong = "H0995" righteousness|strong = "H6664", and judgment|strong = "H4941", and equity|strong = "H4339"; yea, every good|strong = "H2896" path|strong = "H4570".

10¶ When wisdom|strong = "H2451" entereth|strong = "H0935" into thine heart|strong = "H3820", and knowledge|strong = "H1847" is pleasant|strong = "H5276" unto thy soul|strong = "H5315"; 11 Discretion|strong = "H4209" shall preserve|strong = "H8104" thee, understanding|strong = "H8394" shall keep|strong = "H5341" thee: 12 To deliver|strong = "H5337" thee from the way|strong = "H1870" of the evil|strong = "H7451" man, from the man|strong = "H0376" that speaketh|strong = "H1696" froward things|strong = "H8419"; ¹³ Who leave|strong = "H5800" the paths|strong = "H0734" of uprightness|strong = "H3476", to walk|strong = "H3212" in the ways|strong = "H1870" of darkness|strong = "H2822"; ¹⁴ Who rejoice|strong = "H8056" to do|strong = "H6213" evil|strong = "H7451", and delight|strong = "H1523" in the frowardness|strong = "H8419" of the wicked|strong = "H7451"; 15 Whose ways|strong = "H0734" are crooked|strong="H6141", and they froward|strong="H3868" in their paths|strong = "H4570": ¹⁶ To deliver|strong = "H5337" thee from the strange|strong = "H2114" woman|strong = "H0802", even from the stranger|strong = "H5237" which flattereth|strong = "H2505" with her words|strong="H0561"; 17 Which forsaketh|strong="H5800" the guide|strong = "H0441" of her youth|strong = "H5271", and forgetteth|strong = "H7911" the covenant|strong = "H1285" of her God|strong = "H0430". ¹⁸ For her house|strong = "H1004" inclineth|strong="H7743" unto death|strong="H4194", and her paths/strong = "H4570" unto the dead/strong = "H7496". 19 None that go|strong = "H0935" unto her return again|strong = "H7725", neither take they hold strong = "H5381" of the paths strong = "H0734" of life|strong = "H2416". ²⁰ That thou mayest walk|strong = "H3212" in the way|strong="H1870" of good|strong="H2896" men, and keep|strong = "H8104" the paths|strong = "H0734" of the righteous|strong = "H6662". ²¹ For the upright|strong = "H3477" shall dwell|strong = "H7931" in the land|strong = "H0776", and the perfect|strong = "H8549" shall remain|strong = "H3498" in it. 22 But the wicked|strong = "H7563" shall be cut off|strong = "H3772" from the earth|strong = "H0776", and the transgressors|strong = "H0898" shall be rooted out strong = "H5255" of it. 10

3My son|strong = "H1121", forget|strong = "H7911" not my law|strong = "H8451"; but let thine heart|strong = "H3820"

¹⁰ + **2.22** rooted: or, plucked up