

# Ecclesiastes



# Contents



This book contains the account of  
King Solomon observing what people  
do and of realizing that only  
reverencing God and obeying him is  
worthwhile. We call this book  
**Ecclesiastes**

Everything is mysterious

1 w I|strong = "H1697" w\* w am|strong = "H1961" w\* w  
Solomon|strong = "H8010" w\*, the|strong = "H1697" son|strong = "H1121"  
of|strong = "H1121" w King|strong = "H4428" w\* David|strong = "H1732". w  
I|strong = "H1697" w\* w rule|strong = "H4428" w\* in|strong = "H4428"  
Jerusalem|strong = "H3389" w and|strong = "H1121" w\* w  
people|strong = "H1121" w\* w call|strong = "H7121" w\* w  
me|strong = "H1697" w\* 'The|strong = "H1697"  
□ Preacher|strong = "H6953"/Religious Teacher|strong = "H4175" □.

2 I|strong = "H3605" say|strong = "H0559" that|strong = "H3605"  
everything|strong = "H3605" is|strong = "H3605"  
mysterious|strong = "H6013";

e verything|strong = "H3605" is|strong = "H3605" hard|strong = "H7186"  
for|strong = "H3605" me|strong = "H3605" to|strong = "H3605"  
understand|strong = "H0995";

i t|strong = "H3605" is|strong = "H3605" difficult|strong = "H6381"  
to|strong = "H3605" understand|strong = "H0995" why|strong = "H4100"  
everything|strong = "H3605" happens|strong = "H1961".

3 □ What|strong = "H4100" do|strong = "H4100" people|strong = "H5971"  
gain|strong = "H1215" from|strong = "H8478" all|strong = "H3605"  
the|strong = "H3605" work|strong = "H5999" that|strong = "H3605"  
they|strong = "H4100" do|strong = "H4100" here|strong = "H6311"  
on|strong = "H8478" the|strong = "H3605"  
earth|strong = "H8121"? /It|strong = "H4100" seems|strong = "H3605"  
that|strong = "H3605" people|strong = "H5971" gain|strong = "H1215"  
no|strong = "H3605" lasting|strong = "H5769" benefit|strong = "H3504"  
from|strong = "H8478" all|strong = "H3605" the|strong = "H3605"  
work|strong = "H5999" that|strong = "H3605" they|strong = "H4100"  
do|strong = "H4100" here|strong = "H6311" on|strong = "H8478"  
the|strong = "H3605" earth|strong = "H8121". □ [RHQ]

4w Each|strong = "H0376"w\* w year|strong = "H8141"w\*  
old|strong = "H5769" people|strong = "H5971" die|strong = "H1980"  
and|strong = "H1980" babies|strong = "H3245" are|strong = "H5975"  
born|strong = "H3205",

**b** ut|strong = "H3588" the|strong = "H5975" earth|strong = "H0776"  
never|strong = "H5769" changes|strong = "H2487".

5w Each|strong = "H0376"w\* w morning|strong = "H1242"w\*  
the|strong = "H8033" sun|strong = "H8121" rises|strong = "H2224",  
and|strong = "H8033" w each|strong = "H0376"w\* w  
evening|strong = "H6153"w\* it|strong = "H1931" sets|strong = "H0935",

**a** nd|strong = "H8033" w then|strong = "H0227"w\* it|strong = "H1931"  
hurries|strong = "H0213" around|strong = "H5439" to|strong = "H8033"  
where|strong = "H8033" it|strong = "H1931" started|strong = "H2490"  
from|strong = "H8033".

6The|strong = "H5921" wind|strong = "H7307" blows|strong = "H4112"  
south|strong = "H1864",

**a** nd|strong = "H1980" then|strong = "H1980" it|strong = "H5921" w  
turns|strong = "H7725"w\* w around|strong = "H5439"w\* w  
to|strong = "H1980"w\* w start|strong = "H1870"w\* w  
blowing|strong = "H1980"w\* towards the|strong = "H5921"  
north|strong = "H6828".

**I** t|strong = "H5921" goes|strong = "H1980" around|strong = "H5439"  
and|strong = "H1980" around|strong = "H5439" in|strong = "H5921" circles.

7All|strong = "H3605" the|strong = "H3605" streams|strong = "H5158"  
flow|strong = "H1980" into|strong = "H1980" the|strong = "H3605"  
sea|strong = "H3220",

**b** ut|strong = "H1992" the|strong = "H3605" sea|strong = "H3220"  
is|strong = "H3605" never|strong = "H3808" full|strong = "H4392".

**T** he|strong = "H3605" water|strong = "H4325" returns|strong = "H7725" w  
to|strong = "H1980"w\* w the|strong = "H3605"w\* w  
sky|strong = "H8064"w\*, and|strong = "H1980" w when|strong = "H7725"w\*  
w it|strong = "H7725"w\* w rains|strong = "H1653"w\*, the|strong = "H3605"  
water|strong = "H4325" returns|strong = "H7725" to|strong = "H1980"  
the|strong = "H3605" rivers|strong = "H5158",

a nd it flows again to the sea.

8 Everything is boring,

w with w the w  
 result w that we  
 do not even  
 want to talk  
 about it.

W e [SYN] see things,

b ut we always want to see more.

W e [SYN] hear things,

b ut we always want to hear more.

9w Everything w continues w  
 to w be w the w  
 w same w as w  
 it w has w  
 always w been w;

t hings that happen have  
 previously, and they will  
 will happen again.

W hat has been done before will be done again.

**T** here|strong = "H1961" is|strong = "H1931" nothing|strong = "H3605" w  
really|strong = "H2088" w\* new|strong = "H2319" in|strong = "H6213"  
this|strong = "H6213" world|strong = "H8398" [MTY].

10 Sometimes|strong = "H3426" people|strong = "H1931"  
say|strong = "H1697", "Look|strong = "H7200" at|strong = "H7200"  
this|strong = "H2088"! This|strong = "H2088" is|strong = "H3426"  
something|strong = "H1697" new|strong = "H2319" [RHQ]!"

**B** ut|strong = "H1961" it|strong = "H1931" has|strong = "H1961"  
existed|strong = "H1961" previously|strong = "H6440";

**i** t|strong = "H1931" existed|strong = "H1961" before|strong = "H6440"  
we|strong = "H1697" were|strong = "H1961" born|strong = "H3205".

11 w People|strong = "H3808" w\* do|strong = "H6213"  
not|strong = "H3808" remember|strong = "H2142" the|strong = "H1961"  
things|strong = "H7223" w that|strong = "H3808" w\* w  
happened|strong = "H1961" w\* long|strong = "H0753" ago|strong = "H7350",

**a** nd|strong = "H7223" in|strong = "H3808" the|strong = "H1961"  
future|strong = "H0319", people|strong = "H3808" will|strong = "H1961"  
not|strong = "H3808" remember|strong = "H2142" what|strong = "H1571"  
we|strong = "H0587" are|strong = "H1992" doing|strong = "H6213"  
now|strong = "H1961".

What|strong = "H1571" the|strong = "H1961" religious  
teacher|strong = "H4175" found|strong = "H1571" out|strong = "H3808"  
about|strong = "H1961" wisdom|strong = "H2451"

12 I|strong = "H5921", the|strong = "H5921" Religious  
Teacher|strong = "H4175", have|strong = "H1961" been|strong = "H1961"  
the|strong = "H5921" king|strong = "H4428" of|strong = "H4428"  
Israel|strong = "H3478" w for|strong = "H5921" w\* w  
many|strong = "H7227" w\* w years|strong = "H8141" w\*, w  
ruling|strong = "H4910" w\* in|strong = "H5921" Jerusalem|strong = "H3389".

<sup>13</sup> By|strong = "H5921" being|strong = "H1121" wise|strong = "H2451",  
I|strong = "H5414" concentrated on|strong = "H5921"  
understanding|strong = "H3820" everything|strong = "H3605"  
that|strong = "H3605" was|strong = "H3820" being|strong = "H1121"  
done|strong = "H6213" on|strong = "H5921" the|strong = "H3605"  
earth|strong = "H8064" [MTY]. w But|strong = "H1931" w\* w  
I|strong = "H5414" w\* w found|strong = "H4672" w\* w  
out|strong = "H5414" w\* w that|strong = "H3605" w\* God|strong = "H5414"  
causes|strong = "H5414" w all|strong = "H3605" w\* w of|strong = "H1121" w\*



us|strong = "H5414" to|strong = "H6213" experience|strong = "H7200"  
 things|strong = "H3605" that|strong = "H3605" cause|strong = "H5414"  
 us|strong = "H5414" to|strong = "H6213" be|strong = "H1121"  
 unhappy/miserable|strong = "H7451". <sup>14</sup> It|strong = "H6213"  
 seems|strong = "H3605" that|strong = "H7200" nothing|strong = "H3605"  
 that|strong = "H7200" happens|strong = "H6213" on|strong = "H7200"  
 the|strong = "H3605" earth|strong = "H8121" really|strong = "H2088" enables  
 us|strong = "H6213" to|strong = "H6213" do|strong = "H6213"  
 anything|strong = "H3605" useful|strong = "H5532". It|strong = "H6213"  
 is|strong = "H2009" w like|strong = "H7307" w\* [MET|strong = "H6298"]  
 chasing|strong = "H7469" the|strong = "H3605" wind|strong = "H7307".

15w Many|strong = "H3808" w\* things|strong = "H3808"  
 that|strong = "H3808" are|strong = "H3808" crooked|strong = "H5791"  
 cannot|strong = "H3808" be|strong = "H3808" caused|strong = "H5414"  
 to|strong = "H3201" become|strong = "H1961" straight|strong = "H8626";

w e|strong = "H3201" cannot|strong = "H3808" count|strong = "H4487"  
 things|strong = "H3808" that|strong = "H3808" do|strong = "H3201"  
 not|strong = "H3808" exist.

16I|strong = "H2009" said|strong = "H1696" to|strong = "H1696"  
 myself|strong = "H3820", "w Hey|strong = "H1945" w\*, I|strong = "H2009"  
 am|strong = "H1961" wiser|strong = "H2451" than|strong = "H7235"  
 any|strong = "H3605" of|strong = "H6440" the|strong = "H3605"  
 kings|strong = "H4428" that|strong = "H7200" ruled|strong = "H4427"  
 in|strong = "H5921" Jerusalem|strong = "H3389" before|strong = "H6440"  
 I|strong = "H2009" w became|strong = "H1961" w\* w the|strong = "H3605" w\*  
 w king|strong = "H5921" w\*. I|strong = "H2009" am|strong = "H1961"  
 wiser|strong = "H2451" and|strong = "H3389" I|strong = "H2009"  
 know|strong = "H1847" more|strong = "H3254" than|strong = "H7235"  
 any|strong = "H3605" of|strong = "H6440" them|strong = "H5921"!" <sup>17</sup> w  
 So|strong = "H5414" w\* I|strong = "H5414" determined|strong = "H3820"  
 to|strong = "H5414" learn|strong = "H3045" w more|strong = "H1571" w\*  
 about|strong = "H3045" being|strong = "H1961" wise|strong = "H2451"  
 and|strong = "H2451" to|strong = "H5414" learn|strong = "H3045"  
 about|strong = "H3045" knowing|strong = "H3045" about|strong = "H3045"  
 many|strong = "H7227" things|strong = "H1697", and|strong = "H2451" w  
 also|strong = "H1571" w\* to|strong = "H5414" learn|strong = "H3045"  
 about|strong = "H3045" w doing|strong = "H6213" w\* w  
 things|strong = "H1697" w\* w that|strong = "H3045" w\* w  
 are|strong = "H1571" w\* very|strong = "H2088" foolish|strong = "H5531"  
 [DOU]. w But|strong = "H1571" w\* I|strong = "H5414"  
 found|strong = "H1571" out|strong = "H5414" that|strong = "H3045"  
 trying|strong = "H1156" to|strong = "H5414" understand|strong = "H3045"

those|strong = "H1931" things|strong = "H1697" was|strong = "H3820"  
 also|strong = "H1571" w useless|strong = "H1892"w\*, w  
 like|strong = "H3820"w\* chasing|strong = "H7475" the|strong = "H5414"  
 wind|strong = "H7307".

18The|strong = "H3588" wiser|strong = "H2451" I|strong = "H3588"  
 became|strong = "H3205", the|strong = "H3588" more|strong = "H3254"  
 disappointed|strong = "H0954" I|strong = "H3588" became|strong = "H3205".

T he|strong = "H3588" more|strong = "H3254" things|strong = "H7227"  
 I|strong = "H3588" knew|strong = "H1847" about|strong = "H5439",  
 the|strong = "H3588" sadder I|strong = "H3588" became|strong = "H3205".  
 Pleasure does not bring happiness

2w Then|strong = "H2009"w\* I|strong = "H2009" said|strong = "H0559"  
 to|strong = "H3212" myself|strong = "H3820", "Okay, I|strong = "H2009"  
 will|strong = "H1571" try|strong = "H5254" to|strong = "H3212"  
 do|strong = "H4994" everything|strong = "H3605" that|strong = "H7200"  
 I|strong = "H2009" enjoy|strong = "H7200". I|strong = "H2009"  
 will|strong = "H1571" find|strong = "H7200" out|strong = "H7200"  
 whether|strong = "H7200" doing|strong = "H6213" what|strong = "H2896"  
 I|strong = "H2009" enjoy|strong = "H7200" can|strong = "H7200"  
 truly|strong = "H1571" enable|strong = "H7980" me|strong = "H4994"  
 to|strong = "H3212" be|strong = "H3820" happy|strong = "H2896".  
 But|strong = "H7200" I|strong = "H2009" found|strong = "H1571"  
 out|strong = "H7200" that|strong = "H7200" doing|strong = "H6213"  
 that|strong = "H7200" was|strong = "H3820" also|strong = "H1571"  
 useless|strong = "H1892"/senseless|strong = "H1198". 2 w  
 So|strong = "H6213"w\* I|strong = "H4100" said|strong = "H0559" w  
 to|strong = "H6213"w\* w myself|strong = "H0589"w\*, "It|strong = "H6213"  
 is|strong = "H4100" foolish|strong = "H1984" to|strong = "H6213"  
 laugh|strong = "H7832" w all|strong = "H6213"w\* w the|strong = "H6213"w\*  
 w time|strong = "H6256"w\*, and|strong = "H6213"  
 continually|strong = "H8548" doing|strong = "H6213" what|strong = "H4100"  
 I|strong = "H4100" enjoy|strong = "H7200" does|strong = "H6213"  
 not|strong = "H6213" seem|strong = "H5869" to|strong = "H6213"  
 bring|strong = "H6213" any|strong = "H6213" lasting|strong = "H5769"  
 benefit|strong = "H1576". 3 w So|strong = "H6213"w\*,  
 after|strong = "H3117" thinking|strong = "H0559" a|strong = "H6213"  
 lot|strong = "H1486" about|strong = "H6213" it|strong = "H6213",  
 I|strong = "H3117" decided|strong = "H3289" to|strong = "H5704"  
 cheer|strong = "H2895" myself|strong = "H3820"/cause|strong = "H6213"  
 myself|strong = "H3820" to|strong = "H5704" be|strong = "H1121"  
 happy|strong = "H2896" by|strong = "H3117" drinking|strong = "H8354" w

a|strong="H6213" w\* w lot|strong="H1486" w\* w of|strong="H1121" w\*  
 wine|strong="H3196". w So|strong="H6213" w\* while|strong="H5704"  
 I|strong="H3117" was|strong="H3820" still|strong="H5704"  
 trying|strong="H1156" to|strong="H5704" be|strong="H1121"  
 wise|strong="H2451", I|strong="H3117" decided|strong="H3289"  
 to|strong="H5704" do|strong="H6213" things|strong="H2896"  
 that|strong="H7200" w many|strong="H5704" w\* people|strong="H1121"  
 do|strong="H6213" to|strong="H5704" be|strong="H1121"  
 happy|strong="H2896" during|strong="H3117" the|strong="H7200"  
 short|strong="H7138" time|strong="H3117" that|strong="H7200"  
 they|strong="H3117" are|strong="H3117" alive|strong="H2416"  
 on|strong="H3117" the|strong="H7200" earth|strong="H8064". <sup>4</sup>  
 I|strong="H1004" did|strong="H4639" great|strong="H1431"  
 things|strong="H1431": I|strong="H1004" w caused|strong="H5414" w\*  
 houses|strong="H1004" to|strong="H1004" be|strong="H1004"  
 built|strong="H1129" for|strong="H1004" myself|strong="H0589"  
 and|strong="H1004" vineyards|strong="H3754" to|strong="H1004"  
 be|strong="H1004" planted|strong="H5193". <sup>5</sup> I|strong="H3605" w  
 told|strong="H6213" w\* w my|strong="H3605" w\* w  
 workers|strong="H6213" w\* to|strong="H6213" make|strong="H6213"  
 gardens|strong="H1593" and|strong="H6086" parks|strong="H6508". w  
 Then|strong="H6213" w\* I|strong="H3605" w told|strong="H6213" w\* w  
 them|strong="H6213" w\* w to|strong="H6213" w\* fill|strong="H4390"  
 the|strong="H3605" gardens|strong="H1593" with|strong="H6213"  
 many|strong="H7227" kinds|strong="H3605" of|strong="H6086"  
 fruit|strong="H6529" trees|strong="H6086". <sup>6</sup> I|strong="H6779" w  
 told|strong="H6213" w\* w them|strong="H1992" w\* w  
 to|strong="H6213" w\* build|strong="H6213" reservoirs|strong="H4723"  
 to|strong="H6213" store|strong="H4543" water|strong="H4325"  
 to|strong="H6213" irrigate|strong="H8248" the|strong="H6213"  
 fruit|strong="H6086" trees|strong="H6086". <sup>7</sup> I|strong="H5650"  
 bought|strong="H7069" male|strong="H5650" and|strong="H1121"  
 female|strong="H8198" slaves|strong="H5650", and|strong="H1121"  
 babies|strong="H3245" w who|strong="H3605" w\* w  
 later|strong="H1961" w\* w became|strong="H1961" w\* w  
 my|strong="H3605" w\* w slaves|strong="H5650" w\* were|strong="H1961"  
 born|strong="H1121" in|strong="H1004" my|strong="H3605"  
 palace|strong="H1004". I|strong="H5650" also|strong="H1571"  
 owned|strong="H3426" more|strong="H7235" livestock|strong="H4735"  
 than|strong="H7235" any|strong="H3605" of|strong="H1121"  
 the|strong="H3605" previous|strong="H7223" kings|strong="H4428"  
 in|strong="H1004" Jerusalem|strong="H3389" had|strong="H1961"  
 owned|strong="H3426". <sup>8</sup> I|strong="H1571" also|strong="H1571"  
 accumulated|strong="H0622" large|strong="H1419"  
 amounts|strong="H4948" of|strong="H1121" silver|strong="H3701"  
 and|strong="H1121" gold|strong="H2091" w that|strong="H4428" w\* w

were|strong = "H1121" w\* w paid|strong = "H5414" w\* w  
to|strong = "H6213" w\* w me|strong = "H6213" w\* from|strong = "H1121"  
the|strong = "H6213" treasures|strong = "H0214" of|strong = "H1121"  
kings|strong = "H4428" and|strong = "H1121" rulers|strong = "H8269"  
of|strong = "H1121" provinces|strong = "H4082". w I|strong = "H1571" w\* w  
hired|strong = "H7936" w\* men|strong = "H1121" and|strong = "H1121"  
women|strong = "H7891" to|strong = "H6213" sing|strong = "H7891"  
for|strong = "H6213" me|strong = "H6213", and|strong = "H1121"  
I|strong = "H1571" had|strong = "H4428" many|strong = "H7705"  
□ concubines|strong = "H7705" /slave|strong = "H5650"  
wives|strong = "H0802" □ who|strong = "H1121" gave|strong = "H6213"  
me|strong = "H6213" w much|strong = "H6213" w\* pleasure|strong = "H2656"  
[EUP]. <sup>9</sup> So|strong = "H1961", I|strong = "H6440" became|strong = "H1961"  
greater|strong = "H1431" than|strong = "H3605" anyone|strong = "H3605"  
else|strong = "H3605" who|strong = "H3605" had|strong = "H1961"  
ever|strong = "H5769" lived|strong = "H1961" in|strong = "H6440"  
Jerusalem|strong = "H3389", and|strong = "H3389" I|strong = "H6440"  
was|strong = "H1961" w very|strong = "H3966" w\* wise|strong = "H2451".

10I|strong = "H3588" got|strong = "H6965" everything|strong = "H3605"  
[LIT|strong = "H0215"] that|strong = "H3588" I|strong = "H3588" [SYN]  
saw|strong = "H7200" and|strong = "H5869" wanted|strong = "H2654".

I |strong = "H3588" did|strong = "H3808" everything|strong = "H3605"  
[LIT|strong = "H0215"] that|strong = "H3588" I|strong = "H3588"  
thought|strong = "H3820" would|strong = "H3605" enable|strong = "H7980"  
me|strong = "H7592" to|strong = "H1961" be|strong = "H1961"  
happy|strong = "H8055".

A ll|strong = "H3605" those|strong = "H1992" things|strong = "H3605"  
that|strong = "H3588" I|strong = "H3588" [SYN] enjoyed|strong = "H7521"  
were|strong = "H1961" w like|strong = "H1961" w\* a|strong = "H1961"  
reward|strong = "H2506" for|strong = "H3588" all|strong = "H3605"  
my|strong = "H3605" hard|strong = "H7186" work|strong = "H5999".

11w But|strong = "H2009" w\* then|strong = "H2009" I|strong = "H2009"  
thought|strong = "H0559" about|strong = "H6213" all|strong = "H3605"  
the|strong = "H3605" hard|strong = "H5998" work|strong = "H4639"  
that|strong = "H3605" I|strong = "H2009" [SYN] had|strong = "H3027"  
done|strong = "H6213" w to|strong = "H6213" w\* w get|strong = "H3027" w\*  
w all|strong = "H3605" w\* w those|strong = "H3605" w\* w  
things|strong = "H3605" w\*,

and none of  
it seems to  
bring any lasting  
benefit [DOU].

It was all w  
like chasing the  
wind.

Being wise also  
seemed useless

Then I started  
to think about  
being wise, and  
also w  
being foolish [DOU].

w I w said w  
to w myself, “w  
I w certainly w  
do w not w  
think w that [RHQ]  
the next king  
will be able  
to do anything  
better than I  
can.”

And I thought,  
“Surely it is  
better to be  
wise than to  
be foolish,”

I like light is  
better than darkness,

14w because w  
people w walk w  
in w the w  
daylight w and [IDM]  
can see where  
they are going,

**b** ut|strong = "H1571" foolish|strong = "H3684" people|strong = "H1571"  
 walk|strong = "H1980" in|strong = "H1980" the|strong = "H3605"  
 darkness|strong = "H2822" w and|strong = "H1980" w\* w  
 cannot|strong = "H3045" w\* w see|strong = "H5869" w\* w  
 where|strong = "H0834" w\* w they|strong = "H3045" w\* w  
 are|strong = "H5869" w\* w going|strong = "H1980" w\*."

**B** ut|strong = "H1571" I|strong = "H3045" w also|strong = "H1571" w\*  
 realized|strong = "H3045" that|strong = "H3045" both|strong = "H1571"  
 wise|strong = "H2450" people|strong = "H1571" and|strong = "H1980"  
 foolish|strong = "H3684" people|strong = "H1571"  
 eventually|strong = "H0310" die|strong = "H1980".

15So|strong = "H1571" I|strong = "H2088" said|strong = "H1696"  
 to|strong = "H1696" myself|strong = "H3820",

“ I|strong = "H2088" am|strong = "H1961" very|strong = "H2088"  
 wise|strong = "H2449", but|strong = "H1696" I|strong = "H2088"  
 will|strong = "H1571" w die|strong = "H4191" w\* w at|strong = "H1571" w\* w  
 the|strong = "H1696" w\* w end|strong = "H4100" w\* w of|strong = "H3820" w\*  
 w my|strong = "H1696" w\* w life|strong = "H3820" w\*, like|strong = "H3820"  
 foolish|strong = "H3684" people|strong = "H1571" do|strong = "H4100".

**S** o|strong = "H1571" □how|strong = "H4100" has|strong = "H3820"  
 it|strong = "H1696" benefited|strong = "H2490" me|strong = "H1696"  
 to|strong = "H1696" be|strong = "H3820" very|strong = "H2088"  
 wise|strong = "H2449"?/it|strong = "H1696" certainly|strong = "H1571"  
 has|strong = "H3820" not|strong = "H2088" benefited|strong = "H2490"  
 me|strong = "H1696" to|strong = "H1696" be|strong = "H3820"  
 very|strong = "H2088" wise|strong = "H2449" [RHQ]□.

**I** |strong = "H2088" do|strong = "H4100" not|strong = "H2088"  
 understand|strong = "H0995" why|strong = "H4100" w  
 people|strong = "H1571" w\* w consider|strong = "H7200" w\* w  
 that|strong = "H2088" w\* it|strong = "H1696" is|strong = "H2088"  
 valuable|strong = "H3368" to|strong = "H1696" be|strong = "H3820"  
 wise|strong = "H2449".

16Wise|strong = "H2450" people|strong = "H5971" and|strong = "H3117"  
 foolish|strong = "H3684" people|strong = "H5971" all|strong = "H3605"  
 die|strong = "H4191".

And after we die, we will eventually be forgotten [DOU].”

17 So I hated being alive, because everything do the earth distresses me all be chasing Working hard useless

18 I w also w w began all work had when die that have will the And whether whether be even is will the I hard to thought the that done

seemed|strong = "H5869" w\* w useless|strong = "H1892" w\*,  
 and|strong = "H5999" I|strong = "H5921" became|strong = "H3205"  
 depressed|strong = "H1800"/discouraged|strong = "H7503". <sup>21</sup>  
 Some|strong = "H7227" people|strong = "H3808" work|strong = "H5999"  
 wisely|strong = "H2451" and|strong = "H2451" skillfully|strong = "H2805",  
 using|strong = "H5927" the|strong = "H3588" things|strong = "H7451"  
 that|strong = "H3588" they|strong = "H3588" have|strong = "H3426"  
 learned|strong = "H3925". But|strong = "H3588" w  
 when|strong = "H3588" w\* w they|strong = "H3588" w\* w  
 die|strong = "H4191" w\*, they|strong = "H3588" leave|strong = "H5414"  
 everything|strong = "H3605", and|strong = "H2451"  
 someone|strong = "H5414" who|strong = "H7227" has|strong = "H3588"  
 not|strong = "H3808" worked|strong = "H5998" hard|strong = "H5998"  
 acquires|strong = "H7069" those|strong = "H2088" things|strong = "H7451".  
 And|strong = "H2451" that|strong = "H3588" also|strong = "H1571" w  
 seemed|strong = "H5869" w\* w to|strong = "H5414" w\* be|strong = "H3426"  
 senseless|strong = "H1198" and|strong = "H2451" caused|strong = "H5414"  
 me|strong = "H5414" to|strong = "H5414" be|strong = "H3426"  
 discouraged|strong = "H7503". <sup>22</sup> So|strong = "H3588", it|strong = "H1931"  
 seems|strong = "H3605" that|strong = "H3588" people|strong = "H1931"  
 do|strong = "H4100" not|strong = "H3588" [RHQ] get|strong = "H1933"  
 much|strong = "H4100" for|strong = "H3588" all|strong = "H3605"  
 the|strong = "H3605" hard|strong = "H7186" work|strong = "H5999"  
 that|strong = "H3588" they|strong = "H3588" do|strong = "H4100"  
 and|strong = "H5999" for|strong = "H3588" worrying|strong = "H4480". <sup>23</sup>  
 Every|strong = "H3605" day|strong = "H3117" the|strong = "H3605"  
 work|strong = "H4399" that|strong = "H3588" they|strong = "H3588"  
 do|strong = "H3605" causes|strong = "H5414" them|strong = "H3117"  
 to|strong = "H3820" experience|strong = "H7200" pain|strong = "H4341"  
 and|strong = "H3117" to|strong = "H3820" be|strong = "H3808"  
 worried|strong = "H1672". And|strong = "H3117" during|strong = "H3117"  
 the|strong = "H3605" night|strong = "H3915", their|strong = "H3605"  
 minds|strong = "H3820" are|strong = "H3117" not|strong = "H3808"  
 able|strong = "H3201" to|strong = "H3820" rest|strong = "H7901".  
 That|strong = "H3588" also|strong = "H1571" is|strong = "H2088"  
 very|strong = "H2088" frustrating.

24w So|strong = "H1571" w\* w I|strong = "H3588" w\* w  
 decided|strong = "H3289" w\* w that|strong = "H3588" w\* w  
 the|strong = "H7200" best|strong = "H2896" thing|strong = "H2896"  
 that|strong = "H3588" we|strong = "H3588" can|strong = "H7200"  
 do|strong = "H3027" is|strong = "H1931" to|strong = "H3027"  
 enjoy|strong = "H7200" what|strong = "H2896" we|strong = "H3588"  
 eat|strong = "H0398" and|strong = "H3027" drink|strong = "H8354",  
 and|strong = "H3027" w also|strong = "H1571" w\* w enjoy|strong = "H7200"



our|strong = "H7200" work|strong = "H5999". And|strong = "H3027"  
 I|strong = "H3588" realized|strong = "H7200" that|strong = "H3588"  
 those|strong = "H1931" things|strong = "H2896" are|strong = "H3027"  
 what|strong = "H2896" God|strong = "H3027" intends|strong = "H3190"  
 for|strong = "H3588" us|strong = "H7200". <sup>25</sup> There|strong = "H4480"  
 is|strong = "H4310" absolutely|strong = "H0657" no|strong = "H4480"  
 one|strong = "H4480" [RHQ] who|strong = "H4310" is|strong = "H4310"  
 able|strong = "H3201" to|strong = "H4480" enjoy|strong = "H7200"  
 those|strong = "H4480" things|strong = "H1697" if|strong = "H3588"  
 God|strong = "H4310" does|strong = "H6213" not|strong = "H3588"  
 give|strong = "H5414" those|strong = "H4480" things|strong = "H1697"  
 to|strong = "H4480" him|strong = "H4480". <sup>26</sup> God|strong = "H5414"  
 enables those|strong = "H2088" who|strong = "H2896"  
 please|strong = "H2896" him|strong = "H5414" to|strong = "H5414"  
 be|strong = "H1571" wise|strong = "H2451", to|strong = "H5414"  
 know|strong = "H1847" w many|strong = "H7227" w\* w  
 things|strong = "H2896" w\*, and|strong = "H2451" to|strong = "H5414"  
 enjoy|strong = "H7200" w many|strong = "H7227" w\* w  
 things|strong = "H2896" w\*. But|strong = "H3588" if|strong = "H3588"  
 sinful|strong = "H2398" people|strong = "H1571" work|strong = "H5414"  
 hard|strong = "H7186" and|strong = "H2451" become|strong = "H1961"  
 rich|strong = "H6223", God|strong = "H5414" w can|strong = "H7307" w\*  
 take|strong = "H5414" their|strong = "H5414" money|strong = "H3701"  
 away|strong = "H5414" from|strong = "H6440" them|strong = "H5414"  
 and|strong = "H2451" give|strong = "H5414" it|strong = "H5414"  
 to|strong = "H5414" those|strong = "H2088" who|strong = "H2896"  
 please|strong = "H2896" him|strong = "H5414". But|strong = "H3588"  
 that|strong = "H3588" also|strong = "H1571" is|strong = "H2088"  
 something|strong = "H1697" that|strong = "H3588" is|strong = "H2088"  
 difficult|strong = "H6381" for|strong = "H3588" me|strong = "H5414"  
 to|strong = "H5414" understand|strong = "H0995". w  
 Their|strong = "H5414" w\* w working|strong = "H4639" w\* w  
 hard|strong = "H7186" w\* w seems|strong = "H2896" w\*  
 useless|strong = "H1892", w like|strong = "H7307" w\*  
 chasing|strong = "H7469" the|strong = "H6440" wind|strong = "H7307".  
 There is a right time for everything

<sup>3</sup>There|strong = "H3605" is|strong = "H3605" a|strong = "H8478"  
 right|strong = "H8478"/correct|strong = "H3256" time|strong = "H6256"  
 for|strong = "H8478" everything|strong = "H3605",

**a** |strong = "H8478" time|strong = "H6256" for|strong = "H8478"  
 everything|strong = "H3605" that|strong = "H3605" we|strong = "H3605"  
 do|strong = "H3605" in|strong = "H8064" this|strong = "H3605"  
 world|strong = "H8398".

2There|strong = "H8033" is|strong = "H6256" a|strong = "H3205" time|strong = "H6256" to|strong = "H4191" be|strong = "H4191" born|strong = "H3205", and|strong = "H4191" there|strong = "H8033" is|strong = "H6256" a|strong = "H3205" time|strong = "H6256" to|strong = "H4191" die|strong = "H4191".

T here|strong = "H8033" is|strong = "H6256" a|strong = "H3205" time|strong = "H6256" to|strong = "H4191" plant|strong = "H5193" w seeds|strong = "H2233" w\*, and|strong = "H4191" there|strong = "H8033" is|strong = "H6256" a|strong = "H3205" time|strong = "H6256" to|strong = "H4191" harvest|strong = "H7105" crops|strong = "H8393".

3There|strong = "H8033" is|strong = "H1129" a|strong = "H1129" time|strong = "H6256" to|strong = "H6256" kill|strong = "H2026" w people|strong = "H5971" w\*, and|strong = "H1129" there|strong = "H8033" is|strong = "H1129" a|strong = "H1129" time|strong = "H6256" to|strong = "H6256" heal|strong = "H7495" w people|strong = "H5971" w\*.

T here|strong = "H8033" is|strong = "H1129" a|strong = "H1129" time|strong = "H6256" to|strong = "H6256" tear|strong = "H6555" things|strong = "H6256" down|strong = "H6555", and|strong = "H1129" there|strong = "H8033" is|strong = "H1129" a|strong = "H1129" time|strong = "H6256" to|strong = "H6256" build|strong = "H1129" things|strong = "H6256".

4There|strong = "H8033" is|strong = "H6256" a|strong = "H6256" time|strong = "H6256" to|strong = "H6256" cry|strong = "H7121", and|strong = "H1058" there|strong = "H8033" is|strong = "H6256" a|strong = "H6256" time|strong = "H6256" to|strong = "H6256" laugh|strong = "H7832".

T here|strong = "H8033" is|strong = "H6256" a|strong = "H6256" time|strong = "H6256" to|strong = "H6256" mourn|strong = "H5594", and|strong = "H1058" there|strong = "H8033" is|strong = "H6256" a|strong = "H6256" time|strong = "H6256" to|strong = "H6256" dance|strong = "H7540" w joyfully|strong = "H7321" w\*.

5There|strong = "H8033" is|strong = "H6256" a|strong = "H7993" time|strong = "H6256" to|strong = "H6256" throw|strong = "H7993" away|strong = "H7993" stones|strong = "H0068" w from|strong = "H7368" w\* w a|strong = "H7993" w\* w field|strong = "H7704" w\*, and|strong = "H6256" there|strong = "H8033" is|strong = "H6256" a|strong = "H7993" time|strong = "H6256" to|strong = "H6256" gather|strong = "H3664" stones|strong = "H0068" w to|strong = "H6256" w\* w

build|strong = "H1129" w\* w walls|strong = "H2346" w\*/w  
houses|strong = "H1004" w\*.

T here|strong = "H8033" is|strong = "H6256" a|strong = "H7993"  
time|strong = "H6256" to|strong = "H6256" embrace|strong = "H2263" w  
people|strong = "H5971" w\*, and|strong = "H6256" there|strong = "H8033"  
is|strong = "H6256" a|strong = "H7993" time|strong = "H6256"  
to|strong = "H6256" not|strong = "H6256" embrace|strong = "H2263" w  
people|strong = "H5971" w\*.

6There|strong = "H8033" is|strong = "H6256" a|strong = "H7993"  
time|strong = "H6256" to|strong = "H6256" search|strong = "H1245"  
for|strong = "H1245" things|strong = "H6256", and|strong = "H8104"  
there|strong = "H8033" is|strong = "H6256" a|strong = "H7993"  
time|strong = "H6256" to|strong = "H6256" stop|strong = "H2308"  
searching|strong = "H1245" for|strong = "H1245" things|strong = "H6256".

T here|strong = "H8033" is|strong = "H6256" a|strong = "H7993"  
time|strong = "H6256" to|strong = "H6256"  
keep|strong = "H8104"/save|strong = "H8104" things|strong = "H6256",  
and|strong = "H8104" there|strong = "H8033" is|strong = "H6256"  
a|strong = "H7993" time|strong = "H6256" to|strong = "H6256"  
throw|strong = "H7993" things|strong = "H6256" away|strong = "H7993".

7There|strong = "H8033" is|strong = "H1696" a|strong = "H1696"  
time|strong = "H6256" to|strong = "H1696" tear|strong = "H7167" w  
our|strong = "H3068" w\* w old|strong = "H1121" w\* w  
clothes|strong = "H0899" w\*, and|strong = "H1696" there|strong = "H8033"  
is|strong = "H1696" a|strong = "H1696" time|strong = "H6256"  
to|strong = "H1696" mend|strong = "H2388" w clothes|strong = "H0899" w\*.

T here|strong = "H8033" is|strong = "H1696" a|strong = "H1696"  
time|strong = "H6256" to|strong = "H1696" say|strong = "H1696"  
nothing|strong = "H2814", and|strong = "H1696" there|strong = "H8033"  
is|strong = "H1696" a|strong = "H1696" time|strong = "H6256"  
when|strong = "H6256" we|strong = "H0587" should|strong = "H3068"  
speak|strong = "H1696".

8There|strong = "H7965" is|strong = "H6256" a|strong = "H6256"  
time|strong = "H6256" when|strong = "H6256" we|strong = "H0587"  
should|strong = "H4421" love|strong = "H0157" w things|strong = "H6256" w\*  
w that|strong = "H6256" w\* w people|strong = "H5971" w\* w  
do|strong = "H6213" w\*, and|strong = "H7965" there|strong = "H7965"  
is|strong = "H6256" a|strong = "H6256" time|strong = "H6256"

when|strong = "H6256" we|strong = "H0587" should|strong = "H4421"  
 hate|strong = "H8130" w things|strong = "H6256" w\* w  
 that|strong = "H6256" w\* w people|strong = "H5971" w\* w  
 do|strong = "H6213" w\*.

T here|strong = "H7965" is|strong = "H6256" a|strong = "H6256"  
 time|strong = "H6256" for|strong = "H6256" war|strong = "H4421",  
 and|strong = "H7965" there|strong = "H7965" is|strong = "H6256"  
 a|strong = "H6256" time|strong = "H6256" for|strong = "H6256"  
 peace|strong = "H7965".

9□What|strong = "H4100" do|strong = "H6213" people|strong = "H1931"  
 gain|strong = "H1215" from|strong = "H6213" all|strong = "H6213"  
 the|strong = "H6213" work|strong = "H6213" that|strong = "H1931"  
 they|strong = "H4100" do|strong = "H6213"?/It|strong = "H1931"  
 seems|strong = "H3190" that|strong = "H1931" people|strong = "H1931"  
 gain|strong = "H1215" very|strong = "H6213" little|strong = "H4592"  
 from|strong = "H6213" all|strong = "H6213" the|strong = "H6213"  
 work|strong = "H6213" that|strong = "H1931" they|strong = "H4100"  
 do|strong = "H6213" [RHQ]□. <sup>10</sup> I|strong = "H5414" have|strong = "H1121"  
 seen|strong = "H7200" the|strong = "H7200" work|strong = "H5414"  
 that|strong = "H7200" God|strong = "H5414" has|strong = "H1121"  
 given|strong = "H5414" people|strong = "H1121" to|strong = "H5414"  
 do|strong = "H6031". <sup>11</sup> God|strong = "H5414" has|strong = "H3820"  
 appointed|strong = "H5414" a|strong = "H6213" time|strong = "H6256"  
 that|strong = "H3605" is|strong = "H3820"  
 right|strong = "H1571"/correct|strong = "H3256" for|strong = "H5704"  
 everything|strong = "H3605" to|strong = "H5704" happen|strong = "H4672".  
 He|strong = "H5704" has|strong = "H3820" w also|strong = "H1571" w\*  
 caused|strong = "H5414" people|strong = "H3808" to|strong = "H5704"  
 realize|strong = "H3045" that|strong = "H3605" there|strong = "H4672"  
 are|strong = "H1571" things|strong = "H3605" that|strong = "H3605"  
 will|strong = "H1571" endure|strong = "H5769" forever|strong = "H5769".  
 But|strong = "H3808" in|strong = "H6213" spite|strong = "H5921"  
 of|strong = "H7218" that|strong = "H3605", no|strong = "H3808"  
 one|strong = "H3605" can|strong = "H6213" completely|strong = "H3605"  
 understand|strong = "H0995" everything|strong = "H3605"  
 that|strong = "H3605" God|strong = "H5414" has|strong = "H3820"  
 done|strong = "H6213", from|strong = "H5704" the|strong = "H3605"  
 time|strong = "H6256" that|strong = "H3605" he|strong = "H5704" starts  
 doing|strong = "H6213" things|strong = "H3605" until|strong = "H5704"  
 he|strong = "H5704" finishes|strong = "H3615" them|strong = "H5414". <sup>12</sup>  
 I|strong = "H3588" know|strong = "H3045" that|strong = "H3588"  
 the|strong = "H3588" best|strong = "H2896" [LIT|strong = "H0215"]  
 thing|strong = "H2416" for|strong = "H3588" us|strong = "H6213"

people|strong="H3045" to|strong="H6213" do|strong="H6213"  
 is|strong="H2896" to|strong="H6213" rejoice|strong="H8055"  
 and|strong="H6213" to|strong="H6213" do|strong="H6213"  
 good|strong="H2896" things|strong="H2896" w all|strong="H3045" w\*  
 during|strong="H3117" the|strong="H3588" time|strong="H6256"  
 that|strong="H3588" we|strong="H3588" are|strong="H6213"  
 alive|strong="H2416". <sup>13</sup> And|strong="H7200" I|strong="H7200"  
 also|strong="H1571" know|strong="H3045" that|strong="H7200"  
 everyone|strong="H3605" should|strong="H3068" eat|strong="H0398"  
 and|strong="H7200" drink|strong="H8354", and|strong="H7200"  
 enjoy|strong="H7200" the|strong="H3605" work|strong="H5999"  
 that|strong="H7200" they|strong="H1931" do|strong="H3605".  
 Those|strong="H3605" are|strong="H1571" things|strong="H3605"  
 that|strong="H7200" God|strong="H0430" gives|strong="H5414"  
 to|strong="H7200" us|strong="H7200". <sup>14</sup> I|strong="H3588" w  
 also|strong="H3254" w\* know|strong="H3045" that|strong="H3588"  
 what|strong="H3045" God|strong="H0430" does|strong="H6213"  
 endures|strong="H5769" forever|strong="H5769". No|strong="H6213"  
 one|strong="H3605" can|strong="H3254" add|strong="H3254"  
 to|strong="H1961" what|strong="H3045" God|strong="H0430"  
 does|strong="H6213", and|strong="H5769" no|strong="H6213"  
 one|strong="H3605" can|strong="H3254" take|strong="H6213"  
 away|strong="H4480" from|strong="H4480" the|strong="H3605"  
 things|strong="H3605" that|strong="H3588" God|strong="H0430"  
 does|strong="H6213". God|strong="H0430" does|strong="H6213"  
 those|strong="H3605" things|strong="H3605" in|strong="H5921"  
 order|strong="H4616" that|strong="H3588" people|strong="H1931"  
 would|strong="H6213" revere|strong="H3372" him|strong="H6440".

<sup>15</sup> Things|strong="H1961" that|strong="H1931" exist  
 now|strong="H1961" have|strong="H1961" already|strong="H3528"  
 existed|strong="H1961" previously|strong="H8543",

**a** nd|strong="H1961" things|strong="H1961" that|strong="H1931"  
 will|strong="H1961" happen|strong="H1961" in|strong="H1961"  
 the|strong="H1245" future|strong="H0319" have|strong="H1961"  
 already|strong="H3528" happened|strong="H1961"  
 previously|strong="H8543";

**G** od|strong="H0430" causes|strong="H5414" the|strong="H1245"  
 same|strong="H1931" things|strong="H1961" to|strong="H1961"  
 happen|strong="H1961" many|strong="H4100" times|strong="H6471".  
 Injustices|strong="H5767" in|strong="H1961" the|strong="H1245"  
 world|strong="H8398"

16Furthermore I saw this earth that on this

even in the courts where we expect judges to make about what people had

they did many wicked things

17w So I to myself will righteous and people people

t here is a time w for w him w to that

b ecause there is a time for him to do everything

18And I to myself is to show that w way no animals what people animals and

We|strong = "H3588" all|strong = "H3605" must|strong = "H1121"  
 breathe|strong = "H5397" w to|strong = "H1121" w\* w  
 remain|strong = "H3427" w\* w alive|strong = "H2416" w\*. w  
 With|strong = "H3605" w\* w regard|strong = "H4480" w\* w  
 to|strong = "H1121" w\* w that|strong = "H3588" w\*, people|strong = "H1121"  
 have|strong = "H1121" no|strong = "H4480" advantage|strong = "H4195"  
 over|strong = "H4480" animals|strong = "H0929", so|strong = "H3651"  
 I|strong = "H3588" have|strong = "H1121" a|strong = "H3588"  
 difficult|strong = "H6381" time|strong = "H6256"  
 understanding|strong = "H8394" that|strong = "H3588". 20 w  
 People|strong = "H5971" w\* w and|strong = "H1980" w\* w  
 animals|strong = "H1961" w\* all|strong = "H3605" die|strong = "H1980"  
 and|strong = "H1980" are|strong = "H1961" buried|strong = "H6912".  
 We|strong = "H1980" are|strong = "H1961" all|strong = "H3605"  
 made|strong = "H1961" of|strong = "H4480" soil|strong = "H6083",  
 and|strong = "H1980" w when|strong = "H1961" w\* w  
 we|strong = "H1980" w\* w die|strong = "H1980" w\*, our|strong = "H3605"  
 corpses|strong = "H4480" become|strong = "H1961" soil|strong = "H6083"  
 again|strong = "H7725". 21 No|strong = "H3045" one|strong = "H1931"  
 knows|strong = "H3045" [RHQ] for|strong = "H1121" sure|strong = "H3045"  
 that|strong = "H3045" when|strong = "H1121" we|strong = "H0587"  
 die|strong = "H1121", our|strong = "H3045"  
 souls|strong = "H5315"/spirits|strong = "H7307" go|strong = "H5927"  
 up|strong = "H5927" to|strong = "H3381" heaven|strong = "H4605"  
 and|strong = "H1121" the|strong = "H3045"  
 souls|strong = "H5315"/spirits|strong = "H7307" of|strong = "H1121"  
 animals|strong = "H0929" go|strong = "H5927" down|strong = "H3381"  
 to|strong = "H3381" the|strong = "H3045" place|strong = "H4725"  
 where|strong = "H0834" the|strong = "H3045" dead|strong = "H4191"  
 are|strong = "H1121".

22 So|strong = "H1961" I|strong = "H3588" concluded|strong = "H0560"  
 that|strong = "H3588" the|strong = "H7200" best|strong = "H2896"  
 thing|strong = "H2896" for|strong = "H3588" w us|strong = "H7200" w\*  
 people|strong = "H1931" to|strong = "H1961" do|strong = "H4100"  
 is|strong = "H1931" to|strong = "H1961" be|strong = "H1961"  
 happy|strong = "H8055" about|strong = "H1961" the|strong = "H7200"  
 work|strong = "H4639" that|strong = "H3588" we|strong = "H3588"  
 do|strong = "H4100", because|strong = "H3588" that|strong = "H3588"  
 is|strong = "H1931" what|strong = "H4100" God|strong = "H4310"  
 has|strong = "H4310" given|strong = "H8055" to|strong = "H1961"  
 us|strong = "H7200". I|strong = "H3588" say|strong = "H0559"  
 that|strong = "H3588" because|strong = "H3588" no|strong = "H7200"  
 one|strong = "H1931" of|strong = "H4639" us|strong = "H7200" [RHQ]  
 knows|strong = "H3045" what|strong = "H4100" happens|strong = "H1961"

to|strong = "H1961" us|strong = "H7200" after|strong = "H1961"  
we|strong = "H3588" die|strong = "H4191".

Other things that he found hard to understand/accept

4I|strong = "H2009" thought|strong = "H0559" some|strong = "H3027"  
more|strong = "H7725" about|strong = "H6213" all|strong = "H3605"  
the|strong = "H3605" suffering|strong = "H6040" that|strong = "H7200"  
people|strong = "H7200" are|strong = "H3027" caused|strong = "H6213"  
to|strong = "H7725" experience|strong = "H7200" on|strong = "H7200"  
the|strong = "H3605" earth|strong = "H8121" [MTY].

I |strong = "H2009" saw|strong = "H7200" the|strong = "H3605"  
tears|strong = "H1832" of|strong = "H3027" people|strong = "H7200"  
who|strong = "H3605" were|strong = "H3027"  
□oppressed|strong = "H6231"/treated|strong = "H6213"  
cruelly|strong = "H7188"□

a nd|strong = "H7725" who|strong = "H3605" had|strong = "H3027"  
no|strong = "H6213" one|strong = "H3605" to|strong = "H7725"  
comfort|strong = "H5162"/encourage|strong = "H2388"  
them|strong = "H7725".

T hose|strong = "H3605" who|strong = "H3605" oppressed|strong = "H6231"  
them|strong = "H7725" had|strong = "H3027" power|strong = "H3027",

a nd|strong = "H7725" there|strong = "H2009" was|strong = "H3027"  
absolutely|strong = "H0657" no|strong = "H6213" one|strong = "H3605"  
who|strong = "H3605" was|strong = "H3027" able|strong = "H3027"  
to|strong = "H7725" comfort|strong = "H5162" those|strong = "H3605"  
who|strong = "H3605" were|strong = "H3027" being|strong = "H1961"  
oppressed|strong = "H6231".

2w So|strong = "H4480" w\* I|strong = "H4480" thought|strong = "H0559"  
that|strong = "H4480" those|strong = "H1992" who|strong = "H1992"  
are|strong = "H1992" already|strong = "H3528" dead|strong = "H4191"  
are|strong = "H1992" more|strong = "H4480" fortunate|strong = "H7623"

t han|strong = "H4480" those|strong = "H1992" who|strong = "H1992"  
are|strong = "H1992" still|strong = "H5728" alive|strong = "H2416".

3And|strong = "H7200" those|strong = "H6213" who|strong = "H2896"  
have|strong = "H1961" not|strong = "H3808" been|strong = "H1961"  
born|strong = "H3808" yet|strong = "H3808"



a re|strong = "H4639" more|strong = "H3808" fortunate|strong = "H1409"  
 than|strong = "H2896" those|strong = "H6213" who|strong = "H2896"  
 are|strong = "H4639" still|strong = "H5728" alive|strong = "H7200"  
 and|strong = "H7200" those|strong = "H6213" who|strong = "H2896"  
 have|strong = "H1961" died|strong = "H4191",

w because|strong = "H8478" w\* those|strong = "H6213"  
 who|strong = "H2896" have|strong = "H1961" not|strong = "H3808"  
 been|strong = "H1961" born|strong = "H3808" have|strong = "H1961"  
 not|strong = "H3808" seen|strong = "H7200" all|strong = "H7200"  
 the|strong = "H7200" evil|strong = "H7451" things|strong = "H4639"  
 that|strong = "H7200" are|strong = "H4639" done|strong = "H6213"  
 on|strong = "H7200" the|strong = "H7200" earth|strong = "H8121".

4I|strong = "H3588" also|strong = "H1571" thought|strong = "H0559"  
 about|strong = "H3605" all|strong = "H3605" the|strong = "H3605"  
 hard|strong = "H7186" work|strong = "H4639" that|strong = "H3588"  
 people|strong = "H1931" do|strong = "H4639" and|strong = "H7200"  
 the|strong = "H3605" skills that|strong = "H3588" they|strong = "H3588"  
 have|strong = "H1571". And|strong = "H7200" I|strong = "H3588"  
 thought|strong = "H0559" about|strong = "H3605" how|strong = "H3588"  
 they|strong = "H3588" compete|strong = "H2734" with|strong = "H3605"  
 each|strong = "H3605" other|strong = "H2088" because|strong = "H3588"  
 they|strong = "H3588" are|strong = "H1571" envious|strong = "H7065"  
 of|strong = "H7307" others|strong = "H0312", w and|strong = "H7200" w\* w  
 I|strong = "H3588" w\* w concluded|strong = "H0560" w\* w  
 that|strong = "H3588" w\* this|strong = "H2088" also|strong = "H1571"  
 is|strong = "H2088" something|strong = "H3605" that|strong = "H3588"  
 is|strong = "H2088" not|strong = "H2088" accomplishing|strong = "H6213"  
 anything|strong = "H3605" useful|strong = "H5532", w  
 like|strong = "H7307" w\* chasing|strong = "H7469" the|strong = "H3605"  
 wind|strong = "H7307".

5Foolish|strong = "H3684" people|strong = "H1320" w  
 refuse|strong = "H3985" w\* w to|strong = "H3027" w\* w  
 work|strong = "H3027" w\*;

t hey|strong = "H3027" sit|strong = "H3427" idly|strong = "H1818",  
 with|strong = "H3027" their|strong = "H3027" hands|strong = "H3027"  
 folded|strong = "H3717", w and|strong = "H3027" w\* w  
 do|strong = "H3027" w\* w not|strong = "H3808" w\* w  
 work|strong = "H3027" w\*.

w So|strong = "H3027" w\* they|strong = "H3027" ruin|strong = "H2723"  
themselves|strong = "H0905".

6w So|strong = "H7307" w\* w I|strong = "H0589" w\* w  
say|strong = "H0559" w\*, "It|strong = "H4393" is|strong = "H2896"  
better|strong = "H2896" to|strong = "H2896" be|strong = "H7307"  
content|strong = "H2974" with|strong = "H2896" not|strong = "H3808"  
having|strong = "H0369" much|strong = "H7227" money|strong = "H3701",

t han|strong = "H2896" to|strong = "H2896" work|strong = "H5999"  
very|strong = "H2896" hard|strong = "H7186" and|strong = "H2896"  
try|strong = "H0974" to|strong = "H2896" get|strong = "H3947"  
a|strong = "H7307" lot|strong = "H1486" of|strong = "H7307"  
money|strong = "H3701",

w hich|strong = "H7307" is|strong = "H2896" w as|strong = "H0834" w\* w  
useless|strong = "H1892" w\* w as|strong = "H0834" w\*  
chasing|strong = "H7469" the|strong = "H2896" wind|strong = "H7307"."

7I|strong = "H7200" thought|strong = "H0559" about|strong = "H7725"  
something|strong = "H1697" else|strong = "H5750" that|strong = "H7200"  
happens|strong = "H1961" on|strong = "H7200" the|strong = "H7200"  
earth|strong = "H8121" [MTY] that|strong = "H7200"  
seems|strong = "H3190" senseless|strong = "H1198".

8There|strong = "H3426" are|strong = "H1121" men|strong = "H1121"  
who|strong = "H4310" live|strong = "H3427" alone|strong = "H1931";

t hey|strong = "H3808" do|strong = "H5869" not|strong = "H3808"  
have|strong = "H3426" a|strong = "H3426" wife|strong = "H0802"  
or|strong = "H3808" children|strong = "H1121" or|strong = "H3808"  
any|strong = "H3605" brothers|strong = "H1121" living|strong = "H5315"  
with|strong = "H7646" them|strong = "H1121";

e very|strong = "H3605" day|strong = "H3117" they|strong = "H3808"  
work|strong = "H5999" w very|strong = "H2088" w\* w  
hard|strong = "H7186" w\*, without|strong = "H3808"  
stopping|strong = "H2014", to|strong = "H1121" get|strong = "H7646"  
a|strong = "H3426" lot|strong = "H1486" of|strong = "H1121"  
money|strong = "H3701",

**b** ut|strong = "H3808" they|strong = "H3808" are|strong = "H1121"  
 never|strong = "H3808" satisfied|strong = "H7646" with|strong = "H7646"  
 the|strong = "H3605" things|strong = "H3605" that|strong = "H3605"  
 they|strong = "H3808" have|strong = "H3426".

**T** hey|strong = "H3808" never|strong = "H3808" ask|strong = "H7592" w  
 themselves|strong = "H5315" w\*,

“ Why|strong = "H3808" am|strong = "H3426" I|strong = "H5315"  
 working|strong = "H4639" very|strong = "H2088" hard|strong = "H7186"  
 to|strong = "H1121" earn more|strong = "H8145" money|strong = "H3701"?”

**W** hy|strong = "H3808" am|strong = "H3426" I|strong = "H5315"  
 not|strong = "H3808" doing|strong = "H7451" things|strong = "H3605"  
 that|strong = "H3605" would|strong = "H4310" cause|strong = "H2600"  
 me|strong = "H5315" to|strong = "H1121" be|strong = "H3426"  
 happy|strong = "H2896"?”

**W** hat|strong = "H4310" they|strong = "H3808" do|strong = "H5869"  
 also|strong = "H1571" seems|strong = "H3605" senseless|strong = "H1198".

9Having|strong = "H0369" someone|strong = "H0376" w  
 work|strong = "H5999" w\* with|strong = "H8147" you|strong = "H4480"  
 is|strong = "H3426" better|strong = "H2896" than|strong = "H4480"  
 being|strong = "H1961" by|strong = "H4480" yourself|strong = "H0859" w  
 all|strong = "H4480" w\* w the|strong = "H4480" w\* w  
 time|strong = "H8147" w\*.

**I** f|strong = "H3426" you|strong = "H4480" have|strong = "H3426"  
 a|strong = "H3426" friend|strong = "H7453", he|strong = "H4480"  
 can|strong = "H3426" help|strong = "H4480" you|strong = "H4480"  
 to|strong = "H2896" do|strong = "H3426" your|strong = "H4480"  
 work|strong = "H5999".

10If|strong = "H3588" you|strong = "H3588" fall|strong = "H5307"  
 down|strong = "H5307", he|strong = "H3588" can|strong = "H4310"  
 help|strong = "H6965" you|strong = "H3588" get|strong = "H6965"  
 up|strong = "H6965" again|strong = "H8145".

**B** ut|strong = "H3588" if|strong = "H3588" you|strong = "H3588"  
 fall|strong = "H5307" down|strong = "H5307" when|strong = "H3588"  
 you|strong = "H3588" are|strong = "H2270" alone|strong = "H0905",  
 it|strong = "H3588" will|strong = "H5307" be|strong = "H3588"  
 difficult|strong = "H6381" for|strong = "H3588" you|strong = "H3588",

**b** ecause|strong = "H3588" there|strong = "H6965" will|strong = "H5307"  
 be|strong = "H3588" no|strong = "H6965" one|strong = "H3588"  
 to|strong = "H6965" help|strong = "H6965" you|strong = "H3588"  
 stand|strong = "H6965" up|strong = "H6965".

11 Similarly|strong = "H2088", if|strong = "H0518" two|strong = "H8147"  
 people|strong = "H1571" sleep|strong = "H7901" together|strong = "H1571",

**t** hey|strong = "H1571" can|strong = "H8147" keep|strong = "H2552"  
 each|strong = "H8147" other|strong = "H8147" warm|strong = "H2552".

**B** ut|strong = "H1571" someone|strong = "H0376" who|strong = "H0834"  
 sleeps|strong = "H7901" alone|strong = "H0905" will|strong = "H1571"  
 certainly|strong = "H1571" not|strong = "H1571" [RHQ] be|strong = "H1571"  
 warm|strong = "H2552".

12 Someone|strong = "H0376" who|strong = "H5975" is|strong = "H5975"  
 alone|strong = "H0905" can|strong = "H3808" easily|strong = "H4592"  
 be|strong = "H3808" attacked|strong = "H5975" and|strong = "H5975"  
 defeated|strong = "H5221" by|strong = "H5975" another|strong = "H3808"  
 person|strong = "H5315",

**b** ut|strong = "H3808" two|strong = "H8147" people|strong = "H3808"  
 can|strong = "H3808" help|strong = "H5826" each|strong = "H8147"  
 other|strong = "H8147" and|strong = "H5975"  
 □ resist|strong = "H5975"/defend|strong = "H5975"  
 themselves|strong = "H0905" against|strong = "H5048" □  
 someone|strong = "H0376" who|strong = "H5975" attacks|strong = "H5221"  
 them|strong = "H5975".

w Three|strong = "H8027" w\* w people|strong = "H3808" w\* w  
 can|strong = "H3808" w\* w defend|strong = "H5975" w\* w  
 themselves|strong = "H0905" w\* w even|strong = "H3808" w\* w  
 more|strong = "H3808" w\* w easily|strong = "H4592" w\*,

w like|strong = "H3808" w\* a|strong = "H5975" rope|strong = "H2339"  
 that|strong = "H3808" is|strong = "H5975" made|strong = "H5975"  
 from|strong = "H5975" three|strong = "H8027" cords|strong = "H4340"  
 is|strong = "H5975" harder|strong = "H2389" to|strong = "H5975"  
 break|strong = "H5423" w than|strong = "H3808" w\* w a|strong = "H5975" w\*  
 w rope|strong = "H2339" w\* w made|strong = "H5975" w\* w  
 from|strong = "H5975" w\* w two|strong = "H8147" w\* w  
 cords|strong = "H4340" w\*.

When a poor man becomes king

13A young man is poor but wise a better person than old king who refuses attention when people try him good advice. <sup>14</sup> It is possible for a young man like that to succeed day even parents or he prison the then young king starts to pleased Large people him a they him it chasing wind

Be careful about making promises

5When God's should be sure

to|strong = "H3318" listen|strong = "H8085" carefully|strong = "H6213".  
 Doing|strong = "H3318" that|strong = "H3588" is|strong = "H3820"  
 better|strong = "H5921" than|strong = "H5921" offering|strong = "H4503"  
 sacrifices|strong = "H2077" to|strong = "H3318" God|strong = "H8064" w  
 and|strong = "H8064" w\* w then|strong = "H1961" w\* w  
 not|strong = "H1961" w\* w obeying|strong = "H8085" w\* w  
 him|strong = "H6440" w\*, which|strong = "H1697" is|strong = "H3820"  
 foolish|strong = "H3684".

2Think|strong = "H2803" carefully|strong = "H6213"  
 before|strong = "H6440" you|strong = "H3588" speak|strong = "H1697"  
 [MTY]

o r|strong = "H6963" before|strong = "H6440" you|strong = "H3588"  
 promise|strong = "H1697" God|strong = "H0430" that|strong = "H3588"  
 you|strong = "H3588" will|strong = "H1697" do|strong = "H1697"  
 something|strong = "H1697" [IDM].

w Do|strong = "H1697" w\* w not|strong = "H3588" w\* w  
 forget|strong = "H7911" w\* w that|strong = "H3588" w\* God|strong = "H0430"  
 is|strong = "H1697" in|strong = "H1697" heaven|strong = "H8064" w  
 and|strong = "H6963" w\* w he|strong = "H3588" w\* w is|strong = "H1697" w\*  
 all-powerful

a nd|strong = "H6963" you|strong = "H3588" are|strong = "H1697"  
 here|strong = "H6311" on|strong = "H1697" the|strong = "H3588"  
 earth|strong = "H0776",

s o|strong = "H1697" think|strong = "H2803" carefully|strong = "H6213"  
 before|strong = "H6440" you|strong = "H3588" w make|strong = "H3588" w\*  
 w any|strong = "H1697" w\* w promises|strong = "H1697" w\* w  
 to|strong = "H1697" w\* w God|strong = "H0430" w\*.

3If|strong = "H3588" you|strong = "H3588" are|strong = "H5088"  
 continually|strong = "H8548" thinking|strong = "H0559" w  
 and|strong = "H5088" w\* w worrying|strong = "H4480" w\*  
 about|strong = "H5439" things|strong = "H2656",

y ou|strong = "H3588" will|strong = "H3684" have|strong = "H3588"  
 bad|strong = "H7451" dreams|strong = "H2472" about|strong = "H5439"  
 them|strong = "H3588" and|strong = "H5088" not|strong = "H3588"  
 rest|strong = "H5117" w well|strong = "H3190" w\*.

And the more you talk,

the more likely it will be that you will say things that are foolish.

4When you solemnly promise God that you will do something, do not be delaying in doing it, because God is with foolish people. Do all things that you promise God that you will do. <sup>5</sup> It is better to not promise w anything than to promise something, and w then it is. <sup>6</sup> Do not sin by promising to do something and then not doing it. And w when w you w promise w God w to do something w and w do w not w do w it, say to God's priest that it was a mistake for you to promise to do that. If you

do|strong = "H1697" that|strong = "H3588", God|strong = "H0430"  
 will|strong = "H1697" certainly|strong = "H3588" [RHQ]  
 become|strong = "H3372" very|strong = "H7235" angry|strong = "H2734"  
 with|strong = "H1697" you|strong = "H3588", and|strong = "H1697"  
 he|strong = "H3588" will|strong = "H1697" take|strong = "H7235"  
 from|strong = "H1697" you|strong = "H3588" everything|strong = "H3605"  
 that|strong = "H3588" you|strong = "H3588" [SYN] have|strong = "H1697"  
 worked|strong = "H2388" to|strong = "H1697" acquire|strong = "H7069". 7  
 Promising|strong = "H1696" to|strong = "H5921" do|strong = "H8104"  
 something|strong = "H8104" and|strong = "H4941" not|strong = "H3588"  
 doing|strong = "H6213" it|strong = "H5921" is|strong = "H4941"  
 like|strong = "H5921" [SIM] a|strong = "H3588" dream|strong = "H2472"  
 that|strong = "H3588" has|strong = "H3588" no|strong = "H7200"  
 value|strong = "H6186"; instead|strong = "H3588", revere|strong = "H3372"  
 God|strong = "H0430" w by|strong = "H5921" w\* w  
 doing|strong = "H6213" w\* w what|strong = "H6664" w\* w  
 you|strong = "H3588" w\* w promised|strong = "H1696" w\* w  
 him|strong = "H5921" w\* w that|strong = "H3588" w\* w  
 you|strong = "H3588" w\* w would|strong = "H0014" w\* w  
 do|strong = "H8104" w\*.  
 Officials|strong = "H1364" cheat|strong = "H5791" each|strong = "H4082"  
 other|strong = "H0312"

8Do|strong = "H5647" not|strong = "H3808" be|strong = "H4428"  
 surprised|strong = "H8610" if|strong = "H1931" you|strong = "H3605"  
 see|strong = "H7200" poor|strong = "H6041" w people|strong = "H1931" w\*  
 being|strong = "H1961"  
 □oppressed|strong = "H6231"/treated|strong = "H3190"  
 cruelly|strong = "H7188" □ w by|strong = "H3605" w\* w  
 powerful|strong = "H2392" w\*/influential w people|strong = "H1931" w\*,  
 or|strong = "H7704" if|strong = "H1931" you|strong = "H3605"  
 see|strong = "H7200" judges|strong = "H8199" making|strong = "H3605"  
 unjust|strong = "H5766" decisions|strong = "H4941"  
 throughout|strong = "H3605" the|strong = "H3605" land|strong = "H7704". w  
 That|strong = "H3605" w\* w happens|strong = "H1961" w\*  
 because|strong = "H3605" the|strong = "H3605" people|strong = "H1931"  
 who|strong = "H3605" do|strong = "H5647" that|strong = "H3605"  
 are|strong = "H4428" supervised|strong = "H5921" w  
 and|strong = "H4428" w\* w cheated|strong = "H8524" w\* w  
 by|strong = "H3605" w\* more|strong = "H3254" important|strong = "H5704"  
 officials|strong = "H8269" [DOU], 9 and|strong = "H3701"  
 even|strong = "H1571" the|strong = "H1571" king|strong = "H4428"  
 forces|strong = "H2428" the|strong = "H1571" people|strong = "H3808"  
 to|strong = "H3701" give|strong = "H5414" him|strong = "H2088"  
 some|strong = "H4480" of|strong = "H1995" the|strong = "H1571"



crops|strong = "H8393" that|strong = "H2088" they|strong = "H3808"  
 harvest|strong = "H8393".  
 The|strong = "H1571" futility|strong = "H1892" of|strong = "H1995"  
 wealth|strong = "H1995"

10Everyone|strong = "H3605" who|strong = "H2896"  
 tries|strong = "H0974" to|strong = "H5869" w get|strong = "H3947" w\* w  
 as|strong = "H3588" w\* w much|strong = "H7235" w\*  
 money|strong = "H3701" as|strong = "H3588" they|strong = "H3588"  
 can|strong = "H4100"

w ill|strong = "H5869" never|strong = "H3808" think|strong = "H5869"  
 that|strong = "H3588" they|strong = "H3588" have|strong = "H5869"  
 enough|strong = "H1767".

T hey|strong = "H3588" will|strong = "H5869" never|strong = "H3808"  
 be|strong = "H5869" satisfied|strong = "H7646" with|strong = "H5869"  
 the|strong = "H3588" money|strong = "H3701" that|strong = "H3588"  
 they|strong = "H3588" have|strong = "H5869".

T hat|strong = "H3588" also|strong = "H5869" is|strong = "H4100"  
 senseless|strong = "H1198".

11The|strong = "H5647" more|strong = "H7235" money|strong = "H3701"  
 that|strong = "H5647" we|strong = "H0587" have|strong = "H4592",

t he|strong = "H5647" more|strong = "H7235" people|strong = "H3240"  
 want|strong = "H4270" us|strong = "H5647" to|strong = "H7235"  
 spend|strong = "H3885" our|strong = "H3068" money|strong = "H3701"  
 to|strong = "H7235" buy|strong = "H7069" things|strong = "H1697"  
 for|strong = "H4966" them|strong = "H5647".

S o|strong = "H7235" people|strong = "H3240" who|strong = "H0834"  
 have|strong = "H4592" a|strong = "H3462" lot|strong = "H1486"  
 of|strong = "H5647" money|strong = "H3701" do|strong = "H5647"  
 not|strong = "H3808" [RHQ] benefit|strong = "H1576" from|strong = "H7235"  
 it|strong = "H3240";

t hey|strong = "H5647" see|strong = "H7200" [MTY] it|strong = "H3240"  
 when|strong = "H7235" they|strong = "H5647" get|strong = "H3947"  
 it|strong = "H3240", but|strong = "H5647" it|strong = "H3240"  
 soon|strong = "H4592" □ disappears|strong = "H0622"/is|strong = "H0369"  
 completely|strong = "H7647" spent|strong = "H3885" □.

12Those|strong = "H1992" who|strong = "H8104" work|strong = "H4399"  
hard|strong = "H7186" sleep|strong = "H7200" peacefully|strong = "H7965" w  
at|strong = "H7200" w\* w night|strong = "H3915" w\*,

e ven|strong = "H1571" if|strong = "H7200" they|strong = "H7200"  
do|strong = "H8104" not|strong = "H7200" have|strong = "H3426"  
much|strong = "H7227" food|strong = "H3899" to|strong = "H8104"  
eat|strong = "H0398".

**B** ut|strong = "H7200" rich|strong = "H6239" w people|strong = "H7200" w\*  
do|strong = "H8104" not|strong = "H7200" sleep|strong = "H7200"  
well|strong = "H3190",

**b** ecause|strong = "H8478" w they|strong = "H7200" w\* w  
worry|strong = "H2347" w\* about|strong = "H5439" their|strong = "H7200"  
money|strong = "H3701".

13I|strong = "H3027" have|strong = "H1121" seen|strong = "H7200" w  
another|strong = "H7451" w\* terrible|strong = "H7451"  
thing|strong = "H3972" that|strong = "H1931" happens|strong = "H1961"  
here|strong = "H6311" on|strong = "H3027" the|strong = "H3205"  
earth|strong = "H0776" [MTY]:

**P** eople|strong = "H1121" save|strong = "H3467" w up|strong = "H3205" w\*  
w all|strong = "H3605" w\* their|strong = "H7451" money|strong = "H3701"  
and|strong = "H1121" become|strong = "H3205" rich|strong = "H6239",

w but|strong = "H1931" w\* they|strong = "H1931" are|strong = "H1121"  
not|strong = "H1121" helped|strong = "H3027" by|strong = "H3027"  
saving|strong = "H3468" a|strong = "H3205" lot|strong = "H1486"  
of|strong = "H1121" money|strong = "H3701",

14w because|strong = "H3027" w\* something|strong = "H3972"  
happens|strong = "H1961" that|strong = "H3027" causes|strong = "H3318"  
their|strong = "H5375" money|strong = "H3701" to|strong = "H7725"  
be|strong = "H3808" gone|strong = "H3318",

**a** nd|strong = "H7725" when|strong = "H3318" they|strong = "H3808"  
die|strong = "H4191",

t here is no money for their children to get inherited.

15When we are born,

we do not bring anything with us,

and when we die,

we take nothing with us

from all that we have earned by our working hard.

16That also seems senseless.

People bring nothing with them into the world when they are born,

and they leave this world taking nothing with them.

They have worked hard,

but they receive no lasting benefit [MET].

17w Furthermore|strong = "H2009"w\*, w rich|strong = "H6223"w\* w  
 people|strong = "H1931"w\* are|strong = "H3117" always|strong = "H3605"  
 miserable|strong = "H5999" [MET|strong = "H6298"] and|strong = "H3117"  
 sad|strong = "H7451",

a nd|strong = "H3117"  
 depressed|strong = "H2416"/discouraged|strong = "H7503"  
 and|strong = "H3117" often|strong = "H1767" sick|strong = "H2470"  
 and|strong = "H3117" □resentful/thinking|strong = "H0559"  
 that|strong = "H3588" what|strong = "H2896" has|strong = "H3117"  
 happened|strong = "H1961" to|strong = "H5414" them|strong = "H5414"  
 is|strong = "H1931" unfair|strong = "H5999"□.

18So|strong = "H4480", the|strong = "H3605" best|strong = "H2459"  
 thing|strong = "H3605" for|strong = "H3605" people|strong = "H1931"  
 to|strong = "H5414" do|strong = "H3605" here|strong = "H6311"  
 on|strong = "H5375" the|strong = "H3605" earth|strong = "H0776"  
 during|strong = "H3605" the|strong = "H3605" few|strong = "H4592"  
 years|strong = "H8141" that|strong = "H3605" God|strong = "H5414"  
 allows|strong = "H7617" them|strong = "H5414" to|strong = "H5414"  
 be|strong = "H1571" alive|strong = "H2416" is|strong = "H1931"  
 to|strong = "H5414" eat|strong = "H0398" and|strong = "H6239"  
 drink|strong = "H8354" and|strong = "H6239" to|strong = "H5414"  
 enjoy|strong = "H7200" their|strong = "H3605" work|strong = "H5999",  
 because|strong = "H4480" those|strong = "H3605" are|strong = "H1571"  
 the|strong = "H3605" things|strong = "H3605" that|strong = "H3605"  
 God|strong = "H5414" has|strong = "H1571" given|strong = "H5414"  
 to|strong = "H5414" them|strong = "H5414". <sup>19</sup> If|strong = "H3588"  
 people|strong = "H3808" are|strong = "H3117" rich|strong = "H6223"  
 and|strong = "H3117" have|strong = "H3117" a|strong = "H3588"  
 lot|strong = "H1486" of|strong = "H3117" possessions|strong = "H7399",  
 and|strong = "H3117" are|strong = "H3117" able|strong = "H3201"  
 to|strong = "H3820" □enjoy|strong = "H7200"/be|strong = "H3808"  
 happy|strong = "H8057" with|strong = "H3117"□ the|strong = "H3588"  
 things|strong = "H3808" that|strong = "H3588" they|strong = "H3588"  
 have|strong = "H3117" and|strong = "H3117" to|strong = "H3820"  
 enjoy|strong = "H7200" their|strong = "H3588" work|strong = "H4399",  
 those|strong = "H3588" things|strong = "H3808" are|strong = "H3117" w  
 also|strong = "H3117"w\* gifts|strong = "H4979" from|strong = "H3117"  
 God|strong = "H3808". <sup>20</sup> Those|strong = "H1992" people|strong = "H5971"  
 do|strong = "H6213" not|strong = "H3808" worry|strong = "H2347"  
 much|strong = "H7227" about|strong = "H5439" w  
 everything|strong = "H3605"w\* w that|strong = "H0834"w\* w  
 has|strong = "H3068"w\* w happened|strong = "H1961"w\*  
 during|strong = "H3117" the|strong = "H3605" time|strong = "H6256"

that|strong = "H0834" they|strong = "H1992" have|strong = "H1961"  
 been|strong = "H1961" alive|strong = "H2416", because|strong = "H3588"  
 God|strong = "H0430" enables them|strong = "H5414" to|strong = "H0413"  
 be|strong = "H1961" happy|strong = "H0835" doing|strong = "H6213"  
 everything|strong = "H3605" that|strong = "H0834" they|strong = "H1992"  
 do|strong = "H6213".

6I|strong = "H5921" have|strong = "H3426" seen|strong = "H7200"  
 something|strong = "H1697" w else|strong = "H5750" w\* w  
 here|strong = "H3426" w\* on|strong = "H5921" this|strong = "H1931"  
 earth|strong = "H8121" that|strong = "H7200" troubles|strong = "H7451"  
 people|strong = "H1931". <sup>2</sup> God|strong = "H5414" enables  
 some|strong = "H4480" people|strong = "H5315" to|strong = "H5414"  
 get|strong = "H3947" a|strong = "H5414" lot|strong = "H1486"  
 of|strong = "H4480" money|strong = "H3701" and|strong = "H6239"  
 possessions|strong = "H7399" and|strong = "H6239" to|strong = "H5414"  
 be|strong = "H3808" honored|strong = "H3519"; they|strong = "H3588"  
 have|strong = "H5414" everything|strong = "H3605" [LIT|strong = "H0215"]  
 that|strong = "H3588" they|strong = "H3588" want|strong = "H3808".

But|strong = "H3588" God|strong = "H5414" w  
 sometimes|strong = "H3426" w\* does|strong = "H3808" not|strong = "H3808"  
 allow|strong = "H5414" them|strong = "H5414" to|strong = "H5414"  
 continue|strong = "H1961" to|strong = "H5414" enjoy|strong = "H7200"  
 those|strong = "H3605" things|strong = "H3605". Someone|strong = "H5315"  
 else|strong = "H3808" gets|strong = "H8610" them|strong = "H5414"  
 and|strong = "H6239" enjoys|strong = "H0398" them|strong = "H5414".  
 That|strong = "H3588" seems|strong = "H3605" senseless|strong = "H1198"  
 and|strong = "H6239" unfair|strong = "H5766".

3Someone|strong = "H5315" might|strong = "H1369"  
 have|strong = "H1961" 100 children|strong = "H3205" and|strong = "H3967"  
 live|strong = "H2421" for|strong = "H3117" many|strong = "H7227"  
 years|strong = "H8141". But|strong = "H3808" if|strong = "H1961"  
 he|strong = "H3117" is|strong = "H5315" not|strong = "H3808"  
 able|strong = "H3201" to|strong = "H1961" enjoy|strong = "H7646"  
 the|strong = "H3205" things|strong = "H1961" that|strong = "H3117"  
 he|strong = "H3117" has|strong = "H1961" acquired|strong = "H6213",  
 and|strong = "H3967" if|strong = "H1961" he|strong = "H3117"  
 is|strong = "H5315" not|strong = "H3808" buried|strong = "H6912" w  
 properly|strong = "H4941" w\* w after|strong = "H4480" w\* w  
 he|strong = "H3117" w\* w dies|strong = "H4191" w\*, w I|strong = "H3117" w\*  
 w say|strong = "H0559" w\* w that|strong = "H3117" w\* a|strong = "H1961"  
 child|strong = "H3205" that|strong = "H3117" is|strong = "H5315"  
 dead|strong = "H5315" when|strong = "H1961" it|strong = "H1961"  
 is|strong = "H5315" born|strong = "H3205" is|strong = "H5315"

more|strong = "H4480" fortunate|strong = "H1409". <sup>4</sup>  
 That|strong = "H3588" dead|strong = "H4191" baby's birth|strong = "H3205"  
 is|strong = "H8034" meaningless|strong = "H8414"; it|strong = "H3588"  
 does|strong = "H6213" not|strong = "H3588" even|strong = "H3588"  
 have|strong = "H3588" a|strong = "H3588" name|strong = "H8034".  
 It|strong = "H3588" goes|strong = "H1980" directly|strong = "H5227"  
 to|strong = "H3212" the|strong = "H3588" place|strong = "H4725"  
 where|strong = "H0834" there|strong = "H8034" is|strong = "H8034"  
 only|strong = "H3588" darkness|strong = "H2822". <sup>5</sup> It|strong = "H7200"  
 does|strong = "H3808" not|strong = "H3808" w live|strong = "H3427" w\* w  
 to|strong = "H7200" w\* see|strong = "H7200" the|strong = "H7200"  
 sun|strong = "H8121" or|strong = "H3808" know|strong = "H3045"  
 anything|strong = "H3808". But|strong = "H3808" it|strong = "H7200"  
 finds|strong = "H4672" more|strong = "H3808" rest|strong = "H5183"  
 than|strong = "H3808" rich|strong = "H6223" people|strong = "H3808"  
 do|strong = "H2088" w who|strong = "H2088" w\* w are|strong = "H1571" w\*  
 w alive|strong = "H7200" w\*. <sup>6</sup> Even|strong = "H3808" if|strong = "H7200"  
 people|strong = "H3808" could|strong = "H2421" live|strong = "H2421"  
 for|strong = "H3605" 2,000 years|strong = "H8141", if|strong = "H7200"  
 they|strong = "H3808" do|strong = "H3605" not|strong = "H3808"  
 enjoy|strong = "H7200" the|strong = "H3605" things|strong = "H3605"  
 that|strong = "H7200" God|strong = "H3808" gives|strong = "H2421"  
 to|strong = "H1980" them|strong = "H7200", w it|strong = "H7200" w\* w  
 would|strong = "H2421" w\* w have|strong = "H7200" w\* w  
 been|strong = "H3808" w\* w better|strong = "H2896" w\* w  
 for|strong = "H3605" w\* w them|strong = "H7200" w\* w  
 never|strong = "H3808" w\* w to|strong = "H1980" w\* w  
 have|strong = "H7200" w\* w been|strong = "H3808" w\* w  
 born|strong = "H3808" w\*.

w All|strong = "H3605" w\* w people|strong = "H3808" w\* w  
 who|strong = "H3605" w\* w live|strong = "H2421" w\* w  
 a|strong = "H7200" w\* w long|strong = "H3605" w\* w  
 time|strong = "H6471" w\* certainly|strong = "H3808" [RHQ]  
 all|strong = "H3605" go|strong = "H1980" to|strong = "H1980"  
 the|strong = "H3605" same|strong = "H1931" place|strong = "H4725"— w  
 to|strong = "H1980" w\* w the|strong = "H3605" w\* w  
 grave|strong = "H6913" w\*.

7People|strong = "H5315" work|strong = "H5999" hard|strong = "H7186"  
 to|strong = "H6310" earn w enough|strong = "H1571" w\* w  
 money|strong = "H3701" w\* w to|strong = "H6310" w\* w  
 buy|strong = "H7069" w\* food|strong = "H3899" to|strong = "H6310"  
 eat|strong = "H6310" [MTY],

**b** ut|strong = "H3808" w often|strong = "H1767" w\* they|strong = "H3808"  
never|strong = "H3808" get|strong = "H3947" enough|strong = "H1571"  
to|strong = "H6310" eat|strong = "H6310".

8So|strong = "H1980" it|strong = "H3588" seems|strong = "H3045"  
that|strong = "H3588" [RHQ] wise|strong = "H2450" people|strong = "H3045"  
do|strong = "H4100" not|strong = "H3045" receive|strong = "H2416"  
more|strong = "H4480" lasting|strong = "H5769" benefits|strong = "H8408"

**t** han|strong = "H4480" foolish|strong = "H3684" people|strong = "H3045"  
do|strong = "H4100".

**A** nd|strong = "H1980" it|strong = "H3588" seems|strong = "H3045"  
that|strong = "H3588" [RHQ] poor|strong = "H6041"  
people|strong = "H3045" do|strong = "H4100" not|strong = "H3045"  
benefit|strong = "H1576" from|strong = "H4480" knowing|strong = "H3045"  
how|strong = "H4100" to|strong = "H1980" conduct|strong = "H4480"  
their|strong = "H3588" lives|strong = "H2416".

9It|strong = "H1980" is|strong = "H2088" better|strong = "H2896"  
to|strong = "H1980" enjoy|strong = "H7200" the|strong = "H1571"  
things|strong = "H2896" that|strong = "H5315" we|strong = "H5315"  
already|strong = "H1980" have|strong = "H5869" [MTY]

**t** han|strong = "H2896" to|strong = "H1980" constantly|strong = "H8548"  
want|strong = "H5315" more|strong = "H1980" things|strong = "H2896";

**c** ontinually|strong = "H1980" wanting|strong = "H6485"  
more|strong = "H1980" things|strong = "H2896" is|strong = "H2088" w  
senseless|strong = "H1198" w\*,

w like|strong = "H4758" w\* chasing|strong = "H7469" the|strong = "H1571"  
wind|strong = "H7307".

10All|strong = "H3045" the|strong = "H4480" things|strong = "H5973"  
that|strong = "H3045" exist w on|strong = "H1961" w\* w  
the|strong = "H4480" w\* w earth|strong = "H0776" w\* have|strong = "H1961"  
been|strong = "H1961" given|strong = "H7121" names|strong = "H8034".

**A** nd|strong = "H3045" everyone|strong = "H3605" knows|strong = "H3045"  
what|strong = "H4100" people|strong = "H3808" are|strong = "H4100"  
like|strong = "H1961",

w so|strong = "H4480"w\* it|strong = "H1931" is|strong = "H1931"  
 useless|strong = "H3808" to|strong = "H3201" argue|strong = "H3198"  
 with|strong = "H5973" someone|strong = "H0376" (OR|strong = "H3808",  
 with|strong = "H5973" God|strong = "H3808")

w ho|strong = "H1931" is|strong = "H1931" stronger|strong = "H2388"  
 than|strong = "H4480" we|strong = "H4480" are|strong = "H4100".

11The|strong = "H3588" more|strong = "H7235" w  
 that|strong = "H3588"w\* w we|strong = "H3588"w\* talk|strong = "H1697",

t he|strong = "H3588" more|strong = "H7235" w often|strong = "H7235"w\*  
 w we|strong = "H3588"w\* w say|strong = "H1697"w\* w  
 things|strong = "H1697"w\* w that|strong = "H3588"w\* w  
 are|strong = "H4100"w\* senseless|strong = "H1198",

s o|strong = "H1697" it|strong = "H3588" certainly|strong = "H3588"  
 does|strong = "H4100" not|strong = "H3588" [RHQ] benefit|strong = "H1576"  
 us|strong = "H3588" to|strong = "H1697" talk|strong = "H1697"  
 a|strong = "H3588" lot|strong = "H1486".

12We|strong = "H3588" live|strong = "H2416" for|strong = "H3588"  
 only|strong = "H3588" a|strong = "H1961" short|strong = "H7138"  
 time|strong = "H3117"; we|strong = "H3588" disappear|strong = "H0622"  
 like|strong = "H1961" [SIM] a|strong = "H1961" shadow|strong = "H6738"  
 disappears|strong = "H0622" w in|strong = "H6213"w\* w  
 the|strong = "H3588"w\* w sunlight|strong = "H0216"w\*.  
 No|strong = "H6213" one|strong = "H2416" [RHQ] knows|strong = "H3045"  
 what|strong = "H4100" is|strong = "H4310" best|strong = "H2896"  
 for|strong = "H3588" us|strong = "H5046" while|strong = "H1961"  
 we|strong = "H3588" are|strong = "H3117" alive|strong = "H2416",  
 and|strong = "H3117" no|strong = "H6213" one|strong = "H2416" [RHQ]  
 knows|strong = "H3045" what|strong = "H4100" will|strong = "H4310"  
 happen|strong = "H1961" to|strong = "H1961" us|strong = "H5046"  
 after|strong = "H1961" we|strong = "H3588" die|strong = "H4191" [EUP].  
 The best things in life

7w Having|strong = "H3205"w\* a|strong = "H3205" good|strong = "H2896"  
 reputation|strong = "H8034" [MTY] is|strong = "H3117"  
 better|strong = "H2896" than|strong = "H2896" fine|strong = "H2896"  
 perfume|strong = "H7004",



**a** nd|strong="H3117" the|strong="H3205" day|strong="H3117"  
 that|strong="H3117" we|strong="H3117" die|strong="H4194"  
 is|strong="H3117" better|strong="H2896" than|strong="H2896"  
 the|strong="H3205" day|strong="H3117" that|strong="H3117"  
 we|strong="H3117" are|strong="H3117" born|strong="H3205".

2It|strong="H5414" is|strong="H1931" better|strong="H2896"  
 to|strong="H3212" go|strong="H3212" to|strong="H3212"  
 a|strong="H5414" house|strong="H1004" where|strong="H1004"  
 people|strong="H1931" are|strong="H1004" mourning|strong="H0060" w  
 about|strong="H3605" w\* w someone|strong="H5414" w\* w  
 who|strong="H3605" w\* w has|strong="H3820" w\* w  
 died|strong="H4191" w\*

**t** han|strong="H2896" to|strong="H3212" go|strong="H3212"  
 to|strong="H3212" a|strong="H5414" house|strong="H1004"  
 where|strong="H1004" people|strong="H1931" are|strong="H1004"  
 feasting|strong="H4960",

**b** ecause|strong="H3605" everyone|strong="H3605"  
 will|strong="H1004" die|strong="H4191" some|strong="H3605"  
 day|strong="H3117",

**a** nd|strong="H1004" people|strong="H1931" who|strong="H3605"  
 are|strong="H1004" alive|strong="H2416" should|strong="H3068"  
 think|strong="H3820" seriously|strong="H3820" [IDM]  
 about|strong="H3605" that|strong="H3605".

3It|strong="H3588" is|strong="H3820" better|strong="H2896"  
 to|strong="H3820" be|strong="H3820" sad|strong="H7455"  
 than|strong="H2896" to|strong="H3820" be|strong="H3820" w  
 always|strong="H3605" w\* laughing|strong="H7814",

**b** ecause|strong="H3588" being|strong="H1961" sad|strong="H7455"  
 can|strong="H4310" cause|strong="H2600" us|strong="H6440"  
 to|strong="H3820" think|strong="H3820" more|strong="H3588"  
 about|strong="H5439" how|strong="H3588" we|strong="H3588"  
 should|strong="H3588" conduct|strong="H1870" our|strong="H3588"  
 lives|strong="H5315" [IDM].

4Wise|strong="H2450" w people|strong="H3820" w\*  
 who|strong="H2450" go|strong="H1980" to|strong="H3820"  
 where|strong="H1004" others|strong="H0312" are|strong="H2450"  
 mourning|strong="H0060" think|strong="H3820" about|strong="H1004"

w the|strong = "H1004"w\* w fact|strong = "H1589"w\* w  
 that|strong = "H1004"w\* w some|strong = "H4480"w\* w  
 day|strong = "H3117"w\* w they|strong = "H3820"w\* w  
 also|strong = "H3820"w\* w will|strong = "H1004"w\* die|strong = "H4191",

**b** ut|strong = "H3820" foolish|strong = "H3684" people|strong = "H3820"  
 [PRS] w do|strong = "H6213"w\* w not|strong = "H3808"w\* w  
 think|strong = "H3820"w\* w about|strong = "H1004"w\* w  
 that|strong = "H1004"w\*; they|strong = "H3820" are|strong = "H2450"  
 always|strong = "H3605" [MTY] laughing|strong = "H7814".

5It|strong = "H2896" is|strong = "H2896" better|strong = "H2896"  
 to|strong = "H8085" pay|strong = "H8085" attention|strong = "H8085"  
 to|strong = "H8085" w someone|strong = "H0376"w\* w  
 who|strong = "H2896"w\* w is|strong = "H2896"w\* w  
 wise|strong = "H2450"w\* rebuking|strong = "H1606" you|strong = "H8085"

**t** han|strong = "H2896" to|strong = "H8085" listen|strong = "H8085"  
 to|strong = "H8085" the|strong = "H8085" songs|strong = "H7892"  
 of|strong = "H7892" a|strong = "H8085" foolish|strong = "H3684"  
 person|strong = "H5315".

6By|strong = "H1571" w listening|strong = "H8085"w\* w  
 to|strong = "H3684"w\* foolish|strong = "H3684" people|strong = "H1571"  
 laughing|strong = "H7814"

**w** e|strong = "H3588" will|strong = "H1571" not|strong = "H2088" w  
 learn|strong = "H3925"w\* w any|strong = "H1571"w\* w  
 more|strong = "H3651"w\* w than|strong = "H3588"w\* w  
 by|strong = "H1571"w\* w listening|strong = "H8085"w\* w  
 to|strong = "H3684"w\* the|strong = "H3588" crackling|strong = "H6963"  
 of|strong = "H6963" thorns|strong = "H5518" w being|strong = "H1961"w\* w  
 burned|strong = "H8313"w\* under|strong = "H8478" a|strong = "H3588"  
 pot|strong = "H5518".

**L** istening|strong = "H8085" to|strong = "H3684" fools|strong = "H3684"  
 is|strong = "H2088" senseless|strong = "H1198".

7When|strong = "H3588" wise|strong = "H2450" people|strong = "H3820"  
 say|strong = "H0559" to|strong = "H3820" others|strong = "H0312",  
 "You|strong = "H3588" must|strong = "H4191" pay|strong = "H7999"  
 me|strong = "H6233" a|strong = "H3588" lot|strong = "H1486"  
 of|strong = "H3820" money|strong = "H3701" for|strong = "H3588"

me|strong = "H6233" to|strong = "H3820" protect|strong = "H8104"  
you|strong = "H3588",

t hat|strong = "H3588" causes|strong = "H5414" those|strong = "H2450"  
wise|strong = "H2450" people|strong = "H3820" to|strong = "H3820"  
become|strong = "H1961" foolish|strong = "H1984",

a nd|strong = "H3820" accepting bribes|strong = "H4979"  
causes|strong = "H5414" people|strong = "H3820" to|strong = "H3820"  
become|strong = "H1961" unable|strong = "H3808" to|strong = "H3820"  
do|strong = "H6213" what|strong = "H3588" is|strong = "H3820"  
fair|strong = "H3303"/just|strong = "H3512".

8Finishing|strong = "H3635" something|strong = "H1697"  
is|strong = "H1697" better|strong = "H2896" than|strong = "H2896"  
starting|strong = "H7225" something|strong = "H1697",

a nd|strong = "H1697" being|strong = "H1961" patient|strong = "H0750"  
is|strong = "H1697" better|strong = "H2896" than|strong = "H2896"  
being|strong = "H1961" proud|strong = "H1362".

9Do|strong = "H6213" not|strong = "H3588" quickly|strong = "H4116"  
□lose|strong = "H0622" your|strong = "H3588"  
temper|strong = "H7307"/react to|strong = "H7307" things|strong = "H1697"  
angrily|strong = "H2195"□,

b ecause|strong = "H3588" it|strong = "H3588" is|strong = "H7307"  
foolish|strong = "H3684" people|strong = "H5971" [SYN]  
who|strong = "H3588" become|strong = "H1961" very|strong = "H3966"  
angry|strong = "H3707".

10Do|strong = "H4100" not|strong = "H3808" say|strong = "H0559",  
"Things|strong = "H7223" were|strong = "H1961" a|strong = "H1961"  
lot|strong = "H1486" better|strong = "H2896" [RHQ]  
previously|strong = "H3808",

b ecause|strong = "H3588" it|strong = "H5921" is|strong = "H2088"  
people|strong = "H3808" who|strong = "H2896" are|strong = "H3117"  
not|strong = "H3808" wise|strong = "H2451" who|strong = "H2896"  
say|strong = "H0559" that|strong = "H3588".

11 Being wise is better than valuable w things;

b eing provides lasting benefits for every person on the earth [MTY].

12 We are w sometimes protected by being wise

l ike we are w sometimes protected by having a lot of money,

b ut being wise is better w than having a lot of money,

w because wise prevents us from doing things w that would to die.

13 Think w carefully about what God has done.

C ertainly no one can become straight

t he things that God has caused to be crooked.

14When things are going well for you, be happy,

and when things are not going well for you,

remember that God is the one who causes things to happen

and who also causes disasters.

15During all the time that I have been alive, I have seen a lot of things that seem senseless.

I have seen righteous people die while they are young,

and I have seen wicked people remain alive for a very long time

in spite of their continuing to be wicked.

16w So do not think you are very righteous

and do not think that you are very wise,

because we will think those things, you will destroy yourself.

If you do what is evil or do what is foolish,

you might die while you are still young.

18 Continue to avoid doing what is evil and doing what is foolish;

avoid doing both of those things by continually revering God.

19 If you are wise, you will be more powerful/influential

than the ten most powerful men in your city.

20 There is no one in this world who always does what is right

**a** nd|strong = "H6213" who|strong = "H2896" never|strong = "H3808"  
sins|strong = "H2398".

21Do|strong = "H1697" not|strong = "H3808" pay|strong = "H5414"  
attention|strong = "H3820" [IDM] to|strong = "H1696"  
everything|strong = "H3605" that|strong = "H3605" people|strong = "H3808"  
say|strong = "H1696",

**b** ecause|strong = "H1697" if|strong = "H7043" you|strong = "H5414"  
do|strong = "H1697" that|strong = "H3605", you|strong = "H5414"  
might|strong = "H1369" hear|strong = "H8085" your|strong = "H3605"  
servant|strong = "H5650" cursing|strong = "H7043" you|strong = "H5414".

22You|strong = "H3588" know|strong = "H3045" that|strong = "H3588"  
you|strong = "H3588" have|strong = "H3045" also|strong = "H1571"  
cursed|strong = "H7043" other|strong = "H6471" people|strong = "H1571".

23I|strong = "H7350" said|strong = "H0559" w to|strong = "H4480" w\* w  
myself|strong = "H0589" w\* that|strong = "H3605" I|strong = "H7350"  
would|strong = "H3605" use|strong = "H1931" my|strong = "H3605"  
wisdom|strong = "H2451" to|strong = "H4480" study|strong = "H3854"  
all|strong = "H3605" the|strong = "H3605" things|strong = "H3605" w  
that|strong = "H3605" w\* w I|strong = "H7350" w\* w  
have|strong = "H3605" w\* w written|strong = "H3789" w\* w  
about|strong = "H4480" w\*,

**b** ut|strong = "H1931" I|strong = "H7350" was|strong = "H1931"  
not|strong = "H4480" able|strong = "H3201" to|strong = "H4480"  
do|strong = "H3605" it|strong = "H1931" successfully|strong = "H6743".

24Wisdom|strong = "H2451" seems|strong = "H3190" to|strong = "H1961"  
be|strong = "H1961" far|strong = "H7350" from|strong = "H7350"  
me|strong = "H4672";

**t** here|strong = "H1961" is|strong = "H4310" no|strong = "H4672"  
one|strong = "H1961" [RHQ] who|strong = "H4310" can|strong = "H4310"  
truly|strong = "H3588" understand|strong = "H0995"  
everything|strong = "H3605".

25But|strong = "H3820" I|strong = "H3045" decided|strong = "H3289"  
to|strong = "H3820" investigate|strong = "H3045" things|strong = "H1697"  
and|strong = "H2451"

b y|strong="H2451" my|strong="H3045" wisdom|strong="H2451"  
 try|strong="H0974" to|strong="H3820" understand|strong="H3045"  
 the|strong="H3045" reason|strong="H2808" for|strong="H1245"  
 everything|strong="H3605".

I |strong="H3045" also|strong="H3820" wanted|strong="H1245"  
 to|strong="H3820" understand|strong="H3045" why|strong="H4100"  
 people|strong="H3045" act|strong="H6213" wickedly|strong="H7561"

a nd|strong="H2451" why|strong="H4100" they|strong="H3045"  
 act|strong="H6213" very|strong="H3045" foolishly|strong="H5531".

26w One|strong="H4480" w\* w thing|strong="H2764" w\* w  
 I|strong="H6440" w\* w learned|strong="H3925" w\* w  
 was|strong="H3820" w\* w that|strong="H1931" w\* □ allowing  
 a|strong="H4672" woman|strong="H0802" to|strong="H3820"  
 seduce|strong="H5080" you|strong="H6440"/having|strong="H0369"  
 sex|strong="H7901" with|strong="H6440" a|strong="H4672"  
 woman|strong="H0802" to|strong="H3820" whom|strong="H6440"  
 you|strong="H6440" are|strong="H3027" not|strong="H6440"  
 married|strong="H3947" □ is|strong="H1931" worse|strong="H6440"  
 than|strong="H4480" dying|strong="H0006".

A |strong="H4672" woman|strong="H0802" who|strong="H1931"  
 tries|strong="H0974" to|strong="H3820" seduce|strong="H5080"  
 men|strong="H2896" is|strong="H1931" w as|strong="H6440" w\* w  
 dangerous|strong="H6348" w\* w as|strong="H6440" w\* a|strong="H4672"  
 trap|strong="H4170" [MET|strong="H4672"]].

w If|strong="H1931" w\* w you|strong="H6440" w\* w  
 allow|strong="H5414" w\* w her|strong="H4672" w\* w  
 to|strong="H3820" w\* w put|strong="H3027" w\* her|strong="H4672"  
 arms|strong="H3027" w around|strong="H3027" w\* w  
 you|strong="H6440" w\*, w it|strong="H1931" w\* w  
 will|strong="H3820" w\* w be|strong="H3027" w\* w as|strong="H6440" w\* w  
 w though|strong="H1931" w\* w she|strong="H1931" w\* w  
 will|strong="H3820" w\* w be|strong="H3027" w\* fastening w  
 you|strong="H6440" w\* w with|strong="H6440" w\* w  
 chains|strong="H8333".

W omen|strong="H0802" like|strong="H3820" that|strong="H1931"  
 will|strong="H3820" capture|strong="H3920" sinful|strong="H2398"  
 men|strong="H2896",



**b** ut|strong="H1931" men|strong="H2896" who|strong="H1931"  
 please|strong="H2896" God|strong="H3027" will|strong="H3820"  
 escape|strong="H4422" from|strong="H4480" such|strong="H1931"  
 women|strong="H0802".

27This|strong="H2088" is|strong="H2088" what|strong="H2088"  
 I|strong="H7200" have|strong="H4672" learned|strong="H3925":

**I** |strong="H7200" tried|strong="H6884" to|strong="H7200"  
 learn|strong="H3925" more|strong="H4672" and|strong="H7200"  
 more|strong="H4672" about|strong="H5439" things|strong="H1697"

**t** o|strong="H7200" try|strong="H0974" to|strong="H7200"  
 find|strong="H4672" out|strong="H4672" the|strong="H7200"  
 reason|strong="H2808" for|strong="H2088" everything|strong="H3605",

28and|strong="H5315" I|strong="H5315" continued|strong="H5750"  
 to|strong="H1245" try|strong="H0974" to|strong="H1245"  
 learn|strong="H3925" more|strong="H5750",

**b** ut|strong="H3808" I|strong="H5315" could|strong="H3201"  
 not|strong="H3808" find|strong="H4672" w all|strong="H3605" w\* w  
 that|strong="H3605" w\* w I|strong="H5315" w\* w was|strong="H5315" w\*  
 w searching|strong="H1245" w\* w for|strong="H5315" w\*.

w But|strong="H3808" w\* one|strong="H3605" thing|strong="H5315"  
 that|strong="H3605" I|strong="H5315" found|strong="H4672"  
 out|strong="H4672" was|strong="H5315" that|strong="H3605"  
 among|strong="H4672" 1,000 w people|strong="H5315" w\*  
 I|strong="H5315" found|strong="H4672" one|strong="H3605"  
 righteous|strong="H6662" man|strong="H5315",

**b** ut|strong="H3808" I|strong="H5315" did|strong="H3808"  
 not|strong="H3808" find|strong="H4672" even|strong="H5750"  
 one|strong="H3605" righteous|strong="H6662" woman|strong="H0802".

29w But|strong="H7200" w\* I|strong="H7200" did|strong="H6213"  
 learn|strong="H3925" one|strong="H2088" thing|strong="H2088":

**W** hen|strong="H7200" God|strong="H0430" created|strong="H6213"  
 people|strong="H7200", they|strong="H1992" were|strong="H1992"  
 righteous|strong="H3477",

**b** ut|strong = "H7200" they|strong = "H1992" have|strong = "H4672"  
 found|strong = "H4672" many|strong = "H7227" ways|strong = "H1870"  
 to|strong = "H6213" do|strong = "H6213" many|strong = "H7227"  
 evil|strong = "H6213" things|strong = "H7227".

8w I|strong = "H1697" w\* w will|strong = "H4310" w\* w  
 tell|strong = "H3045" w\* w you|strong = "H6440" w\* w  
 about|strong = "H1697" w\* those|strong = "H2450" who|strong = "H4310"  
 are|strong = "H1697" truly|strong = "H3588" wise|strong = "H2450" [RHQ]

w ith|strong = "H1697" the|strong = "H6440" result|strong = "H6903"  
 that|strong = "H3045" they|strong = "H1697" can|strong = "H4310"  
 explain|strong = "H3045" why|strong = "H1697" everything|strong = "H3605"  
 happens|strong = "H1961".

**B** eing|strong = "H1961" wise|strong = "H2450" enables  
 people|strong = "H3045" to|strong = "H6440" be|strong = "H1697"  
 happy|strong = "H0835" [MTY]

**a** nd|strong = "H2451" enables them|strong = "H6440" to|strong = "H6440"  
 smile|strong = "H0215".  
 Obey|strong = "H3045" the|strong = "H6440" king|strong = "H6440"

2You|strong = "H5921" solemnly|strong = "H7621"  
 promised|strong = "H1696" God|strong = "H0430" that|strong = "H4428"  
 you|strong = "H5921" would|strong = "H4428" obey|strong = "H8104"  
 what|strong = "H6310" the|strong = "H5921" king|strong = "H4428"  
 commands|strong = "H6680", so|strong = "H5921" do|strong = "H8104"  
 that|strong = "H4428". <sup>3</sup> Do|strong = "H6213" not|strong = "H6213"  
 quickly|strong = "H4116" disobey|strong = "H0854" the|strong = "H3605"  
 king|strong = "H6440". And|strong = "H3212" do|strong = "H6213"  
 not|strong = "H6213" join|strong = "H5975" those|strong = "H3605"  
 who|strong = "H3605" want|strong = "H2654" to|strong = "H3212"  
 rebel|strong = "H4775" against|strong = "H6440" him|strong = "H6440",  
 because|strong = "H3588" the|strong = "H3605" king|strong = "H6440"  
 will|strong = "H1697" do|strong = "H6213" what|strong = "H1697"  
 he|strong = "H3588" wants|strong = "H2656" to|strong = "H3212"  
 do|strong = "H6213". <sup>4</sup> We|strong = "H6213" need|strong = "H1697"  
 to|strong = "H6213" obey|strong = "H6213" what|strong = "H4100"  
 the|strong = "H6213" king|strong = "H4428" says|strong = "H1697"  
 more|strong = "H6213" than|strong = "H4428" we|strong = "H6213"  
 need|strong = "H1697" to|strong = "H6213" obey|strong = "H6213"  
 what|strong = "H4100" anyone|strong = "H3605" else|strong = "H5750"  
 says|strong = "H1697"; no|strong = "H6213" one|strong = "H6213"

can|strong = "H4310" say|strong = "H1697" to|strong = "H6213"  
 the|strong = "H6213" king|strong = "H4428", "□Why|strong = "H4100"  
 are|strong = "H4100" you|strong = "H6213" doing|strong = "H6213"  
 that|strong = "H1697"?/You|strong = "H6213" should|strong = "H4100"  
 not|strong = "H6213" be|strong = "H1697" doing|strong = "H6213"  
 that|strong = "H1697".□ [RHQ]"

5If|strong = "H0518" you|strong = "H3045" obey|strong = "H8104"  
 what|strong = "H1697" the|strong = "H8104" king|strong = "H4428"  
 commands|strong = "H4687",

**h** e|strong = "H3808" will|strong = "H3820" not|strong = "H3808"  
 harm|strong = "H7451" you|strong = "H3045".

w So|strong = "H3808" w\* be|strong = "H3808" wise|strong = "H2450",  
 and|strong = "H4941" know|strong = "H3045" the|strong = "H8104"  
 correct|strong = "H3256"/right|strong = "H4941" time|strong = "H6256"  
 to|strong = "H6256" do|strong = "H8104" things|strong = "H1697"  
 and|strong = "H4941" the|strong = "H8104" right|strong = "H4941"  
 way|strong = "H1697" to|strong = "H6256" do|strong = "H8104"  
 them|strong = "H8104".

6Although|strong = "H3588" people|strong = "H5971"  
 experience|strong = "H7200" many|strong = "H7227"  
 troubles|strong = "H7451"/difficulties,

**t** here|strong = "H3426" is|strong = "H3426" a|strong = "H3588"  
 right|strong = "H4941"/correct|strong = "H3256" time|strong = "H6256"  
 to|strong = "H5921" do|strong = "H3426" things|strong = "H3605",  
 and|strong = "H4941" there|strong = "H3426" is|strong = "H3426"  
 a|strong = "H3588" right|strong = "H4941"/correct|strong = "H3256"  
 way|strong = "H4941" w to|strong = "H5921" w\* w do|strong = "H3426" w\* w  
 them|strong = "H5921" w\*.

7No|strong = "H3045" one|strong = "H1961" knows|strong = "H3045"  
 what|strong = "H4100" will|strong = "H4310" happen|strong = "H1961"  
 in|strong = "H1961" the|strong = "H3588" future|strong = "H0319",

**s** o|strong = "H1961" there|strong = "H1961" is|strong = "H4310"  
 no|strong = "H3045" one|strong = "H1961" [RHQ] who|strong = "H4310"  
 can|strong = "H4310" tell|strong = "H5046" us|strong = "H5046"  
 what|strong = "H4100" is|strong = "H4310" going|strong = "H1980"  
 to|strong = "H1961" happen|strong = "H1961".

8We|strong = "H3117" cannot|strong = "H3808" control|strong = "H3027"  
the|strong = "H3117" wind|strong = "H7307",

a nd|strong = "H3117" we|strong = "H3117" cannot|strong = "H3808"  
control|strong = "H3027" when|strong = "H3117" we|strong = "H3117"  
will|strong = "H7307" die|strong = "H4194".

S oldiers|strong = "H4421" are|strong = "H3117" not|strong = "H3808"  
permitted|strong = "H5117" to|strong = "H3117" go|strong = "H1980"  
home|strong = "H1004" during|strong = "H3117" a|strong = "H3117"  
battle|strong = "H4421",

a nd|strong = "H3117" evil|strong = "H7562" people|strong = "H3808"  
will|strong = "H7307" not|strong = "H3808" be|strong = "H3808"  
saved|strong = "H4422" by|strong = "H3117" w doing|strong = "H6213" w\* w  
what|strong = "H4100" w\* w is|strong = "H3117" w\* evil|strong = "H7562".

9I|strong = "H5414" thought|strong = "H3820" about|strong = "H6213"  
all|strong = "H3605" those|strong = "H3605" things|strong = "H3605",  
and|strong = "H7200" I|strong = "H5414" thought|strong = "H3820"  
about|strong = "H6213" all|strong = "H3605" [HYP] the|strong = "H3605"  
other|strong = "H2088" things|strong = "H3605" that|strong = "H7200"  
happen|strong = "H6213" on|strong = "H7200" this|strong = "H2088"  
earth|strong = "H8121". I|strong = "H5414" saw|strong = "H7200"  
that|strong = "H7200" w sometimes|strong = "H6256" w\*  
people|strong = "H7200" cause|strong = "H5414" those|strong = "H3605"  
whom|strong = "H0834" they|strong = "H6256" control|strong = "H7980"  
to|strong = "H6213" suffer|strong = "H5414". <sup>10</sup> I|strong = "H3651"  
also|strong = "H1571" saw|strong = "H7200" that|strong = "H7200" w  
sometimes|strong = "H3426" w\* after|strong = "H7200" evil|strong = "H7563"  
w people|strong = "H1571" w\* die|strong = "H1980", they|strong = "H3651"  
are|strong = "H7563" highly|strong = "H3651" honored|strong = "H3513"  
at|strong = "H6213" their|strong = "H7200" funerals by|strong = "H5892"  
the|strong = "H7200" people|strong = "H1571" in|strong = "H1980"  
the|strong = "H7200" cities|strong = "H5892" where|strong = "H4725"  
they|strong = "H3651" had|strong = "H6213" done|strong = "H6213" w  
evil|strong = "H7563" w\* deeds|strong = "H4611". It|strong = "H6213"  
seemed|strong = "H7200" to|strong = "H1980" be|strong = "H1571"  
difficult|strong = "H6381" to|strong = "H1980" understand|strong = "H7200"  
why|strong = "H3651" that|strong = "H7200" happens|strong = "H6213".

11If|strong = "H3651" evil|strong = "H7451" people|strong = "H1121"  
are|strong = "H1121" not|strong = "H6213" immediately|strong = "H6965"  
punished|strong = "H6485", it|strong = "H5921" causes|strong = "H5414" w

other|strong = "H0312" w\* people|strong = "H1121" [SYN]  
to|strong = "H5921" w also|strong = "H6213" w\* want|strong = "H4270"  
to|strong = "H5921" do|strong = "H6213" evil|strong = "H7451"  
things|strong = "H4639". <sup>12</sup> But|strong = "H3588" even|strong = "H1571"  
if|strong = "H3588" sinful|strong = "H2398" people|strong = "H1571"  
commit|strong = "H6213" 100 crimes|strong = "H7451",  
and|strong = "H3967" w even|strong = "H1571" w\* w if|strong = "H3588" w\*  
w they|strong = "H3588" w\* live|strong = "H3427" for|strong = "H3588"  
a|strong = "H1961" long|strong = "H6440" time|strong = "H6440",  
I|strong = "H3588" know|strong = "H3045" that|strong = "H3588"  
things|strong = "H3372" will|strong = "H1961" go|strong = "H1961"  
better|strong = "H2896" for|strong = "H3588" those|strong = "H6213"  
who|strong = "H2896" greatly|strong = "H3966" respect|strong = "H3045"  
and|strong = "H3967" revere|strong = "H3372" God|strong = "H0430". <sup>13</sup> w  
I|strong = "H3117" w\* w also|strong = "H3117" w\* w  
know|strong = "H3045" w\* that|strong = "H3117" things|strong = "H1961"  
will|strong = "H1961" not|strong = "H3808" go|strong = "H1961"  
well|strong = "H2896" go|strong = "H1961" for|strong = "H6440"  
those|strong = "H1961" who|strong = "H2896" are|strong = "H3117"  
evil|strong = "H7563", because|strong = "H6440" they|strong = "H3117"  
do|strong = "H6213" not|strong = "H3808" revere|strong = "H3372"  
God|strong = "H3808". Shadows|strong = "H6738" w do|strong = "H6213" w\*  
w not|strong = "H3808" w\* w last|strong = "H0314" w\* w  
a|strong = "H1961" w\* w long|strong = "H3117" w\* w  
time|strong = "H3117" w\*. Similarly|strong = "H2088" [SIM],  
evil|strong = "H7563" people|strong = "H3808" will|strong = "H1961"  
not|strong = "H3808" live|strong = "H3117" a|strong = "H1961"  
long|strong = "H3117" time|strong = "H3117".

14 Another|strong = "H2088" thing|strong = "H2088" that|strong = "H2088"  
w sometimes|strong = "H3426" w\* happens|strong = "H6213"  
on|strong = "H5921" this|strong = "H2088" earth|strong = "H0776"  
is|strong = "H3426" that|strong = "H2088" bad|strong = "H7451"  
things|strong = "H4639" happen|strong = "H6213" to|strong = "H6213"  
righteous|strong = "H6662" people|strong = "H1571", and|strong = "H6213"  
good|strong = "H2896" things|strong = "H4639" happen|strong = "H6213"  
to|strong = "H6213" evil|strong = "H7563" people|strong = "H1571".  
It|strong = "H5921" is|strong = "H3426" difficult|strong = "H6381"  
to|strong = "H6213" understand|strong = "H0995" why|strong = "H5921"  
that|strong = "H2088" happens|strong = "H6213". <sup>15</sup> w  
So|strong = "H5414" w\* I|strong = "H3588" decided|strong = "H3289"  
that|strong = "H3588" I|strong = "H3588" would|strong = "H0014"  
recommend|strong = "H7623" that|strong = "H3588" people|strong = "H1931"  
be|strong = "H3117" happy|strong = "H8055" while|strong = "H3117"  
they|strong = "H3588" are|strong = "H3117" alive|strong = "H2416",

because|strong = "H3588" the|strong = "H3588" best|strong = "H2896"  
 thing|strong = "H2416" that|strong = "H3588" people|strong = "H1931"  
 can|strong = "H8354" do|strong = "H6213" here|strong = "H6311"  
 on|strong = "H3117" this|strong = "H1931" earth|strong = "H8121"  
 is|strong = "H1931" to|strong = "H5414" eat|strong = "H0398"  
 and|strong = "H3117" drink|strong = "H8354" and|strong = "H3117"  
 be|strong = "H3117" happy|strong = "H8055". Enjoying  
 doing|strong = "H8354" those|strong = "H1931" things|strong = "H2896"  
 will|strong = "H5414" help|strong = "H5826" people|strong = "H1931"  
 while|strong = "H3117" they|strong = "H3588" do|strong = "H6213"  
 their|strong = "H5414" work|strong = "H5999", all|strong = "H5414"  
 the|strong = "H3588" time|strong = "H3117" that|strong = "H3588"  
 God|strong = "H5414" has|strong = "H3117" given|strong = "H5414"  
 to|strong = "H5414" them|strong = "H5414" to|strong = "H5414"  
 remain|strong = "H3427" alive|strong = "H2416" here|strong = "H6311"  
 on|strong = "H3117" the|strong = "H3588" earth|strong = "H8121".

16|strong = "H3588" thought|strong = "H3820" about|strong = "H5921"  
 being|strong = "H1961" wise|strong = "H2451" and|strong = "H3117"  
 about|strong = "H5921" people|strong = "H1571" who|strong = "H3588"  
 work|strong = "H6213" very|strong = "H6213" hard|strong = "H7186",  
 working|strong = "H6213" day|strong = "H3117" and|strong = "H3117"  
 night|strong = "H3915" and|strong = "H3117" not|strong = "H3045"  
 taking|strong = "H3947" time|strong = "H3117" to|strong = "H5921"  
 sleep|strong = "H8142". <sup>17</sup> Then|strong = "H1571" I|strong = "H3588"  
 thought|strong = "H3045" about|strong = "H6213"  
 everything|strong = "H3605" [HYP] that|strong = "H3588"  
 God|strong = "H3808" has|strong = "H3588" done|strong = "H6213",  
 and|strong = "H7200" I|strong = "H3588" realized|strong = "H3045"  
 that|strong = "H3588" no|strong = "H3808" one|strong = "H3605"  
 can|strong = "H3201" understand|strong = "H3045"  
 everything|strong = "H3605" that|strong = "H3588"  
 happens|strong = "H6213" here|strong = "H4672" on|strong = "H7200"  
 this|strong = "H6213" earth|strong = "H8121". Truly|strong = "H3588",  
 people|strong = "H3808" are|strong = "H2450" not|strong = "H3808"  
 able|strong = "H3201" to|strong = "H3201" fully|strong = "H4390"  
 understand|strong = "H3045" everything|strong = "H3605" w  
 that|strong = "H3588" w\* w God|strong = "H3808" w\* w  
 understands|strong = "H3045" w\*, even|strong = "H1571" if|strong = "H3588"  
 they|strong = "H3588" try|strong = "H0974" hard|strong = "H5998"  
 to|strong = "H3201" do|strong = "H6213" that|strong = "H3588".  
 Even|strong = "H1571" if|strong = "H3588" wise|strong = "H2450"  
 people|strong = "H3808" claim|strong = "H0589" that|strong = "H3588"  
 they|strong = "H3588" understand|strong = "H3045" it|strong = "H3588"  
 all|strong = "H3605", they|strong = "H3588" cannot|strong = "H3808".

## Everyone dies

9I thought about those things, and I concluded that God controls what happens to everyone, even those who are wise and those who are righteous. No one knows whether others will love them or whether they will hate them.

2w But we know some things in future all;

i t matter act wickedly,

w hether good we are bad,

w hether acceptable for w

o r whether we have things cause to unacceptable;

i t|strong = "H2896" does|strong = "H6213" not|strong = "H3372"  
 matter|strong = "H1697" if|strong = "H2398" we|strong = "H3605"  
 offer|strong = "H2076" sacrifices|strong = "H2076" w to|strong = "H7650" w\*  
 w God|strong = "H0430" w\* or|strong = "H2896" if|strong = "H2398"  
 we|strong = "H3605" do|strong = "H3605" not|strong = "H3372";

i t|strong = "H2896" does|strong = "H6213" not|strong = "H3372"  
 matter|strong = "H1697" if|strong = "H2398" we|strong = "H3605"  
 do|strong = "H3605" what|strong = "H2896" we|strong = "H3605"  
 have|strong = "H7563" promised|strong = "H7650" God|strong = "H0430"  
 that|strong = "H3605" we|strong = "H3605" will|strong = "H6662"  
 do|strong = "H3605" or|strong = "H2896" if|strong = "H2398"  
 we|strong = "H3605" do|strong = "H3605" not|strong = "H3372";

w we|strong = "H3605" w\* w all|strong = "H3605" w\* w  
 die|strong = "H4191" w\*.

T he|strong = "H3605" same|strong = "H1931" thing|strong = "H2896"  
 will|strong = "H6662" happen|strong = "H1961" to|strong = "H7650"  
 good|strong = "H2896" people|strong = "H7563" and|strong = "H2896"  
 to|strong = "H7650" sinful|strong = "H2398" people|strong = "H7563",

t o|strong = "H7650" those|strong = "H3605" who|strong = "H3605"  
 solemnly|strong = "H7650" promise|strong = "H7650" w  
 to|strong = "H7650" w\* w do|strong = "H3605" w\* w  
 things|strong = "H3605" w\* w for|strong = "H3605" w\* w  
 God|strong = "H0430" w\* and|strong = "H2896" to|strong = "H7650"  
 those|strong = "H3605" who|strong = "H3605" are|strong = "H7563"  
 afraid|strong = "H3372" to|strong = "H7650" make|strong = "H6213"  
 such|strong = "H3605" promises|strong = "H7650".

3It|strong = "H3588" seems|strong = "H3605" wrong|strong = "H7451"  
 that|strong = "H3588" the|strong = "H3605" same|strong = "H2088"  
 thing|strong = "H2416" happens|strong = "H6213" to|strong = "H4191"  
 everyone|strong = "H3605" on|strong = "H8478" this|strong = "H2088"  
 earth|strong = "H8121": Everyone|strong = "H3605" dies|strong = "H4191"  
 [EUP]. Furthermore|strong = "H1571", people's|strong = "H5971"  
 inner|strong = "H6442" beings|strong = "H2088" are|strong = "H1121"  
 full|strong = "H4390" of|strong = "H1121" evil|strong = "H7451".  
 People|strong = "H1121" do|strong = "H6213" foolish|strong = "H3684"  
 things|strong = "H3605" while|strong = "H3588" they|strong = "H3588"  
 are|strong = "H1121" alive|strong = "H2416", and|strong = "H1121"  
 then|strong = "H2088" they|strong = "H3588" die|strong = "H4191"  
 and|strong = "H1121" join|strong = "H2266" those|strong = "H3605"



who|strong="H3605" are|strong="H1121" already|strong="H3528"  
 dead|strong="H4191". <sup>4</sup> While|strong="H1931" we|strong="H3588"  
 are|strong="H3426" alive|strong="H2416", we|strong="H3588"  
 confidently|strong="H2388" expect|strong="H6960" w  
 that|strong="H3588" w\* w good|strong="H2896" w\* w  
 things|strong="H3605" w\* w will|strong="H4310" w\* w  
 happen|strong="H1961" w\* w to|strong="H4191" w\* w  
 us|strong="H3588" w\*. w We|strong="H3588" w\* w  
 despise|strong="H3988" w\* dogs|strong="H3611", but|strong="H3588"  
 it|strong="H1931" is|strong="H3426" better|strong="H2896"  
 to|strong="H4191" be|strong="H4191" a|strong="H3588"  
 dog|strong="H3611" that|strong="H3588" is|strong="H3426"  
 alive|strong="H2416" than|strong="H4480" to|strong="H4191"  
 be|strong="H4191" a|strong="H3588" w majestic|strong="H0117" w\*  
 lion|strong="H0738" that|strong="H3588" is|strong="H3426"  
 dead|strong="H4191".

5 We|strong="H3588" who|strong="H3588" are|strong="H3045"  
 alive|strong="H2416" know|strong="H3045" that|strong="H3588" w  
 some|strong="H4480" w\* w day|strong="H3117" w\* we|strong="H3588"  
 will|strong="H5750" die|strong="H4191",

**b** ut|strong="H3588" dead|strong="H4191" people|strong="H3045"  
 do|strong="H6213" not|strong="H3045" know|strong="H3045"  
 anything|strong="H3972".

**D** ead|strong="H4191" people|strong="H3045" do|strong="H6213"  
 not|strong="H3045" receive|strong="H2416" any|strong="H5750"  
 more|strong="H5750" rewards|strong="H5023",

**a** nd|strong="H3045" people|strong="H3045" soon|strong="H5750"  
 forget|strong="H7911" them|strong="H3588".

6 w While|strong="H5750" w\* w they|strong="H1992" w\* w  
 were|strong="H1992" w\* w alive|strong="H2416" w\*,  
 they|strong="H1992" loved|strong="H0157" w some|strong="H1992" w\*  
 w people|strong="H1571" w\*, they|strong="H1992"  
 hated|strong="H8135" w some|strong="H1992" w\* w  
 people|strong="H1571" w\*, they|strong="H1992" envied|strong="H7068"  
 w some|strong="H1992" w\* w people|strong="H1571" w\*,

**b** ut|strong="H1571" that|strong="H3605" all|strong="H3605"  
 ends|strong="H7098" when|strong="H6213" they|strong="H1992"  
 die|strong="H4191".

T hey|strong = "H1992" will|strong = "H1571" never|strong = "H5769"  
 again|strong = "H5750" be|strong = "H5750" a|strong = "H6213"  
 part|strong = "H2506" of|strong = "H8478" anything|strong = "H3605"  
 that|strong = "H3605" happens|strong = "H6213" here|strong = "H6311"  
 on|strong = "H8478" the|strong = "H3605" earth|strong = "H8121".

7w So|strong = "H3588" w\* w I|strong = "H3588" w\* w  
 say|strong = "H0559" w\*, be|strong = "H3820" joyful|strong = "H2896" [DOU]  
 while|strong = "H3588" you|strong = "H3588" eat|strong = "H3899"  
 your|strong = "H3588" food|strong = "H3899" and|strong = "H3212"  
 drink|strong = "H8354" your|strong = "H3588" wine|strong = "H3196",  
 because|strong = "H3588" that|strong = "H3588" is|strong = "H3820"  
 what|strong = "H2896" God|strong = "H0430" wants|strong = "H2656"  
 you|strong = "H3588" to|strong = "H3212" do|strong = "H4639". <sup>8</sup>  
 Wear|strong = "H1961" nice|strong = "H2899" [MTY]  
 clothes|strong = "H0899" and|strong = "H7218" make|strong = "H6213"  
 your|strong = "H3605" face|strong = "H6440" look|strong = "H7200"  
 nice|strong = "H2899". <sup>9</sup> Enjoy|strong = "H7200" living|strong = "H2416"  
 with|strong = "H5973" your|strong = "H3605" wife|strong = "H2416"  
 whom|strong = "H3588" you|strong = "H3588" love|strong = "H0157",  
 all|strong = "H3605" during|strong = "H3117" the|strong = "H3605"  
 time|strong = "H3117" that|strong = "H3588" God|strong = "H5414"  
 has|strong = "H3117" given|strong = "H5414" to|strong = "H5414"  
 you|strong = "H3588" to|strong = "H5414" be|strong = "H3117"  
 alive|strong = "H2416" here|strong = "H6311" on|strong = "H3117"  
 this|strong = "H1931" earth|strong = "H8121". And|strong = "H3117"  
 even|strong = "H3588" though|strong = "H3588" it|strong = "H5414"  
 is|strong = "H1931" difficult|strong = "H6381" to|strong = "H5414"  
 understand|strong = "H7200" why|strong = "H3588" many|strong = "H7200"  
 things|strong = "H3605" happen|strong = "H1961", enjoy|strong = "H7200"  
 doing|strong = "H6213" the|strong = "H3605" work|strong = "H5999"  
 that|strong = "H3588" you|strong = "H3588" do|strong = "H3605"  
 here|strong = "H6311" on|strong = "H3117" this|strong = "H1931"  
 earth|strong = "H8121". <sup>10</sup> Whatever|strong = "H3605"  
 you|strong = "H3588" are|strong = "H3027" able|strong = "H3027"  
 to|strong = "H1980" do|strong = "H6213", do|strong = "H6213"  
 it|strong = "H3588" with|strong = "H1980" all|strong = "H3605"  
 your|strong = "H3605" energy|strong = "H4672", because|strong = "H3588" w  
 some|strong = "H8033" w\* w time|strong = "H6256" w\* w  
 you|strong = "H3588" w\* w will|strong = "H3027" w\* w  
 die|strong = "H1980" w\*, and|strong = "H1980" in|strong = "H1980"  
 the|strong = "H3605" place|strong = "H3027" of|strong = "H3027"  
 the|strong = "H3605" dead|strong = "H4191" where|strong = "H8033"  
 you|strong = "H3588" are|strong = "H3027" going|strong = "H1980",  
 no|strong = "H6213" one|strong = "H3605" works|strong = "H4639"

or|strong = "H1847" plans|strong = "H6213" to|strong = "H1980"  
do|strong = "H6213" anything|strong = "H3605" or|strong = "H1847"  
knows|strong = "H3045" anything|strong = "H3605" or|strong = "H1847"  
is|strong = "H3027" wise|strong = "H2451".

11I|strong = "H3588" have|strong = "H3045" seen|strong = "H7200"  
something|strong = "H3899" else|strong = "H3808" here|strong = "H6311"  
on|strong = "H7200" the|strong = "H3605" earth|strong = "H8121":

**T** he|strong = "H3605" person|strong = "H3045" who|strong = "H3605"  
runs|strong = "H7323" fastest does|strong = "H3808" not|strong = "H3808" w  
always|strong = "H3605" w\* win|strong = "H6743" the|strong = "H3605"  
race|strong = "H4793",

**t** he|strong = "H3605" strongest|strong = "H1368" soldiers|strong = "H4421"  
do|strong = "H3605" not|strong = "H3808" w always|strong = "H3605" w\*  
win|strong = "H6743" the|strong = "H3605" battle|strong = "H4421",

**t** he|strong = "H3605" wisest|strong = "H2450" people|strong = "H3808"  
do|strong = "H3605" not|strong = "H3808" w always|strong = "H3605" w\*  
have|strong = "H3045" food|strong = "H3899",

**t** he|strong = "H3605" smartest people|strong = "H3808"  
do|strong = "H3605" not|strong = "H3808" w always|strong = "H3605" w\*  
become|strong = "H7725" rich|strong = "H6239",

**a** nd|strong = "H7725" people|strong = "H3808" who|strong = "H3605"  
have|strong = "H3045" studied|strong = "H1875" a|strong = "H3588"  
lot|strong = "H1486" are|strong = "H1368" not|strong = "H3808" w  
always|strong = "H3605" w\*  
□ honored|strong = "H3513"/treated|strong = "H3190" very|strong = "H3045"  
specially□ by|strong = "H1571" others|strong = "H0312";

**w** e|strong = "H3588" cannot|strong = "H3808" w  
always|strong = "H3605" w\* control|strong = "H3027" what|strong = "H3045"  
things|strong = "H3605" will|strong = "H1571" happen|strong = "H7136"  
to|strong = "H7725" us|strong = "H7725" and|strong = "H7725"  
where|strong = "H8478" they|strong = "H3588" will|strong = "H1571"  
happen|strong = "H7136".

12No|strong = "H3808" one|strong = "H3808" knows|strong = "H3045"  
when|strong = "H3588" he|strong = "H3588" will|strong = "H1571"  
die|strong = "H5307" [EUP];

f ish|strong = "H1709" are|strong = "H1992" cruelly|strong = "H7188"  
 caught|strong = "H3920" in|strong = "H5921" a|strong = "H3588"  
 net|strong = "H4685",

a nd|strong = "H1121" birds|strong = "H6833" are|strong = "H1992"  
 caught|strong = "H3920" in|strong = "H5921"  
 snares|strong = "H6341"/traps|strong = "H6341";

s imilarly|strong = "H2088" [SIM], people|strong = "H1121"  
 experience|strong = "H3045" disasters|strong = "H7451"

a t|strong = "H5921" times|strong = "H6256" when|strong = "H3588"  
 they|strong = "H1992" do|strong = "H6213" not|strong = "H3808"  
 expect|strong = "H6960" them|strong = "H1992" to|strong = "H5921"  
 happen|strong = "H1961".

Being|strong = "H1121" wise|strong = "H2450" is|strong = "H1571"  
 better|strong = "H5921" than|strong = "H3808" being|strong = "H1121"  
 foolish|strong = "H3684"

13Once|strong = "H6471" I|strong = "H7200" saw|strong = "H7200"  
 something|strong = "H1697" that|strong = "H7200" a|strong = "H7200"  
 wise|strong = "H2451" man|strong = "H1419" did|strong = "H7200"  
 that|strong = "H7200" impressed|strong = "H1419" me|strong = "H7200". <sup>14</sup>  
 There|strong = "H8033" was|strong = "H5892" a|strong = "H1129"  
 small|strong = "H6996" town|strong = "H5892", where|strong = "H5921"  
 only|strong = "H0389" a|strong = "H1129" few|strong = "H4592"  
 people|strong = "H5971" lived|strong = "H3427". The|strong = "H5921"  
 army|strong = "H2428" of|strong = "H4428" a|strong = "H1129"  
 great|strong = "H1419" king|strong = "H4428" came|strong = "H4428"  
 to|strong = "H5921" that|strong = "H4428" town|strong = "H5892"  
 and|strong = "H4428" surrounded|strong = "H5437" it|strong = "H5921".  
 They|strong = "H5921" built|strong = "H1129" dirt|strong = "H6083"  
 ramps|strong = "H5550" up|strong = "H1129" against|strong = "H5921"  
 the|strong = "H5921" walls|strong = "H2346" in|strong = "H5921"  
 order|strong = "H4616" to|strong = "H5921" climb|strong = "H5927"  
 up|strong = "H1129" and|strong = "H4428" attack|strong = "H5221"  
 the|strong = "H5921" town|strong = "H5892". <sup>15</sup> In|strong = "H5892"  
 that|strong = "H1931" town|strong = "H5892" there|strong = "H4672"  
 was|strong = "H1931" a|strong = "H4672" man|strong = "H2450"  
 who|strong = "H1931" was|strong = "H1931" poor|strong = "H4542"  
 but|strong = "H3808" very|strong = "H3966" wise|strong = "H2450".  
 Because|strong = "H3588" of|strong = "H5892" doing|strong = "H6213"  
 what|strong = "H2142" that|strong = "H1931" man|strong = "H2450" w  
 suggested|strong = "H5414" w\*, the|strong = "H2142" town|strong = "H5892"

was|strong="H1931" saved|strong="H4422"; but|strong="H3808"  
 people|strong="H3808" w soon|strong="H3512"w\*  
 forgot|strong="H7911" about|strong="H5892" him|strong="H4672". 16  
 So|strong="H1697" I|strong="H1697" realized|strong="H3045"  
 that|strong="H8085" although|strong="H3588" being|strong="H1961"  
 wise|strong="H2451" is|strong="H1697" better|strong="H2896"  
 than|strong="H2896" being|strong="H1961" strong|strong="H1369",  
 if|strong="H0518" you|strong="H1697" are|strong="H1697"  
 poor|strong="H4542", no|strong="H3808" one|strong="H2896"  
 will|strong="H1697" appreciate what|strong="H1697"  
 you|strong="H1697" do|strong="H1697", and|strong="H2451"  
 people|strong="H8085" will|strong="H1697" soon|strong="H3512"  
 forget|strong="H7911" what|strong="H1697" you|strong="H1697"  
 said|strong="H1697".

17Speaking|strong="H1697" quietly|strong="H8252"  
 what|strong="H1697" is|strong="H1697" w very|strong="H3966"w\*  
 wise|strong="H2450" is|strong="H1697" w much|strong="H1697"w\*  
 more|strong="H2450" sensible|strong="H6175"

t han|strong="H2450" a|strong="H8085" king|strong="H4428"  
 shouting|strong="H8643" to|strong="H8085" foolish|strong="H3684"  
 people|strong="H8085".

18Being|strong="H3627" wise|strong="H2451" is|strong="H2896"  
 more|strong="H7235" useful|strong="H5532"

t han|strong="H2896" w a|strong="H2398"w\* w lot|strong="H1486"w\*  
 w of|strong="H3627"w\* weapons|strong="H3627";

b ut|strong="H3588" if|strong="H2398" you|strong="H7235"  
 do|strong="H6213" one|strong="H2896" foolish|strong="H3684"  
 thing|strong="H3627",

w it|strong="H2896"w\* w is|strong="H2896"w\* possible w  
 that|strong="H3627"w\* because|strong="H2398" of|strong="H3627"  
 doing|strong="H6213" that|strong="H3627", you|strong="H7235"  
 will|strong="H2451" ruin|strong="H2723" all|strong="H2398"  
 the|strong="H2398" good|strong="H2896" things|strong="H3627"  
 that|strong="H3627" you|strong="H7235" have|strong="H1961"  
 done|strong="H2398".

10w A|strong = "H4592" w\* w few|strong = "H4592" w\*  
 dead|strong = "H4194" flies|strong = "H2070" in|strong = "H4592" w  
 a|strong = "H4592" w\* w bottle|strong = "H4997" w\* w  
 of|strong = "H4194" w\* perfume|strong = "H7004" cause|strong = "H2600" w  
 all|strong = "H3605" w\* the|strong = "H4194" perfume|strong = "H7004"  
 to|strong = "H3519" stink|strong = "H0887".

S imilarly|strong = "H2088" [SIM], a|strong = "H4592"  
 small|strong = "H4592" amount|strong = "H1697" of|strong = "H4194"  
 acting|strong = "H4603" foolishly|strong = "H5531" can|strong = "H4194"  
 have|strong = "H4592" a|strong = "H4592" greater|strong = "H1419"  
 effect|strong = "H1697" than|strong = "H3368" acting|strong = "H4603"  
 wisely|strong = "H2451".

2If|strong = "H0518" people|strong = "H3820" think|strong = "H3820"  
 sensibly, it|strong = "H3820" will|strong = "H3820" lead|strong = "H5148"  
 them|strong = "H5414" to|strong = "H3820" do|strong = "H6213"  
 what|strong = "H4100" is|strong = "H3820" right|strong = "H3225";

i f|strong = "H0518" they|strong = "H3820" think|strong = "H3820"  
 foolishly|strong = "H5528", it|strong = "H3820" causes|strong = "H5414"  
 them|strong = "H5414" to|strong = "H3820" do|strong = "H6213"  
 what|strong = "H4100" is|strong = "H3820" wrong|strong = "H7451".

3Even|strong = "H1571" while|strong = "H1931" foolish|strong = "H5530"  
 people|strong = "H1931" walk|strong = "H1980" along|strong = "H1980"  
 the|strong = "H3605" road|strong = "H1870",

t hey|strong = "H1931" show|strong = "H7200" that|strong = "H3605"  
 they|strong = "H1931" do|strong = "H1870" not|strong = "H1870"  
 have|strong = "H1571" good|strong = "H2896" sense|strong = "H3820";

t hey|strong = "H1931" show|strong = "H7200" everyone|strong = "H3605"  
 that|strong = "H3605" they|strong = "H1931" are|strong = "H1870"  
 not|strong = "H1870" wise|strong = "H2450".

4Do|strong = "H6213" not|strong = "H3588" quit|strong = "H5355"  
 working|strong = "H4639" for|strong = "H3588" a|strong = "H3588"  
 ruler|strong = "H4910" when|strong = "H3588" he|strong = "H3588"  
 is|strong = "H7307" angry|strong = "H2734" with|strong = "H5921"  
 you|strong = "H3588";

i f|strong = "H3588" you|strong = "H3588" remain|strong = "H3427"  
calm|strong = "H8367", he|strong = "H3588" will|strong = "H7307" probably  
stop|strong = "H2308" being|strong = "H1961" angry|strong = "H2734".

5There|strong = "H3426" is|strong = "H3426" something|strong = "H1697"  
w else|strong = "H5750" w\* that|strong = "H7200" I|strong = "H7200"  
have|strong = "H3426" seen|strong = "H7200" here|strong = "H3426"  
on|strong = "H7200" this|strong = "H7200" earth|strong = "H8121",

s omething|strong = "H1697" that|strong = "H7200"  
rulers|strong = "H7989" sometimes|strong = "H3426" do|strong = "H3318"  
that|strong = "H7200" is|strong = "H3426"  
wrong|strong = "H7451"/inappropriate:

6They|strong = "H5414" appoint|strong = "H5414"  
foolish|strong = "H3684" people|strong = "H3427" to|strong = "H5414"  
have|strong = "H5414" important|strong = "H5704"  
positions|strong = "H7896",

w hile|strong = "H7227" they|strong = "H5414" appoint|strong = "H5414"  
rich|strong = "H6223" w people|strong = "H3427" w\* to|strong = "H5414"  
have|strong = "H5414" unimportant positions|strong = "H7896".

7They|strong = "H5921" allow|strong = "H1980" slaves|strong = "H5650" w  
to|strong = "H1980" w\* w ride|strong = "H7392" w\* on|strong = "H5921"  
horses|strong = "H5483" w like|strong = "H1980" w\* w  
rich|strong = "H6223" w\* w people|strong = "H7200" w\* w  
usually|strong = "H2370" w\* w do|strong = "H6213" w\*,

w but|strong = "H7200" w\* they|strong = "H5921" force|strong = "H2394"  
officials|strong = "H8269" to|strong = "H1980" walk|strong = "H1980" w  
like|strong = "H1980" w\* w slaves|strong = "H5650" w\* w  
usually|strong = "H2370" w\* w do|strong = "H6213" w\*.

8w It|strong = "H2658" w\* w is|strong = "H5307" w\* possible w  
that|strong = "H5307" w\* those|strong = "H1992" who|strong = "H0834"  
dig|strong = "H2658" pits|strong = "H7882"

w ill|strong = "H5307" fall|strong = "H5307" into|strong = "H5307"  
one|strong = "H0259" of|strong = "H5307" those|strong = "H1992"  
pits|strong = "H7882".

w It|strong = "H2658" w\* w is|strong = "H5307" w\* possible w  
that|strong = "H5307" w\* someone|strong = "H5307" who|strong = "H0834"  
tears|strong = "H1832" down|strong = "H5307" a|strong = "H6555"  
wall|strong = "H1447"

w ill|strong = "H5307" be|strong = "H1961" bitten|strong = "H5391"  
by|strong = "H5307" a|strong = "H6555" snake|strong = "H5175" w  
that|strong = "H5307" w\* w is|strong = "H5307" w\* w in|strong = "H5307" w\*  
w that|strong = "H5307" w\* w wall|strong = "H1447" w\*.

9If|strong = "H0518" you|strong = "H6086" work|strong = "H4399"  
in|strong = "H6086" a|strong = "H5265" quarry|strong = "H2672",

w it|strong = "H5414" w\* w is|strong = "H6086" w\* possible w  
that|strong = "H6086" w\* a|strong = "H5265" stone|strong = "H0068" w  
will|strong = "H3068" w\* w fall|strong = "H5307" w\* w  
on|strong = "H6086" w\* w you|strong = "H6086" w\* w  
and|strong = "H6086" w\* injure|strong = "H7463" you|strong = "H6086".

w It|strong = "H5414" w\* w is|strong = "H6086" w\* possible w  
that|strong = "H6086" w\* men|strong = "H0376" who|strong = "H0834"  
split|strong = "H1234" logs|strong = "H6086"

w ill|strong = "H3068" be|strong = "H6086" injured|strong = "H8295"  
by|strong = "H6086" one|strong = "H0259" of|strong = "H6086"  
those|strong = "H1992" logs|strong = "H6086".

10If|strong = "H7043" your|strong = "H6440" axe|strong = "H1270"  
is|strong = "H1931" not|strong = "H3808" sharp|strong = "H2299" [DOU],

y ou|strong = "H6440" will|strong = "H3808" need|strong = "H4270"  
to|strong = "H6440" work|strong = "H4399" harder|strong = "H2389" w  
to|strong = "H6440" w\* w cut|strong = "H3772" w\* w  
down|strong = "H6440" w\* w a|strong = "H6440" w\* w  
tree|strong = "H6086" w\*,

b ut|strong = "H3808" by|strong = "H3808" being|strong = "H1961"  
wise|strong = "H2451", you|strong = "H6440" will|strong = "H3808"  
succeed|strong = "H3787".



11 If a snake bites a man before he charms it,

his ability to charm snakes will not benefit him.

12 Wise people say  
[MTY] what is sensible, and because of that honor them;

but foolish people are destroyed by what they say [MTY].

13 When foolish people start to talk, they say things that are foolish,

and they end by saying things that are wicked and foolish.

14 They talk too much without ceasing.

None of us knows what will happen in the future,

or what will happen after we die.

15 Foolish|strong = "H3684" people|strong = "H3808"  
 become|strong = "H3021" w so|strong = "H3808" w\*  
 exhausted|strong = "H3021" by|strong = "H5892" the|strong = "H3045"  
 work|strong = "H5999" that|strong = "H3045" they|strong = "H3808"  
 do|strong = "H6213"

t hat|strong = "H3045" they|strong = "H3808" are|strong = "H5892"  
 unable|strong = "H3808" to|strong = "H3212" find|strong = "H3045"  
 the|strong = "H3045" road|strong = "H1870" to|strong = "H3212"  
 their|strong = "H3045" town|strong = "H5892"/homes|strong = "H1004".

16 Terrible|strong = "H3372" things|strong = "H1697"  
 will|strong = "H4428" happen|strong = "H1961" to|strong = "H4428"  
 the|strong = "H1242" people|strong = "H5288" of|strong = "H4428"  
 a|strong = "H4428" nation|strong = "H1471" whose|strong = "H0834"  
 ruler|strong = "H8269" is|strong = "H4428" a|strong = "H4428"  
 foolish|strong = "H3684" young|strong = "H5288" man|strong = "H5288",

a nd|strong = "H4428" whose|strong = "H0834" w  
 other|strong = "H0312" w\* leaders|strong = "H8269"  
 continually|strong = "H8548" eat|strong = "H0398", all|strong = "H3605"  
 day|strong = "H1242" long|strong = "H0753", every|strong = "H1242"  
 day|strong = "H1242".

17 w But|strong = "H3808" w\* a|strong = "H3808" nation|strong = "H1471"  
 will|strong = "H4428" prosper|strong = "H6743" if|strong = "H1121"  
 its|strong = "H3808" ruler|strong = "H8269" is|strong = "H4428"  
 from|strong = "H1121" a|strong = "H3808"  
 □ noble|strong = "H5081"/well-educated □ family|strong = "H4940",

a nd|strong = "H1121" if|strong = "H1121" its|strong = "H3808" w  
 other|strong = "H0312" w\* leaders|strong = "H8269" feast|strong = "H2282" w  
 only|strong = "H0389" w\* at|strong = "H4428" the|strong = "H3808"  
 proper|strong = "H2896" times|strong = "H6256",

a nd|strong = "H1121" w if|strong = "H1121" w\* w they|strong = "H3808" w\*  
 w eat|strong = "H0398" w\* w and|strong = "H1121" w\* w  
 drink|strong = "H8354" w\* w only|strong = "H0389" w\* to|strong = "H6256"  
 be|strong = "H3808" strong|strong = "H1369", not|strong = "H3808"  
 to|strong = "H6256" become|strong = "H1961" drunk|strong = "H8354".

18Some men are  
 very lazy w and  
 do  
 repair w the w  
 rafters,

w ith the result  
 that the rafters  
 sag w and w  
 collapse;

a nd if they  
 do not repair  
 the roof,

w ater will leak into  
 the house w when w  
 it rains.

19Eating food and  
 drinking wine causes  
 us to laugh  
 and be happy,

w but we are  
 able to enjoy  
 those things only  
 if we have  
 money w to w  
 buy w them.

20Do not even  
 think about cursing  
 the king,

o r cursing rich w  
 people w, w even w  
 when you are w  
 alone w in your  
 bedroom,

**b** ecause|strong="H3588" w it|strong="H3588" w\* w  
 is|strong="H1571" w\* possible w that|strong="H3588" w\*  
 a|strong="H3588" little|strong="H4592" bird|strong="H5775"  
 will|strong="H4428" hear|strong="H6963" w what|strong="H1697" w\* w  
 you|strong="H3588" w\* w are|strong="H1697" w\* w  
 saying|strong="H1697" w\*,

w and|strong="H4428" w\* tell|strong="H5046" those|strong="H3588"  
 people|strong="H1571" what|strong="H1697" you|strong="H3588"  
 said|strong="H1697" w about|strong="H1697" w\* w  
 them|strong="H5046" w\*.

Advice from nature

11 Give|strong="H5414" generously|strong="H5670" to|strong="H7971"  
 others|strong="H0312" w some|strong="H3117" w\* w  
 of|strong="H3117" w\* the|strong="H6440" money|strong="H3701"  
 [MET|strong="H4672"] that|strong="H3588" you|strong="H3588"  
 have|strong="H4672";

**i** f|strong="H3588" you|strong="H3588" do|strong="H6213"  
 that|strong="H3588", later|strong="H0310" you|strong="H3588"  
 will|strong="H4325" get|strong="H4672" back|strong="H7725"  
 an|strong="H7971" equal|strong="H8505" amount|strong="H7230".

2 Share|strong="H2506" some|strong="H4480" of|strong="H5921"  
 what|strong="H4100" you|strong="H3588" have|strong="H1961"  
 with|strong="H5921" □ seven|strong="H7651" or|strong="H3808"  
 eight|strong="H8083"/several|strong="H2669" □ w  
 others|strong="H0312" w\*,

**b** ecause|strong="H3588" you|strong="H3588" do|strong="H4100"  
 not|strong="H3808" know|strong="H3045" when|strong="H3588"  
 you|strong="H3588" will|strong="H1961" experience|strong="H3045"  
 a|strong="H1961" disaster|strong="H7451",

w and|strong="H3045" w\* w if|strong="H3588" w\* w  
 you|strong="H3588" w\* w give|strong="H5414" w\* w  
 some|strong="H4480" w\* w of|strong="H5921" w\* w  
 what|strong="H4100" w\* w you|strong="H3588" w\* w  
 have|strong="H1961" w\* w to|strong="H1961" w\* w  
 others|strong="H0312" w\*,

w when|strong = "H3588" w\* w you|strong = "H3588" w\* w  
 experience|strong = "H3045" w\* w that|strong = "H3588" w\* w  
 disaster|strong = "H7451" w\*, w they|strong = "H3588" w\* w  
 will|strong = "H1961" w\* w kindly|strong = "H3820" w\* w  
 help|strong = "H1961" w\* w you|strong = "H3588" w\*.

3w It|strong = "H5921" w\* w is|strong = "H4725" w\* w  
 always|strong = "H3605" w\* w true|strong = "H0571" w\* w  
 that|strong = "H5307" w\* when|strong = "H5307" clouds|strong = "H5645"  
 are|strong = "H8033" full|strong = "H4390" of|strong = "H4390"  
 water|strong = "H4390",

t hey|strong = "H8033" pour|strong = "H8210" rain|strong = "H1653"  
 on|strong = "H5921" the|strong = "H5921" earth|strong = "H0776".

w Similarly|strong = "H2088" w\*, wherever|strong = "H4725"  
 a|strong = "H5921" tree|strong = "H6086" falls|strong = "H5307"  
 on|strong = "H5921" the|strong = "H5921" ground|strong = "H4725",

t hat|strong = "H5307" is|strong = "H4725" where|strong = "H8033"  
 it|strong = "H5921" will|strong = "H6828" remain|strong = "H4390".

4If|strong = "H7200" farmers|strong = "H0406" see|strong = "H7200"  
 in|strong = "H3808" what|strong = "H7200" direction|strong = "H3027"  
 the|strong = "H7200" wind|strong = "H7307" is|strong = "H7307"  
 blowing|strong = "H8628",

t hey|strong = "H3808" will|strong = "H7307" know|strong = "H3045"  
 whether|strong = "H7200" it|strong = "H7200" is|strong = "H7307"  
 wise|strong = "H2450" at|strong = "H7200" that|strong = "H7200"  
 time|strong = "H6256" to|strong = "H8104" plant|strong = "H2232"  
 things|strong = "H3808" or|strong = "H3808" not|strong = "H3808".

w It|strong = "H7200" w\* w is|strong = "H7307" w\* w  
 also|strong = "H5645" w\* w true|strong = "H0571" w\* w  
 that|strong = "H7200" w\* if|strong = "H7200" farmers|strong = "H0406"  
 look|strong = "H7200" at|strong = "H7200" the|strong = "H7200"  
 clouds|strong = "H5645" w and|strong = "H7200" w\* w  
 see|strong = "H7200" w\* w that|strong = "H7200" w\* w  
 they|strong = "H3808" w\* w are|strong = "H5645" w\* w  
 blowing|strong = "H8628" w\* w from|strong = "H7307" w\* w  
 the|strong = "H7200" w\* w west|strong = "H3220" w\*, w  
 which|strong = "H7307" w\* w means|strong = "H3027" w\* w

that|strong="H7200"w\* w it|strong="H7200"w\* w  
will|strong="H7307"w\* probably w rain|strong="H4306"w\*,

t hey|strong="H3808" will|strong="H7307" not|strong="H3808" w  
try|strong="H0974"w\* w to|strong="H8104"w\* harvest|strong="H7114"  
their|strong="H7200" crops|strong="H8393" on|strong="H7200"  
that|strong="H7200" day|strong="H3117".

5We|strong="H6213" do|strong="H6213" not|strong="H3808"  
know|strong="H3045" where|strong="H4100" the|strong="H3605"  
wind|strong="H7307" comes|strong="H0935" from|strong="H7307"  
or|strong="H3808" where|strong="H4100" it|strong="H6213"  
goes|strong="H1980",

a nd|strong="H1870" we|strong="H6213" do|strong="H6213"  
not|strong="H3808" know|strong="H3045" how|strong="H4100"  
bodies|strong="H6297" are|strong="H6106" formed|strong="H3335"  
in|strong="H6213" women's|strong="H0802" wombs|strong="H7358".

S imilarly|strong="H2088" [SIM], God|strong="H3808"  
is|strong="H4100" the|strong="H3605" one|strong="H3605"  
who|strong="H3605" made|strong="H6213" everything|strong="H3605",

a nd|strong="H1870" we|strong="H6213" cannot|strong="H3808" w  
fully|strong="H4392"w\* understand|strong="H3045"  
what|strong="H4100" God|strong="H3808" does|strong="H6213".

6w Start|strong="H1870"w\* planting|strong="H2233"  
your|strong="H3045" seeds|strong="H2233" in|strong="H3027"  
the|strong="H3588" morning|strong="H1242",

a nd|strong="H3027" do|strong="H2088" not|strong="H3045"  
stop|strong="H2308" planting|strong="H2233" them|strong="H3027"  
until|strong="H3588" the|strong="H3588" evening|strong="H6153",

b ecause|strong="H3588" you|strong="H3588" do|strong="H2088"  
not|strong="H3045" know|strong="H3045" which|strong="H2088"  
ones|strong="H2896" will|strong="H3027" grow|strong="H6779"  
better|strong="H2896",

- t he|strong="H3588" ones|strong="H2896" you|strong="H3588"  
 plant|strong="H2232" in|strong="H3027" the|strong="H3588"  
 morning|strong="H1242" or|strong="H2896" the|strong="H3588"  
 ones|strong="H2896" you|strong="H3588" plant|strong="H2232"  
 later|strong="H0310" in|strong="H3027" the|strong="H3588"  
 day|strong="H1242",
- o r|strong="H2896" whether|strong="H3045" both|strong="H8147"  
 will|strong="H3027" grow|strong="H6779" well|strong="H2896".  
 Youth|strong="H5271" and|strong="H3027" old|strong="H2896"  
 age|strong="H3117"
- 7It|strong="H7200" is|strong="H2896" very|strong="H2896"  
 delightful|strong="H2896" to|strong="H7200" be|strong="H8121"  
 alive|strong="H7200"
- a nd|strong="H5869" see|strong="H7200" [MTY] the|strong="H7200"  
 sun|strong="H8121" w rise|strong="H6965" w\* w  
 every|strong="H7200" w\* w morning|strong="H1242" w\*.
- 8w Even|strong="H3588" w\* if|strong="H3588" people|strong="H5971"  
 live|strong="H2421" for|strong="H3588" many|strong="H7235"  
 years|strong="H8141",
- t hey|strong="H3588" should|strong="H3588" enjoy|strong="H7200"  
 all|strong="H3605" of|strong="H3117" them|strong="H8055".
- B ut|strong="H3588" they|strong="H3588" should|strong="H3588"  
 not|strong="H1961" forget|strong="H7911" that|strong="H3588" w  
 some|strong="H3117" w\* w day|strong="H3117" w\* w  
 they|strong="H3588" w\* w will|strong="H1961" w\* w  
 die|strong="H4191" w\*
- a nd|strong="H3117" then|strong="H1961" they|strong="H3588"  
 will|strong="H1961" never|strong="H3808" be|strong="H1961"  
 able|strong="H3201" to|strong="H1961" see|strong="H7200"  
 any|strong="H3605" light|strong="H0216" again|strong="H1961",
- a nd|strong="H3117" we|strong="H3588" do|strong="H3605"  
 not|strong="H1961" know|strong="H3045" what|strong="H2142"  
 will|strong="H1961" happen|strong="H1961" to|strong="H1961"  
 us|strong="H3588" after|strong="H1961" we|strong="H3588"  
 die|strong="H4191".

9 You|strong="H3588" young|strong="H3117" people|strong="H5869",  
 be|strong="H3820" happy|strong="H8055" while|strong="H3117"  
 you|strong="H3588" are|strong="H3117" still|strong="H1980"  
 young|strong="H3117".

E njoy|strong="H7200" [IDM] doing|strong="H1870"  
 the|strong="H3605" things|strong="H3605" that|strong="H3588"  
 you|strong="H3588" want|strong="H4270" to|strong="H1980"  
 do|strong="H3190".

B ut|strong="H3588" do|strong="H3190" not|strong="H3045"  
 forget|strong="H7911" that|strong="H3588" w some|strong="H3117" w\*  
 w day|strong="H3117" w\* God|strong="H3190" will|strong="H5869"  
 judge|strong="H4941" you|strong="H3588"

c oncerning|strong="H5921" all|strong="H3605" the|strong="H3605"  
 things|strong="H3605" that|strong="H3588" you|strong="H3588"  
 do|strong="H3190".

10w So|strong="H5493" w\* w when|strong="H3588" w\* w  
 you|strong="H3588" w\* w are|strong="H1320" w\* w  
 young|strong="H5288" w\* [MTY], do|strong="H5493"  
 not|strong="H3588" worry|strong="H2347" about|strong="H5439"  
 anything|strong="H3605",

a nd|strong="H1892" do|strong="H5493" not|strong="H3588"  
 pay|strong="H7999" attention|strong="H3820" to|strong="H3820"  
 the|strong="H3588" pains|strong="H6735" that|strong="H3588"  
 you|strong="H3588" have|strong="H3588" in|strong="H1320"  
 your|strong="H3588" body|strong="H1320",

b ecause|strong="H3588" we|strong="H3588" will|strong="H3820"  
 not|strong="H3588" remain|strong="H3427" young|strong="H5288"  
 and|strong="H1892" strong|strong="H2388" forever|strong="H5769".

12While|strong="H5704" you|strong="H3117" are|strong="H3117"  
 still|strong="H2142" young|strong="H3117", keep|strong="H2142"  
 thinking|strong="H0559" about|strong="H3117" w  
 God|strong="H3808" w\*, who|strong="H3808" created|strong="H1254"  
 you|strong="H3117".



**D** o|strong="H6213" that|strong="H3117" before|strong="H5704" w  
 you|strong="H3117" w\* w are|strong="H3117" w\* w  
 old|strong="H8141" w\* and|strong="H3117" you|strong="H3117"  
 experience|strong="H7200" many|strong="H5704"  
 troubles|strong="H7451",

**d** uring|strong="H3117" the|strong="H3117" years|strong="H8141"  
 when|strong="H3117" you|strong="H3117" say|strong="H0559"

“ I|strong="H3117" no|strong="H3808" w longer|strong="H3808" w\*  
 enjoy|strong="H7200" being|strong="H1961" alive|strong="H2416”.

2w When|strong="H5704" w\* w you|strong="H5704" w\* w  
 become|strong="H7725" w\* w old|strong="H1121" w\*,  
 the|strong="H7725" light|strong="H0216" from|strong="H7725"  
 the|strong="H7725" sun|strong="H8121" and|strong="H7725"  
 moon|strong="H3394" and|strong="H7725" stars|strong="H3556"  
 will|strong="H3808" w seem|strong="H5869" w\* dim|strong="H2821" w  
 to|strong="H5704" w\* w you|strong="H5704" w\*,

**a** nd|strong="H7725" w it|strong="H7725" w\* w will|strong="H3808" w\*  
 w seem|strong="H5869" w\* w that|strong="H5704" w\* w  
 the|strong="H7725" w\* w rain|strong="H1653" w\* clouds|strong="H5645"  
 w always|strong="H3605" w\* return|strong="H7725" w  
 quickly|strong="H4116" w\* after|strong="H5704" it|strong="H7725"  
 rains|strong="H1653”.

3Then|strong="H3588" your|strong="H8104" w  
 arms|strong="H2220" w\* w that|strong="H3588" w\* w  
 you|strong="H3588" w\* w use|strong="H4399" w\* w  
 to|strong="H8104" w\* w protect|strong="H8104" w\*  
 [MET|strong="H6298"] your|strong="H8104" bodies|strong="H6297"  
 will|strong="H1004" shake|strong="H7493"/tremble|strong="H2111”,

**a** nd|strong="H3117" your|strong="H8104" w legs|strong="H3767" w\* w  
 that|strong="H3588" w\* w support|strong="H2388" w\*  
 [MET|strong="H6298"] your|strong="H8104" bodies|strong="H6297"  
 will|strong="H1004" become|strong="H7200" weak|strong="H2470”.

**M** any|strong="H7200" of|strong="H1004" your|strong="H8104" w  
 teeth|strong="H8127" w\* w that|strong="H3588" w\* w  
 you|strong="H3588" w\* w use|strong="H4399" w\* w  
 to|strong="H8104" w\* grind|strong="H2912"/chew|strong="H5927” w

your|strong = "H8104"w\* w food|strong = "H1004"w\* will|strong = "H1004"  
fall|strong = "H5307" out|strong = "H7200",

a nd|strong = "H3117" your|strong = "H8104" w eyes|strong = "H5869"w\*  
w that|strong = "H3588"w\* w you|strong = "H3588"w\* w  
use|strong = "H4399"w\* w to|strong = "H8104"w\* look|strong = "H7200"  
out|strong = "H7200" of|strong = "H1004" windows|strong = "H2474"  
will|strong = "H1004" not|strong = "H3588" see|strong = "H7200"  
clearly|strong = "H3045".

4Your|strong = "H3605" w ears|strong = "H0241"w\*  
[MET|strong = "H6298"] will|strong = "H1323" not|strong = "H6965"  
hear|strong = "H6963" the|strong = "H3605" noise|strong = "H6963"  
in|strong = "H6963" the|strong = "H3605" streets|strong = "H7784",

a nd|strong = "H6965" you|strong = "H3605" will|strong = "H1323"  
not|strong = "H6965" be|strong = "H6963" able|strong = "H3201"  
to|strong = "H6965" hear|strong = "H6963" clearly|strong = "H3045"  
the|strong = "H3605" sound|strong = "H6963" of|strong = "H1323"  
people|strong = "H5971" grinding|strong = "H2913" grain|strong = "H3605"  
with|strong = "H3605" millstones|strong = "H7347".

Y ou|strong = "H3605" will|strong = "H1323" be|strong = "H6963"  
awakened|strong = "H5782" in|strong = "H6963" the|strong = "H3605"  
morning|strong = "H1242" by|strong = "H6965" hearing|strong = "H0241"  
the|strong = "H3605" birds|strong = "H6833"  
singing|strong = "H7892"/chirping|strong = "H6850",

w but|strong = "H3605"w\* you|strong = "H3605" will|strong = "H1323"  
not|strong = "H6965" be|strong = "H6963" able|strong = "H3201"  
to|strong = "H6965" hear|strong = "H6963" well|strong = "H3190"  
the|strong = "H3605" songs|strong = "H7892" that|strong = "H3605"  
□the|strong = "H3605" birds|strong = "H6833"/people|strong = "H5971"□  
sing|strong = "H7817".

5You|strong = "H3588" will|strong = "H1571" be|strong = "H5769"  
afraid|strong = "H3372" to|strong = "H1980" be|strong = "H5769"  
in|strong = "H1980" high|strong = "H1364" places|strong = "H1004"

a nd|strong = "H1980" afraid|strong = "H3372" of|strong = "H1004"  
dangers|strong = "H7451" on|strong = "H1980" the|strong = "H3588"  
roads|strong = "H1870" that|strong = "H3588" you|strong = "H3588"  
walk|strong = "H1980" on|strong = "H1980".

w Your|strong = "H3588" w\* w hair|strong = "H8181" w\*  
 will|strong = "H1571" become|strong = "H3372" w  
 white|strong = "H3836" w\* w like|strong = "H1004" w\*  
 [MET|strong = "H6298"] the|strong = "H3588" flowers|strong = "H6525"  
 of|strong = "H1004" almond|strong = "H8247" trees|strong = "H6086".

w When|strong = "H3588" w\* w you|strong = "H3588" w\* w  
 try|strong = "H0974" w\* w to|strong = "H1980" w\* w  
 walk|strong = "H1980" w\*, you|strong = "H3588" will|strong = "H1571"  
 drag|strong = "H5498" yourself|strong = "H0859" along|strong = "H1980"  
 like|strong = "H1004" [MET|strong = "H6298"]  
 grasshoppers|strong = "H2284",

a nd|strong = "H1980" you|strong = "H3588" will|strong = "H1571"  
 no|strong = "H1980" longer|strong = "H1364" desire|strong = "H8378" w  
 to|strong = "H1980" w\* w have|strong = "H1571" w\* w  
 sex|strong = "H7901" w\*.

T hen|strong = "H1980" you|strong = "H3588" will|strong = "H1571" w  
 die|strong = "H1980" w\* w and|strong = "H1980" w\* go|strong = "H1980"  
 to|strong = "H1980" your|strong = "H3588" eternal|strong = "H5769"  
 home|strong = "H1004",

a nd|strong = "H1980" people|strong = "H1571" who|strong = "H3588"  
 will|strong = "H1571" mourn|strong = "H5594" for|strong = "H3588"  
 you|strong = "H3588" will|strong = "H1571" be|strong = "H5769"  
 in|strong = "H1980" the|strong = "H3588" streets|strong = "H7784".

6w Think|strong = "H2803" w\* w much|strong = "H5921" w\* w  
 about|strong = "H5921" w\* w God|strong = "H3808" w\* w  
 now|strong = "H5921" w\*, w because|strong = "H5921" w\*  
 soon|strong = "H3512" our|strong = "H5921" lives|strong = "H5315"  
 will|strong = "H3808" end|strong = "H7093",

w like|strong = "H3808" w\* [MET|strong = "H6298"]  
 silver|strong = "H3701" chains|strong = "H8333" or|strong = "H3808"  
 golden|strong = "H2091" bowls|strong = "H1543" that|strong = "H5704"  
 break|strong = "H7665" easily|strong = "H4592",

o r|strong = "H3808" like|strong = "H3808"  
 pitchers|strong = "H3537"/jugs|strong = "H5035" that|strong = "H5704"  
 are|strong = "H2256" broken|strong = "H7665" at|strong = "H5921"  
 the|strong = "H5921" water|strong = "H4325" fountain|strong = "H4002",

o r|strong="H3808" like|strong="H3808" broken|strong="H7665"  
pulleys at|strong="H5921" a|strong="H5921" well|strong="H4002".

7Then|strong="H1961" our|strong="H5414" corpses|strong="H6297"  
will|strong="H1961" w decay|strong="H7845" w\* w  
and|strong="H7725" w\* become|strong="H1961" dirt|strong="H6083"  
again|strong="H7725",

a nd|strong="H7725" our|strong="H5414" spirits|strong="H7307"  
will|strong="H1961" return|strong="H7725" to|strong="H7725"  
God|strong="H5414", the|strong="H5921" one|strong="H1961"  
who|strong="H0834" gave|strong="H5414" us|strong="H5414"  
our|strong="H5414" spirits|strong="H7307".

8w So|strong="H3651" w\* I|strong="H3605" say|strong="H0559" w  
again|strong="H7725" w\* that|strong="H3605" it|strong="H3605"  
is|strong="H3605" difficult|strong="H6381" to|strong="H3605"  
understand|strong="H0995" why|strong="H4100"  
everything|strong="H3605" happens|strong="H1961";

e verything|strong="H3605" is|strong="H3605"  
mysterious|strong="H6013".  
The|strong="H3605" conclusion|strong="H5490"

9I|strong="H5971" was|strong="H1961" considered|strong="H1961"  
to|strong="H1961" be|strong="H1961" a|strong="H1961"  
very|strong="H7235" wise|strong="H2450" man|strong="H2450",  
and|strong="H5971" I|strong="H5971" taught|strong="H3925"  
the|strong="H1961" people|strong="H5971" many|strong="H7235"  
things|strong="H1961". I|strong="H5971"  
assembled|strong="H6950"/collected|strong="H6908"  
and|strong="H5971" wrote|strong="H3789" down|strong="H3381"  
many|strong="H7235" proverbs|strong="H4912", and|strong="H5971"  
I|strong="H5971" carefully|strong="H6213" thought|strong="H0559"  
about|strong="H1961" and|strong="H5971" studied|strong="H1875"  
them|strong="H1961". <sup>10</sup> I|strong="H1697" searched|strong="H1245"  
for|strong="H1245" the|strong="H1697" right|strong="H3476"  
words|strong="H1697", and|strong="H1697" what|strong="H1697"  
I|strong="H1697" have|strong="H4672" written|strong="H3789"  
is|strong="H1697" reliable|strong="H0539" and|strong="H1697"  
true|strong="H0571".

11 The things that I and other people say people they do like  
 I strong = "H5414" things strong = "H1697" that strong = "H1697" w  
 I strong = "H5414" w\* w and strong = "H1697" w\* w  
 other strong = "H0312" w\* wise strong = "H2450" people strong = "H5971"  
 say strong = "H1697" w teach strong = "H3925" w\* w  
 people strong = "H5971" w\* w what strong = "H1697" w\* w  
 they strong = "H1697" w\* w should strong = "H2450" w\* w  
 do strong = "H1167" w\*; they strong = "H1697" are strong = "H1697"  
 like strong = "H1697" [SIM]

□ goads that to to they They nails out of us who like shepherd my careful what written carefully read have because proverbs trying them cause become  
 strong = "H1861" /sharp strong = "H2299" sticks strong = "H6086"  
 that strong = "H1697" people strong = "H5971" use strong = "H4399"  
 to strong = "H5414" strike strong = "H5414" animals strong = "H0929"  
 to strong = "H5414" direct strong = "H5414" where strong = "H0834"  
 they strong = "H1697" should strong = "H2450" go strong = "H1980" □.  
 They strong = "H1697" are strong = "H1697" like strong = "H1697" [SIM]  
 nails strong = "H4930" that strong = "H1697" stick strong = "H6086"  
 out strong = "H5414" of strong = "H1697" pieces strong = "H5409"  
 of strong = "H1697" wood strong = "H6086". They strong = "H1697"  
 are strong = "H1697" given strong = "H5414" to strong = "H5414"  
 us strong = "H5414" by strong = "H5414" w God strong = "H5414" w\*, w  
 who strong = "H1167" w\* w is strong = "H1697" w\* w  
 like strong = "H1697" w\* [MET strong = "H6298"] our strong = "H5414"  
 shepherd strong = "H7462". <sup>12</sup> w So strong = "H6213" w\*,  
 my strong = "H6213" son strong = "H1121", pay strong = "H7235"  
 careful strong = "H8104" attention strong = "H7181" to strong = "H6213"  
 what strong = "H6213" I strong = "H1121" have strong = "H1121"  
 written strong = "H3789", and strong = "H1121" choose strong = "H0977"  
 carefully strong = "H6213" what strong = "H6213" you strong = "H6213"  
 read strong = "H5612" that strong = "H1121" others strong = "H1992"  
 have strong = "H1121" written strong = "H3789", w  
 because strong = "H3588" w\* writing strong = "H6213"  
 proverbs strong = "H4912" /books strong = "H5612" is strong = "H1320"  
 endless strong = "H7093", and strong = "H1121" w  
 trying strong = "H1156" w\* w to strong = "H6213" w\* study strong = "H3854"  
 them strong = "H1992" all strong = "H6213" will strong = "H1121"  
 cause strong = "H6213" you strong = "H6213" to strong = "H6213"  
 become strong = "H6213" exhausted strong = "H6296".

13w Now have that have you  
 strong = "H3588" w\* you strong = "H3588"  
 have strong = "H1697" heard strong = "H8085" all strong = "H3605" w  
 that strong = "H3588" w\* w I strong = "H3588" w\* w  
 have strong = "H1697" w\* w told strong = "H1697" w\* w  
 you strong = "H3588" w\*,

a nd the  
 strong = "H8085" here strong = "H2088" is strong = "H2088"  
 the strong = "H3605" conclusion strong = "H5490":

**R** evere|strong = "H3372" God|strong = "H0430", and|strong = "H8085"  
 obey|strong = "H8085" his|strong = "H3605"  
 commandments|strong = "H4687",

**b** ecause|strong = "H3588" those|strong = "H3605"  
 commandments|strong = "H4687" summarize everything|strong = "H3605"  
 that|strong = "H3588" people|strong = "H8085" should|strong = "H3588"  
 do|strong = "H8104".

14And|strong = "H4941" do|strong = "H4639" not|strong = "H3588"  
 forget|strong = "H7911" that|strong = "H3588" God|strong = "H0430"  
 will|strong = "H7451" judge|strong = "H4941" everything|strong = "H3605"  
 that|strong = "H3588" we|strong = "H3588" do|strong = "H4639",

**g** ood|strong = "H2896" things|strong = "H3605" and|strong = "H4941"  
 bad|strong = "H7451" things|strong = "H3605",

w even|strong = "H3588" w\* things|strong = "H3605" that|strong = "H3588"  
 we|strong = "H3588" do|strong = "H4639" secretly|strong = "H5643".