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1The words of the Preacher, the son of David, king in Jerusalem:

2“Vanity of vanities,” says the Preacher; “Vanity of vanities, all is vanity.” 3 What man gains from all his labor in which he labors under the sun? 4 One generation goes, and another comes; but the earth remains forever.
5 The sun rises, and the sun goes down, and hurries to its place where it rises.
6 The wind goes toward the south, and turns around to the north. It turns around continually as it goes, and the wind returns to its courses.
7 All the rivers of the sea run into the sea, yet the sea is not full.
8 To where the rivers flow, there again.

beyond uttering. The eye is satisfied, nor filled with hearing. That which has been which and shall be, and has been done is shall be done; and no new thing under the sun. Is there a thing of it which may be said, “Behold, this is new?” It has ago, in which were before us. There is the former; neither shall any memory of the latter to those that shall come after.”

12I, the Preacher, was king over Israel in Jerusalem. I applied my heart and to seek and to search out concerning all that is done under the sky.

¹ + 1:10 “Behold”, from , “ ” means look at, take notice, observe, see, or gaze at. It is often used as an interjection.

is|strong = "H0834" a|strong = "H5414" heavy burden that|strong = "H0834" God|strong = "H0430"² has|strong = "H0430" given|strong = "H5414" to|strong = "H5921" the|strong = "H3605" sons|strong = "H1121" of|strong = "H1121" men|strong = "H0120" to|strong = "H5921" be|strong = "H1121" afflicted|strong = "H1121" with|strong = "H5921".¹⁴ I|strong = "H2009" have|strong = "H7200" seen|strong = "H7200" all|strong = "H3605" the|strong = "H3605" works|strong = "H4639" that|strong = "H3605" are|strong = "H4639" done|strong = "H6213" under|strong = "H8478" the|strong = "H3605" sun|strong = "H8121"; and|strong = "H7200" behold|strong = "H2009", all|strong = "H3605" is|strong = "H2009" vanity|strong = "H1892" and|strong = "H7200" a|strong = "H7200" chasing|strong = "H7469" after|strong = "H7469" wind|strong = "H7307".¹⁵ That|strong = "H3808" which is|strong = "H3808" crooked|strong = "H5791" can't|strong = "H3808" be|strong = "H3808" made straight; and|strong = "H3808" that|strong = "H3808" which is|strong = "H3808" lacking|strong = "H2642" can't|strong = "H3808" be|strong = "H3808" counted|strong = "H4487".¹⁶ I|strong = "H0589" said|strong = "H0559" to|strong = "H0559" myself|strong = "H0589", "Behold|strong = "H2009", I|strong = "H0589" have|strong = "H1961" obtained for|strong = "H5921" myself|strong = "H0589" great|strong = "H1431" wisdom|strong = "H2451" above|strong = "H5921" all|strong = "H3605" who|strong = "H0834" were|strong = "H0834" before|strong = "H6440" me|strong = "H6440" in|strong = "H5921" Jerusalem|strong = "H3389". Yes|strong = "H2009", my|strong = "H3605" heart|strong = "H3820" has|strong = "H0834" had|strong = "H0834" great|strong = "H1431" experience|strong = "H7200" of|strong = "H6440" wisdom|strong = "H2451" and|strong = "H3389" knowledge|strong = "H1847".¹⁷ I|strong = "H5414" applied|strong = "H5414" my|strong = "H5414" heart|strong = "H3820" to|strong = "H5414" know|strong = "H3045" wisdom|strong = "H2451", and|strong = "H2451" to|strong = "H5414" know|strong = "H3045" madness|strong = "H1947" and|strong = "H2451" folly|strong = "H5531". I|strong = "H5414" perceived|strong = "H3045" that|strong = "H3045" this|strong = "H2088" also|strong = "H1571" was|strong = "H1931" a|strong = "H5414" chasing|strong = "H7475" after|strong = "H7475" wind|strong = "H7307".¹⁸ For|strong = "H3588" in|strong = "H2451" much|strong = "H7230" wisdom|strong = "H2451" is|strong = "H2451" much|strong = "H7230" grief; and|strong = "H2451" he|strong = "H3588" who|strong = "H3588" increases|strong = "H3254" knowledge|strong = "H1847" increases|strong = "H3254" sorrow|strong = "H4341".

2I|strong = "H0589" said|strong = "H0559" in|strong = "H1571" my|strong = "H7200" heart|strong = "H3820", "Come|strong = "H4994"

² + 1:13 The Hebrew word rendered "God" is "Elohim".

now|strong = "H4994", I|strong = "H0589" will|strong = "H1571"
 test|strong = "H5254" you|strong = "H7200" with|strong = "H3820"
 mirth|strong = "H8057"; therefore|strong = "H1571" enjoy|strong = "H7200"
 pleasure|strong = "H8057"; and|strong = "H7200" behold|strong = "H2009",
 this|strong = "H1931" also|strong = "H1571" was|strong = "H1931"
 vanity|strong = "H1892". ² I|strong = "H0559" said|strong = "H0559"
 of|strong = "H0559" laughter|strong = "H7814", "It|strong = "H6213"
 is|strong = "H4100" foolishness;" and|strong = "H8057" of|strong = "H0559"
 mirth|strong = "H8057", "What|strong = "H4100" does|strong = "H6213"
 it|strong = "H6213" accomplish|strong = "H6213"?"

3I|strong = "H0834" searched in|strong = "H3117" my|strong = "H7200"
 heart|strong = "H3820" how|strong = "H0834" to|strong = "H5704" cheer
 my|strong = "H7200" flesh|strong = "H1320" with|strong = "H3117"
 wine|strong = "H3196", my|strong = "H7200" heart|strong = "H3820"
 yet|strong = "H2451" guiding me|strong = "H7200" with|strong = "H3117"
 wisdom|strong = "H2451", and|strong = "H1121" how|strong = "H0834"
 to|strong = "H5704" lay|strong = "H1121" hold|strong = "H0270"
 of|strong = "H1121" folly|strong = "H5531", until|strong = "H5704"
 I|strong = "H0834" might|strong = "H1121" see|strong = "H7200"
 what|strong = "H0834" it|strong = "H5704" was|strong = "H0834"
 good|strong = "H2896" for|strong = "H8478" the|strong = "H0853"
 sons|strong = "H1121" of|strong = "H1121" men|strong = "H0120"
 that|strong = "H0834" they|strong = "H0834" should|strong = "H0120"
 do|strong = "H6213" under|strong = "H8478" heaven|strong = "H8064"
 all|strong = "H5704" the|strong = "H0853" days|strong = "H3117"
 of|strong = "H1121" their|strong = "H7200" lives|strong = "H2416". ⁴ I
 made|strong = "H4639" myself great|strong = "H1431"
 works|strong = "H4639". I built|strong = "H1129" myself
 houses|strong = "H1004". I planted|strong = "H5193" myself
 vineyards|strong = "H3754". ⁵ I made|strong = "H6213" myself
 gardens|strong = "H1593" and|strong = "H6086" parks|strong = "H6508",
 and|strong = "H6086" I planted|strong = "H5193" trees|strong = "H6086"
 in|strong = "H6086" them|strong = "H6213" of|strong = "H3605"
 all|strong = "H3605" kinds|strong = "H3605" of|strong = "H3605"
 fruit|strong = "H6529". ⁶ I|strong = "H6779" made|strong = "H6213" myself
 pools|strong = "H1295" of|strong = "H4325" water|strong = "H4325",
 to|strong = "H4325" water|strong = "H4325" the|strong = "H8248"
 forest|strong = "H3293" where trees|strong = "H6086" were|strong = "H1992"
 grown|strong = "H6779". ⁷ I|strong = "H5650" bought|strong = "H7069"
 male|strong = "H5650" servants|strong = "H5650" and|strong = "H1121"
 female|strong = "H8198" servants|strong = "H5650", and|strong = "H1121"
 had|strong = "H1961" servants|strong = "H5650" born|strong = "H1121"
 in|strong = "H1004" my|strong = "H3605" house|strong = "H1004".
 I|strong = "H5650" also|strong = "H1571" had|strong = "H1961" great

possessions|strong = "H4735" of|strong = "H1121" herds|strong = "H1241"
 and|strong = "H1121" flocks|strong = "H6629", above|strong = "H6440"
 all|strong = "H3605" who|strong = "H3605" were|strong = "H1961"
 before|strong = "H6440" me|strong = "H6440" in|strong = "H1004"
 Jerusalem|strong = "H3389". ⁸ I|strong = "H1571" also|strong = "H1571"
 gathered|strong = "H3664" silver|strong = "H3701" and|strong = "H1121"
 gold|strong = "H2091" for|strong = "H4428" myself|strong = "H1571",
 and|strong = "H1121" the|strong = "H1571" treasure|strong = "H5459"
 of|strong = "H1121" kings|strong = "H4428" and|strong = "H1121"
 of|strong = "H1121" the|strong = "H1571" provinces|strong = "H4082".
 I|strong = "H1571" got myself|strong = "H1571" male|strong = "H1121"
 and|strong = "H1121" female singers|strong = "H7891", and|strong = "H1121"
 the|strong = "H1571" delights of|strong = "H1121" the|strong = "H1571"
 sons|strong = "H1121" of|strong = "H1121" men|strong = "H0120": musical
 instruments of|strong = "H1121" all|strong = "H1571" sorts. ⁹
 So|strong = "H1961" I|strong = "H1961" was|strong = "H1961"
 great|strong = "H1431", and|strong = "H3389" increased|strong = "H3254"
 more|strong = "H3254" than|strong = "H3605" all|strong = "H3605"
 who|strong = "H3605" were|strong = "H1961" before|strong = "H6440"
 me|strong = "H6440" in|strong = "H5975" Jerusalem|strong = "H3389".
 My|strong = "H3605" wisdom|strong = "H2451" also|strong = "H0637"
 remained|strong = "H1961" with|strong = "H3389" me|strong = "H6440". ¹⁰
 Whatever|strong = "H0834" my|strong = "H3605" eyes|strong = "H5869"
 desired|strong = "H7592", I|strong = "H0834" didn't|strong = "H3808"
 keep|strong = "H4513" from|strong = "H1961" them|strong = "H1992".
 I|strong = "H0834" didn't|strong = "H3808" withhold|strong = "H4513"
 my|strong = "H3605" heart|strong = "H3820" from|strong = "H1961"
 any|strong = "H3605" joy|strong = "H8057", for|strong = "H3588"
 my|strong = "H3605" heart|strong = "H3820" rejoiced|strong = "H8055"
 because|strong = "H3588" of|strong = "H5869" all|strong = "H3605"
 my|strong = "H3605" labor|strong = "H5999", and|strong = "H5869"
 this|strong = "H2088" was|strong = "H1961" my|strong = "H3605"
 portion|strong = "H2506" from|strong = "H1961" all|strong = "H3605"
 my|strong = "H3605" labor|strong = "H5999". ¹¹ Then|strong = "H2009"
 I|strong = "H0589" looked|strong = "H6437" at|strong = "H0369"
 all|strong = "H3605" the|strong = "H3605" works|strong = "H4639"
 that|strong = "H3605" my|strong = "H3605" hands|strong = "H3027"
 had|strong = "H0369" worked|strong = "H5998", and|strong = "H3027"
 at|strong = "H0369" the|strong = "H3605" labor|strong = "H5999"
 that|strong = "H3605" I|strong = "H0589" had|strong = "H0369"
 labored|strong = "H5998" to|strong = "H0369" do|strong = "H6213";
 and|strong = "H3027" behold|strong = "H2009", all|strong = "H3605"
 was|strong = "H0369" vanity|strong = "H1892" and|strong = "H3027"
 a|strong = "H0369" chasing|strong = "H7469" after|strong = "H7469"
 wind|strong = "H7307", and|strong = "H3027" there|strong = "H0369"
 was|strong = "H0369" no|strong = "H0369" profit|strong = "H3504"

under|strong = "H8478" the|strong = "H3605" sun|strong = "H8121".

12I|strong = "H0589" turned|strong = "H6437" myself|strong = "H0589"
to|strong = "H0935" consider|strong = "H7200" wisdom|strong = "H2451",
madness|strong = "H1947", and|strong = "H0935" folly|strong = "H5531";
for|strong = "H3588" what|strong = "H4100" can|strong = "H4100"
the|strong = "H0853" king's|strong = "H4428" successor
do|strong = "H6213"? Just|strong = "H0834" that|strong = "H0834"
which|strong = "H0834" has|strong = "H0834" been|strong = "H3528"
done|strong = "H6213" long|strong = "H4100" ago. ¹³

Then|strong = "H7200" I|strong = "H0589" saw|strong = "H7200"
that|strong = "H7200" wisdom|strong = "H2451" excels|strong = "H3504"
folly|strong = "H5531", as|strong = "H0589" far as|strong = "H0589"
light|strong = "H0216" excels|strong = "H3504" darkness|strong = "H2822".

¹⁴ The|strong = "H3605" wise|strong = "H2450" man's|strong = "H2450"
eyes|strong = "H5869" are|strong = "H5869" in|strong = "H1980"
his|strong = "H3605" head|strong = "H7218", and|strong = "H1980"
the|strong = "H3605" fool|strong = "H3684" walks|strong = "H1980"
in|strong = "H1980" darkness|strong = "H2822"—and|strong = "H1980"
yet|strong = "H1571" I|strong = "H0589" perceived|strong = "H3045"
that|strong = "H3045" one|strong = "H0259" event happens|strong = "H7136"
to|strong = "H1980" them|strong = "H0853" all|strong = "H3605". ¹⁵

Then|strong = "H0227" I|strong = "H0589" said|strong = "H0559"
in|strong = "H1696" my|strong = "H1696" heart|strong = "H3820",
"As|strong = "H1571" it|strong = "H1696" happens|strong = "H7136"
to|strong = "H0559" the|strong = "H0559" fool|strong = "H3684",
so|strong = "H1571" will|strong = "H1571" it|strong = "H1696" happen
even|strong = "H1571" to|strong = "H0559" me|strong = "H0589";
and|strong = "H3820" why|strong = "H4100" was|strong = "H3820"
I|strong = "H0589" then|strong = "H0227" more|strong = "H3148"
wise|strong = "H2449"?" Then|strong = "H0227" I|strong = "H0589"
said|strong = "H0559" in|strong = "H1696" my|strong = "H1696"
heart|strong = "H3820" that|strong = "H2088" this|strong = "H2088"
also|strong = "H1571" is|strong = "H2088" vanity|strong = "H1892". ¹⁶

For|strong = "H3588" of|strong = "H3117" the|strong = "H3605"
wise|strong = "H2450" man|strong = "H2450", even|strong = "H3588"
as|strong = "H0935" of|strong = "H3117" the|strong = "H3605"
fool|strong = "H3684", there|strong = "H0369" is|strong = "H0369"
no|strong = "H0369" memory forever|strong = "H5769",
since|strong = "H3588" in|strong = "H0935" the|strong = "H3605"
days|strong = "H3117" to|strong = "H0935" come|strong = "H0935"
all|strong = "H3605" will|strong = "H0369" have|strong = "H0369"
been|strong = "H5769" long|strong = "H3117" forgotten|strong = "H7911".
Indeed|strong = "H3588", the|strong = "H3605" wise|strong = "H2450"
man|strong = "H2450" must|strong = "H4191" die|strong = "H4191"

just|strong = "H3605" like|strong = "H5973" the|strong = "H3605"
fool|strong = "H3684"!

17So|strong = "H6213" I|strong = "H3588" hated|strong = "H8130"
life|strong = "H2416", because|strong = "H3588" the|strong = "H3605"
work|strong = "H4639" that|strong = "H3588" is|strong = "H3605"
worked|strong = "H6213" under|strong = "H8478" the|strong = "H3605"
sun|strong = "H8121" was|strong = "H7307" grievous to|strong = "H5921"
me|strong = "H5921"; for|strong = "H3588" all|strong = "H3605"
is|strong = "H3605" vanity|strong = "H1892" and|strong = "H1892"
a|strong = "H3588" chasing|strong = "H7469" after|strong = "H5921"
wind|strong = "H7307". 18 I|strong = "H0589" hated|strong = "H8130"
all|strong = "H3605" my|strong = "H3605" labor|strong = "H5999"
in|strong = "H1961" which I|strong = "H0589" labored
under|strong = "H8478" the|strong = "H3605" sun|strong = "H8121",
because|strong = "H8478" I|strong = "H0589" must|strong = "H0853"
leave|strong = "H3240" it|strong = "H1961" to|strong = "H1961"
the|strong = "H3605" man|strong = "H0120" who|strong = "H3605"
comes|strong = "H1961" after|strong = "H0310" me|strong = "H8130". 19
Who|strong = "H4310" knows|strong = "H3045" whether|strong = "H0176"
he|strong = "H1571" will|strong = "H4310" be|strong = "H1961"
a|strong = "H1961" wise|strong = "H2450" man|strong = "H2450"
or|strong = "H0176" a|strong = "H1961" fool|strong = "H5530"?
Yet|strong = "H1571" he|strong = "H1571" will|strong = "H4310"
have|strong = "H1961" rule over|strong = "H7980" all|strong = "H3605"
of|strong = "H8478" my|strong = "H3605" labor|strong = "H5999"
in|strong = "H0176" which|strong = "H4310" I|strong = "H3045"
have|strong = "H1961" labored|strong = "H5998", and|strong = "H3045"
in|strong = "H0176" which|strong = "H4310" I|strong = "H3045"
have|strong = "H1961" shown|strong = "H3045" myself|strong = "H3045"
wise|strong = "H2450" under|strong = "H8478" the|strong = "H3605"
sun|strong = "H8121". This|strong = "H2088" also|strong = "H1571"
is|strong = "H2088" vanity|strong = "H1892".

20Therefore I|strong = "H0589" began to|strong = "H5921" cause
my|strong = "H3605" heart|strong = "H3820" to|strong = "H5921"
despair|strong = "H2976" concerning|strong = "H5921" all|strong = "H3605"
the|strong = "H3605" labor|strong = "H5999" in|strong = "H5921"
which|strong = "H5998" I|strong = "H0589" had|strong = "H0853"
labored|strong = "H5998" under|strong = "H8478" the|strong = "H3605"
sun|strong = "H8121". 21 For|strong = "H3588" there|strong = "H3426"
is|strong = "H2088" a|strong = "H3588" man|strong = "H0120"
whose|strong = "H0120" labor|strong = "H5999" is|strong = "H2088"
with|strong = "H1571" wisdom|strong = "H2451", with|strong = "H1571"
knowledge|strong = "H1847", and|strong = "H0120" with|strong = "H1571"

skillfulness; yet **he** shall **leave it** for **his** **portion** to **a** **man** who **has** **not** **labored** for **it**. This **is** **vanity** and **evil**. ²² For **what** **does** **a** **man** **have** of **all** **his** **labor** and **of** **the** **striving** of **his** **heart**, **in** **which** **he** **labors** under **the** **sun**? ²³ For **all** **his** **days** are **sorrows**, and **his** **travail** is **grief**; **yes**, even **in** **the** **night** **his** **heart** takes **no** **rest**. This **also** **is** **vanity**. ²⁴ There **is** **nothing** **better** for **a** **man** than **that** **he** should **eat** and **drink**, and **make** **his** **soul** **enjoy** **good** **in** **his** **labor**. This **also** **I** **saw**, that **it** **is** **from** **the** **hand** of **God**. ²⁵ For **who** **can** **eat**, or **who** **can** **have** **enjoyment**, **more** than **I**? ²⁶ For **to** **the** **man** **who** **pleases** **him**, **God** gives **wisdom**, **knowledge**, and **joy**; but **to** **the** **sinner** **he** gives **travail**, **to** **gather** and

to|strong = "H5414" heap|strong = "H5414" up|strong = "H5414",
 that|strong = "H3588" he|strong = "H3588" may|strong = "H0430"
 give|strong = "H5414" to|strong = "H5414" him|strong = "H5414"
 who|strong = "H0120" pleases God|strong = "H0430". This|strong = "H2088"
 also|strong = "H1571" is|strong = "H2088" vanity|strong = "H1892"
 and|strong = "H0430" a|strong = "H3588" chasing|strong = "H7469"
 after|strong = "H7469" wind|strong = "H7307".

3For|strong = "H8478" everything|strong = "H3605"
 there|strong = "H3605" is|strong = "H3605" a|strong = "H8478"
 season|strong = "H6256", and|strong = "H8064" a|strong = "H8478"
 time|strong = "H6256" for|strong = "H8478" every|strong = "H3605"
 purpose|strong = "H2656" under|strong = "H8478" heaven|strong = "H8064":

2a|strong = "H3205" time|strong = "H6256" to|strong = "H4191"
 be|strong = "H4191" born|strong = "H3205",

a nd|strong = "H4191" a|strong = "H3205" time|strong = "H6256"
 to|strong = "H4191" die|strong = "H4191";

a |strong = "H3205" time|strong = "H6256" to|strong = "H4191"
 plant|strong = "H5193",

a nd|strong = "H4191" a|strong = "H3205" time|strong = "H6256"
 to|strong = "H4191" pluck up that|strong = "H6256" which
 is|strong = "H4191" planted|strong = "H5193";

3a|strong = "H1129" time|strong = "H6256" to|strong = "H6256"
 kill|strong = "H2026",

a nd|strong = "H1129" a|strong = "H1129" time|strong = "H6256"
 to|strong = "H6256" heal|strong = "H7495";

a |strong = "H1129" time|strong = "H6256" to|strong = "H6256"
 break|strong = "H6555" down|strong = "H6555",

a nd|strong = "H1129" a|strong = "H1129" time|strong = "H6256"
 to|strong = "H6256" build|strong = "H1129" up|strong = "H1129";

4a|strong = "H6256" time|strong = "H6256" to|strong = "H6256"
 weep|strong = "H1058",

a nd|strong = "H1058" a|strong = "H6256" time|strong = "H6256"
to|strong = "H6256" laugh|strong = "H7832";

a |strong = "H6256" time|strong = "H6256" to|strong = "H6256"
mourn|strong = "H5594",

a nd|strong = "H1058" a|strong = "H6256" time|strong = "H6256"
to|strong = "H6256" dance|strong = "H7540";

5a|strong = "H7993" time|strong = "H6256" to|strong = "H6256"
cast|strong = "H7993" away|strong = "H7993" stones|strong = "H0068",

a nd|strong = "H0068" a|strong = "H7993" time|strong = "H6256"
to|strong = "H6256" gather|strong = "H3664" stones|strong = "H0068"
together;

a |strong = "H7993" time|strong = "H6256" to|strong = "H6256"
embrace|strong = "H2263",

a nd|strong = "H0068" a|strong = "H7993" time|strong = "H6256"
to|strong = "H6256" refrain from|strong = "H0068"
embracing|strong = "H2263";

6a|strong = "H1245" time|strong = "H6256" to|strong = "H6256"
seek|strong = "H1245",

a nd|strong = "H8104" a|strong = "H1245" time|strong = "H6256"
to|strong = "H6256" lose;

a |strong = "H1245" time|strong = "H6256" to|strong = "H6256"
keep|strong = "H8104",

a nd|strong = "H8104" a|strong = "H1245" time|strong = "H6256"
to|strong = "H6256" cast|strong = "H7993" away|strong = "H7993";

7a|strong = "H1696" time|strong = "H6256" to|strong = "H1696"
tear|strong = "H7167",

a nd|strong = "H1696" a|strong = "H1696" time|strong = "H6256"
to|strong = "H1696" sew|strong = "H8609";

a |strong="H1696" time|strong="H6256" to|strong="H1696"
keep|strong="H2814" silence,

a nd|strong="H1696" a|strong="H1696" time|strong="H6256"
to|strong="H1696" speak|strong="H1696";

8a|strong="H6256" time|strong="H6256" to|strong="H6256"
love|strong="H0157",

a nd|strong="H4421" a|strong="H6256" time|strong="H6256"
to|strong="H6256" hate|strong="H8130";

a |strong="H6256" time|strong="H6256" for|strong="H6256"
war|strong="H4421",

a nd|strong="H4421" a|strong="H6256" time|strong="H6256"
for|strong="H6256" peace|strong="H7965".

9What|strong="H4100" profit|strong="H3504" has|strong="H0834"
he|strong="H0834" who|strong="H0834" works|strong="H6213"
in|strong="H1931" that|strong="H0834" in|strong="H1931"
which|strong="H0834" he|strong="H0834" labors? ¹⁰ I|strong="H0834"
have|strong="H0834" seen|strong="H7200" the|strong="H0853" burden
which|strong="H0834" God|strong="H0430" has|strong="H0430"
given|strong="H5414" to|strong="H5414" the|strong="H0853"
sons|strong="H1121" of|strong="H1121" men|strong="H0120"
to|strong="H5414" be|strong="H1121" afflicted|strong="H1121"
with|strong="H0430". ¹¹ He|strong="H0834" has|strong="H0430"
made|strong="H6213" everything|strong="H3605"
beautiful|strong="H3303" in|strong="H0430" its|strong="H3605"
time|strong="H6256". He|strong="H0834" has|strong="H0430"
also|strong="H1571" set|strong="H5414" eternity|strong="H5769"
in|strong="H0430" their|strong="H3605" hearts|strong="H3820",
yet|strong="H1571" so|strong="H6213" that|strong="H0834"
man|strong="H0120" can't|strong="H3808" find|strong="H4672"
out|strong="H3605" the|strong="H3605" work|strong="H4639"
that|strong="H0834" God|strong="H0430" has|strong="H0430"
done|strong="H6213" from|strong="H5704" the|strong="H3605"
beginning|strong="H7218" even|strong="H1571" to|strong="H5704"
the|strong="H3605" end|strong="H5490". ¹² I|strong="H3588"
know|strong="H3045" that|strong="H3588" there|strong="H0369"
is|strong="H0369" nothing|strong="H0369" better|strong="H2896"
for|strong="H3588" them|strong="H8055" than|strong="H2896"
to|strong="H0369" rejoice|strong="H8055", and|strong="H3045"

to|strong = "H0369" do|strong = "H6213" good|strong = "H2896"
 as|strong = "H3588" long as|strong = "H3588" they|strong = "H3588"
 live|strong = "H2416". ¹³ Also|strong = "H1571" that|strong = "H3605"
 every|strong = "H3605" man|strong = "H0120" should|strong = "H0120"
 eat|strong = "H0398" and|strong = "H0430" drink|strong = "H8354",
 and|strong = "H0430" enjoy|strong = "H7200" good|strong = "H2896"
 in|strong = "H0430" all|strong = "H3605" his|strong = "H3605"
 labor|strong = "H5999", is|strong = "H1931" the|strong = "H3605"
 gift|strong = "H4991" of|strong = "H0430" God|strong = "H0430". ¹⁴
 I|strong = "H0834" know|strong = "H3045" that|strong = "H0834"
 whatever|strong = "H0834" God|strong = "H0430" does|strong = "H6213",
 it|strong = "H1931" shall|strong = "H0834" be|strong = "H1961"
 forever|strong = "H5769". Nothing|strong = "H0369" can|strong = "H0834"
 be|strong = "H1961" added|strong = "H3254" to|strong = "H1961"
 it|strong = "H1931", nor|strong = "H0369" anything|strong = "H3605"
 taken|strong = "H1639" from|strong = "H4480" it|strong = "H1931";
 and|strong = "H0430" God|strong = "H0430" has|strong = "H0430"
 done|strong = "H6213" it|strong = "H1931", that|strong = "H0834"
 men|strong = "H3605" should|strong = "H3588" fear|strong = "H3372"
 before|strong = "H6440" him|strong = "H5921". ¹⁵ That|strong = "H0834"
 which|strong = "H0834" is|strong = "H0834" has|strong = "H0430"
 been|strong = "H1961" long|strong = "H4100" ago, and|strong = "H0430"
 that|strong = "H0834" which|strong = "H0834" is|strong = "H0834"
 to|strong = "H1961" be|strong = "H1961" has|strong = "H0430"
 been|strong = "H1961" long|strong = "H4100" ago. God|strong = "H0430"
 seeks|strong = "H1245" again|strong = "H1961" that|strong = "H0834"
 which|strong = "H0834" is|strong = "H0834" passed|strong = "H1961" away.

16 Moreover|strong = "H5750" I|strong = "H7200" saw|strong = "H7200"
 under|strong = "H8478" the|strong = "H7200" sun|strong = "H8121",
 in|strong = "H5750" the|strong = "H7200" place|strong = "H4725"
 of|strong = "H8478" justice|strong = "H4941", that|strong = "H7200"
 wickedness|strong = "H7562" was|strong = "H4725" there|strong = "H8033";
 and|strong = "H4941" in|strong = "H5750" the|strong = "H7200"
 place|strong = "H4725" of|strong = "H8478" righteousness|strong = "H6664",
 that|strong = "H7200" wickedness|strong = "H7562" was|strong = "H4725"
 there|strong = "H8033". ¹⁷ I|strong = "H0589" said|strong = "H0559"
 in|strong = "H5921" my|strong = "H3605" heart|strong = "H3820",
 "God|strong = "H0430" will|strong = "H0430" judge|strong = "H8199"
 the|strong = "H3605" righteous|strong = "H6662" and|strong = "H0430"
 the|strong = "H3605" wicked|strong = "H7563"; for|strong = "H3588"
 there|strong = "H8033" is|strong = "H0430" a|strong = "H3588"
 time|strong = "H6256" there|strong = "H8033" for|strong = "H3588"
 every|strong = "H3605" purpose|strong = "H3820" and|strong = "H0430"
 for|strong = "H3588" every|strong = "H3605" work|strong = "H4639". ¹⁸

I said in my heart, “As for the sons of men, God tests them, so that they may see that they are like animals.”¹⁹ For that which happens to the sons of men happens to animals. Even one thing happens to them.

As the one dies, so the other dies. Yes, they have all one breath; and man has no advantage over the animals, for all is vanity.²⁰ All go to place. All are from dust, and all turn to dust again.²¹ Who knows the spirit of man, whether it goes upward, and the spirit of animal, whether it goes downward to the earth?

22Therefore I saw that there is nothing better than that a man should rejoice in his works, for that is his portion; for who can bring him to see what

will|strong = "H4310" be|strong = "H1961" after|strong = "H0310"
him|strong = "H0310"?

4Then|strong = "H2009" I|strong = "H0589" returned|strong = "H7725"
and|strong = "H3027" saw|strong = "H7200" all|strong = "H3605"
the|strong = "H3605" oppressions|strong = "H6217" that|strong = "H0834"
are|strong = "H0834" done|strong = "H6213" under|strong = "H8478"
the|strong = "H3605" sun|strong = "H8121": and|strong = "H3027"
behold|strong = "H2009", the|strong = "H3605" tears|strong = "H1832"
of|strong = "H3027" those|strong = "H3605" who|strong = "H0834"
were|strong = "H0834" oppressed|strong = "H6231", and|strong = "H3027"
they|strong = "H0834" had|strong = "H0834" no|strong = "H0369"
comforter|strong = "H5162"; and|strong = "H3027" on|strong = "H7200"
the|strong = "H3605" side|strong = "H3027" of|strong = "H3027"
their|strong = "H3605" oppressors|strong = "H6231" there|strong = "H0369"
was|strong = "H0369" power|strong = "H3027"; but|strong = "H7200"
they|strong = "H0834" had|strong = "H0834" no|strong = "H0369"
comforter|strong = "H5162". ² Therefore|strong = "H0834"
I|strong = "H0589" praised the|strong = "H0853" dead|strong = "H4191"
who|strong = "H0834" have|strong = "H0834" been|strong = "H3528" long
dead|strong = "H4191" more|strong = "H4480" than|strong = "H4480"
the|strong = "H0853" living|strong = "H2416" who|strong = "H0834"
are|strong = "H0834" yet alive|strong = "H2416". ³ Yes|strong = "H7200",
better|strong = "H2896" than|strong = "H3808" them|strong = "H0853"
both|strong = "H8147" is|strong = "H0834" him|strong = "H0853"
who|strong = "H0834" has|strong = "H0834" not|strong = "H3808"
yet|strong = "H3808" been|strong = "H1961", who|strong = "H0834"
has|strong = "H0834" not|strong = "H3808" seen|strong = "H7200"
the|strong = "H0853" evil|strong = "H7451" work|strong = "H4639"
that|strong = "H0834" is|strong = "H0834" done|strong = "H6213"
under|strong = "H8478" the|strong = "H0853" sun|strong = "H8121". ⁴
Then|strong = "H2088" I|strong = "H0589" saw|strong = "H7200"
all|strong = "H3605" the|strong = "H3605" labor|strong = "H5999"
and|strong = "H0376" achievement that|strong = "H3588"
is|strong = "H2088" the|strong = "H3605" envy|strong = "H7068"
of|strong = "H0376" a|strong = "H3588" man's|strong = "H0376"
neighbor|strong = "H7453". This|strong = "H2088" also|strong = "H1571"
is|strong = "H2088" vanity|strong = "H1892" and|strong = "H0376"
a|strong = "H3588" striving|strong = "H7469" after|strong = "H7469"
wind|strong = "H7307".

5The|strong = "H0853" fool|strong = "H3684" folds|strong = "H2263"
his|strong = "H3027" hands|strong = "H3027" together and|strong = "H3027"
ruins himself|strong = "H3027". ⁶ Better|strong = "H2896"
is|strong = "H7307" a|strong = "H7307" handful, with|strong = "H3709"

quietness, than|strong = "H2896" two handfuls|strong = "H2651"
with|strong = "H3709" labor|strong = "H5999" and|strong = "H3709"
chasing|strong = "H7469" after|strong = "H7469" wind|strong = "H7307".

7Then|strong = "H7725" I|strong = "H0589" returned|strong = "H7725"
and|strong = "H7725" saw|strong = "H7200" vanity|strong = "H1892"
under|strong = "H8478" the|strong = "H7200" sun|strong = "H8121". ⁸
There|strong = "H0369" is|strong = "H0369" one|strong = "H0259"
who|strong = "H4310" is|strong = "H0369" alone|strong = "H0259",
and|strong = "H1121" he|strong = "H1931" has|strong = "H4310"
neither|strong = "H3808" son|strong = "H1121" nor|strong = "H3808"
brother|strong = "H0251". There|strong = "H0369" is|strong = "H0369"
no|strong = "H3808" end|strong = "H7093" to|strong = "H0369"
all|strong = "H3605" of|strong = "H1121" his|strong = "H3605"
labor|strong = "H5999", neither|strong = "H3808" are|strong = "H5869"
his|strong = "H3605" eyes|strong = "H5869" satisfied|strong = "H7646"
with|strong = "H7646" wealth|strong = "H6239". "For|strong = "H3605"
whom|strong = "H4310" then|strong = "H2088" do|strong = "H0589"
I|strong = "H0589" labor|strong = "H5999" and|strong = "H1121" deprive
my|strong = "H3605" soul|strong = "H5315" of|strong = "H1121"
enjoyment|strong = "H2896"?" This|strong = "H2088" also|strong = "H1571"
is|strong = "H0369" vanity|strong = "H1892". Yes|strong = "H1571",
it|strong = "H1931" is|strong = "H0369" a|strong = "H2088" miserable
business.

9Two|strong = "H8147" are|strong = "H0834" better|strong = "H2896"
than|strong = "H4480" one|strong = "H0259", because|strong = "H4480"
they|strong = "H1992" have|strong = "H0834" a|strong = "H4480"
good|strong = "H2896" reward|strong = "H7939" for|strong = "H0259"
their|strong = "H1992" labor|strong = "H5999". ¹⁰ For|strong = "H3588"
if|strong = "H0518" they|strong = "H3588" fall|strong = "H5307",
the|strong = "H0853" one|strong = "H0259" will|strong = "H0369"
lift|strong = "H6965" up|strong = "H6965" his|strong = "H0518" fellow;
but|strong = "H3588" woe|strong = "H0337" to|strong = "H0369"
him|strong = "H0853" who|strong = "H0369" is|strong = "H0369"
alone|strong = "H0259" when|strong = "H3588" he|strong = "H3588"
falls|strong = "H5307", and|strong = "H6965" doesn't have|strong = "H0369"
another|strong = "H0259" to|strong = "H0369" lift|strong = "H6965"
him|strong = "H0853" up|strong = "H6965". ¹¹ Again, if|strong = "H0518"
two|strong = "H8147" lie|strong = "H7901" together|strong = "H0259",
then|strong = "H1571" they|strong = "H0518" have|strong = "H1571"
warmth; but|strong = "H0518" how|strong = "H0349" can|strong = "H0518"
one|strong = "H0259" keep|strong = "H2552" warm|strong = "H2552"
alone|strong = "H0259"? ¹² If|strong = "H0518" a|strong = "H0518"
man|strong = "H0259" prevails against|strong = "H5048"

one|strong = "H0259" who|strong = "H0259" is|strong = "H0259"
 alone|strong = "H0259", two|strong = "H8147" shall|strong = "H3808"
 withstand|strong = "H5975" him|strong = "H5975"; and|strong = "H5975"
 a|strong = "H0518" threefold cord|strong = "H2339" is|strong = "H0259"
 not|strong = "H3808" quickly|strong = "H4120" broken|strong = "H5423".

13 Better|strong = "H2896" is|strong = "H0834" a|strong = "H0834"
 poor|strong = "H4542" and|strong = "H4428" wise|strong = "H2450"
 youth|strong = "H3206" than|strong = "H3808" an old|strong = "H2205"
 and|strong = "H4428" foolish|strong = "H3684" king|strong = "H4428"
 who|strong = "H0834" doesn't|strong = "H3808" know|strong = "H3045"
 how|strong = "H0834" to|strong = "H4428" receive admonition
 any|strong = "H5750" more|strong = "H5750". 14 For|strong = "H3588"

out|strong = "H3318" of|strong = "H1004" prison|strong = "H1004"
 he|strong = "H3588" came|strong = "H3318" out|strong = "H3318"
 to|strong = "H3205" be|strong = "H1571" king|strong = "H4427";
 yes|strong = "H3588", even|strong = "H1571" in|strong = "H1004"
 his|strong = "H3588" kingdom|strong = "H4438" he|strong = "H3588"
 was|strong = "H1004" born|strong = "H3205" poor|strong = "H7326". 15

I|strong = "H0834" saw|strong = "H7200" all|strong = "H3605"
 the|strong = "H3605" living|strong = "H2416" who|strong = "H0834"
 walk|strong = "H1980" under|strong = "H8478" the|strong = "H3605"
 sun|strong = "H8121", that|strong = "H0834" they|strong = "H0834"
 were|strong = "H0834" with|strong = "H5973" the|strong = "H3605"
 youth|strong = "H3206", the|strong = "H3605" other|strong = "H8145",
 who|strong = "H0834" succeeded|strong = "H8478" him|strong = "H0853".

16 There|strong = "H0369" was|strong = "H0369" no|strong = "H3808"
 end|strong = "H7093" of|strong = "H7307" all|strong = "H3605"
 the|strong = "H3605" people|strong = "H5971", even|strong = "H1571"
 of|strong = "H7307" all|strong = "H3605" them|strong = "H6440"
 over|strong = "H6440" whom|strong = "H0834" he|strong = "H0834"
 was|strong = "H0369"—yet|strong = "H3588" those|strong = "H3605"
 who|strong = "H0834" come|strong = "H1961" after|strong = "H7093"
 shall|strong = "H3808" not|strong = "H3808" rejoice|strong = "H8055"
 in|strong = "H8055" him|strong = "H6440". Surely|strong = "H3588"
 this|strong = "H2088" also|strong = "H1571" is|strong = "H0369"
 vanity|strong = "H1892" and|strong = "H6440" a|strong = "H1961"
 chasing|strong = "H7475" after|strong = "H7093" wind|strong = "H7307".

5 Guard your|strong = "H5921" steps when|strong = "H3588"
 you|strong = "H0859" go|strong = "H3318" to|strong = "H1961"
 God's|strong = "H0430" house; for|strong = "H3588" to|strong = "H1961"
 draw|strong = "H3318" near|strong = "H6440" to|strong = "H1961" listen
 is|strong = "H0776" better|strong = "H5921" than|strong = "H5921"
 to|strong = "H1961" give|strong = "H1961" the|strong = "H6440" sacrifice

of|strong = "H0776" fools, for|strong = "H3588" they|strong = "H3588" don't|strong = "H0408" know that|strong = "H3588" they|strong = "H3588" do|strong = "H0408" evil. ² Don't be|strong = "H1697" rash with|strong = "H0935" your|strong = "H0935" mouth, and|strong = "H0935" don't let your|strong = "H0935" heart be|strong = "H1697" hasty to|strong = "H0935" utter anything|strong = "H1697" before God; for|strong = "H3588" God is|strong = "H1697" in|strong = "H0935" heaven, and|strong = "H0935" you|strong = "H3588" on|strong = "H0935" earth. Therefore|strong = "H3588" let your|strong = "H0935" words|strong = "H1697" be|strong = "H1697" few. ³ For|strong = "H3588" as|strong = "H0834" a|strong = "H3588" dream comes with|strong = "H0430" a|strong = "H3588" multitude of|strong = "H0430" cares, so|strong = "H0834" a|strong = "H3588" fool's|strong = "H3684" speech with|strong = "H0430" a|strong = "H3588" multitude of|strong = "H0430" words. ⁴ When|strong = "H0834" you|strong = "H0834" vow|strong = "H5087" a|strong = "H0834" vow|strong = "H5087" to|strong = "H0834" God|strong = "H3808", don't|strong = "H3808" defer to|strong = "H0834" pay|strong = "H7999" it|strong = "H3808"; for|strong = "H3808" he|strong = "H0834" has|strong = "H0834" no|strong = "H3808" pleasure in|strong = "H3808" fools. Pay|strong = "H7999" that|strong = "H0834" which|strong = "H0834" you|strong = "H0834" vow|strong = "H5087". ⁵ It|strong = "H5414" is|strong = "H1931" better|strong = "H3027" that|strong = "H3588" you|strong = "H3588" should|strong = "H4100" not|strong = "H0408" vow|strong = "H3027", than|strong = "H5921" that|strong = "H3588" you|strong = "H3588" should|strong = "H4100" vow|strong = "H3027" and|strong = "H0430" not|strong = "H0408" pay|strong = "H5414". ⁶ Don't allow your|strong = "H3588" mouth to|strong = "H0430" lead you|strong = "H3588" into sin. Don't protest before|strong = "H0430" the|strong = "H0853" messenger that|strong = "H3588" this|strong = "H3588" was|strong = "H0430" a|strong = "H3588" mistake. Why|strong = "H3588" should|strong = "H3588" God|strong = "H0430" be|strong = "H1697" angry at|strong = "H0430" your|strong = "H3588" voice, and|strong = "H0430" destroy the|strong = "H0853" work|strong = "H1697" of|strong = "H0430" your|strong = "H3588" hands? ⁷ For|strong = "H3588" in|strong = "H5921" the|strong = "H5921" multitude of|strong = "H5921" dreams there are|strong = "H4941" vanities, as|strong = "H3588" well as|strong = "H3588" in|strong = "H5921" many words; but|strong = "H3588" you|strong = "H3588" must|strong = "H0518" fear God.

8If|strong = "H1931" you|strong = "H3605" see the|strong = "H3605" oppression of|strong = "H4428" the|strong = "H3605" poor, and|strong = "H0776" the|strong = "H3605" violent taking away|strong = "H3605" of|strong = "H4428" justice and|strong = "H0776" righteousness in|strong = "H0776" a|strong = "H0776" district, don't marvel

at|strong = "H4428" the|strong = "H3605" matter, for|strong = "H0776" one|strong = "H3605" official is|strong = "H1931" eyed by|strong = "H3605" a|strong = "H0776" higher one|strong = "H3605", and|strong = "H0776" there|strong = "H3605" are|strong = "H0776" officials over|strong = "H4428" them|strong = "H5647". ⁹ Moreover|strong = "H1571" the|strong = "H1571" profit of|strong = "H1995" the|strong = "H1571" earth is|strong = "H2088" for|strong = "H3808" all|strong = "H1571". The|strong = "H1571" king profits from|strong = "H1571" the|strong = "H1571" field.

10He|strong = "H3588" who|strong = "H4100" loves silver shall|strong = "H4100" not|strong = "H0518" be|strong = "H3588" satisfied with|strong = "H0398" silver, nor|strong = "H0518" he|strong = "H3588" who|strong = "H4100" loves abundance|strong = "H7235", with|strong = "H0398" increase|strong = "H7235". This|strong = "H3588" also|strong = "H3588" is|strong = "H4100" vanity. ¹¹ When|strong = "H0518" goods increase|strong = "H7235", those|strong = "H0398" who|strong = "H0369" eat|strong = "H0398" them|strong = "H0398" are|strong = "H0369" increased|strong = "H7235"; and|strong = "H0398" what advantage is|strong = "H0369" there|strong = "H0369" to|strong = "H0369" its|strong = "H0398" owner, except|strong = "H0518" to|strong = "H0369" feast|strong = "H0398" on|strong = "H0369" them|strong = "H0398" with|strong = "H0398" his|strong = "H0518" eyes?

12The|strong = "H7200" sleep of|strong = "H8478" a|strong = "H7200" laboring man|strong = "H1167" is|strong = "H3426" sweet, whether|strong = "H7200" he|strong = "H3426" eats little or|strong = "H7200" much; but|strong = "H7200" the|strong = "H7200" abundance of|strong = "H8478" the|strong = "H7200" rich|strong = "H6239" will|strong = "H8121" not allow him|strong = "H7200" to|strong = "H8104" sleep.

13There|strong = "H0369" is|strong = "H0369" a|strong = "H3205" grievous evil|strong = "H7451" which|strong = "H1931" I|strong = "H1121" have|strong = "H0369" seen under|strong = "H3027" the|strong = "H3205" sun: wealth|strong = "H6239" kept by|strong = "H3027" its|strong = "H0369" owner to|strong = "H0369" his|strong = "H3027" harm|strong = "H7451". ¹⁴ Those|strong = "H0834" riches perish by|strong = "H3027" misfortune, and|strong = "H0935" if|strong = "H0834" he|strong = "H0834" has|strong = "H0834" fathered a|strong = "H5375" son, there|strong = "H0834" is|strong = "H0834" nothing|strong = "H3808" in|strong = "H0935" his|strong = "H5375" hand|strong = "H3027". ¹⁵ As|strong = "H0935" he|strong = "H3651" came|strong = "H0935" out|strong = "H4100" of|strong = "H7307" his|strong = "H3605" mother's womb, naked shall|strong = "H1571" he|strong = "H3651"

go|strong = "H0935" again as|strong = "H0935" he|strong = "H3651" came|strong = "H0935", and|strong = "H0935" shall|strong = "H1571" take|strong = "H0935" nothing|strong = "H3605" for|strong = "H3605" his|strong = "H3605" labor|strong = "H5998", which|strong = "H7307" he|strong = "H3651" may|strong = "H1571" carry|strong = "H0935" away|strong = "H3605" in|strong = "H0935" his|strong = "H3605" hand. ¹⁶
 This|strong = "H3117" also|strong = "H1571" is|strong = "H1571" a|strong = "H1571" grievous evil, that|strong = "H3605" in|strong = "H3117" all|strong = "H3605" points as|strong = "H1571" he|strong = "H3117" came, so|strong = "H1571" shall|strong = "H3117" he|strong = "H3117" go. And|strong = "H0398" what|strong = "H1571" profit does|strong = "H1571" he|strong = "H3117" have|strong = "H1571" who|strong = "H3605" labors for|strong = "H3605" the|strong = "H3605" wind? ¹⁷ All|strong = "H3605" his|strong = "H3605" days|strong = "H3117" he|strong = "H0834" also|strong = "H0430" eats|strong = "H0398" in|strong = "H0430" darkness, he|strong = "H0834" is|strong = "H0834" frustrated, and|strong = "H0430" has|strong = "H0430" sickness and|strong = "H0430" wrath.

18Behold, that|strong = "H0834" which|strong = "H0834" I|strong = "H0834" have|strong = "H0834" seen to|strong = "H5414" be|strong = "H1571" good and|strong = "H0430" proper is|strong = "H0834" for|strong = "H3605" one|strong = "H3605" to|strong = "H5414" eat|strong = "H0398" and|strong = "H0430" to|strong = "H5414" drink, and|strong = "H0430" to|strong = "H5414" enjoy good in|strong = "H0430" all|strong = "H3605" his|strong = "H3605" labor|strong = "H5999", in|strong = "H0430" which|strong = "H0834" he|strong = "H0834" labors under|strong = "H4480" the|strong = "H3605" sun, all|strong = "H3605" the|strong = "H3605" days of|strong = "H0430" his|strong = "H3605" life which|strong = "H0834" God|strong = "H0430" has|strong = "H0430" given|strong = "H5414" him|strong = "H5414"; for|strong = "H3605" this|strong = "H1931" is|strong = "H0834" his|strong = "H3605" portion|strong = "H2506". ¹⁹ Every|strong = "H3117" man also|strong = "H0853" to|strong = "H3117" whom God|strong = "H0430" has|strong = "H0430" given riches and|strong = "H0430" wealth|strong = "H3808", and|strong = "H0430" has|strong = "H0430" given him|strong = "H0853" power to|strong = "H3117" eat of|strong = "H0430" it|strong = "H3588", and|strong = "H0430" to|strong = "H3117" take|strong = "H2142" his|strong = "H3588" portion, and|strong = "H0430" to|strong = "H3117" rejoice|strong = "H8057" in|strong = "H0430" his|strong = "H3588" labor—this|strong = "H3588" is|strong = "H0430" the|strong = "H0853" gift of|strong = "H0430" God|strong = "H0430". ²⁰ For he shall not often reflect on the days of his life, because God occupies him with the joy of his heart.

6There is an evil which I have seen under the sun, and it is heavy on men: ² a man to whom God gives riches and honor, so that he lacks nothing for his soul of all that he desires, yet God gives him no power to eat of it, but alien eats it. This is vanity, and it is evil. ³ disease.

3If a father has a hundred children, many years, so that of his years are his soul, not good, and he has a burial, I say that child is better than he; ⁴ for it comes in vanity, and it departs in darkness, and its name is covered with darkness. ⁵ Moreover, it has not seen the sun nor known

it|strong="H3045". This|strong="H2088" has|strong="H1571" rest
 rather|strong="H3808" than|strong="H3808" the|strong="H7200"
 other|strong="H2088". ⁶ Yes|strong="H7200", though
 he|strong="H3808" live|strong="H2421" a|strong="H7200"
 thousand|strong="H0505" years|strong="H8141" twice|strong="H6471"
 told|strong="H0413", and|strong="H1980" yet|strong="H3808" fails
 to|strong="H0413" enjoy|strong="H7200" good|strong="H2896",
 don't|strong="H3808" all|strong="H3605" go|strong="H1980"
 to|strong="H0413" one|strong="H0259" place|strong="H4725"? ⁷
 All|strong="H3605" the|strong="H3605" labor|strong="H5999"
 of|strong="H6310" man|strong="H0120" is|strong="H1571"
 for|strong="H3605" his|strong="H3605" mouth|strong="H6310",
 and|strong="H0120" yet|strong="H1571" the|strong="H3605"
 appetite|strong="H5315" is|strong="H1571" not|strong="H3808"
 filled|strong="H4390". ⁸ For|strong="H3588" what|strong="H4100"
 advantage|strong="H3148" has|strong="H4100" the|strong="H3588"
 wise|strong="H2450" more|strong="H4480" than|strong="H4480"
 the|strong="H3588" fool|strong="H3684"? What|strong="H4100"
 has|strong="H4100" the|strong="H3588" poor|strong="H6041"
 man|strong="H2450", that|strong="H3588" knows|strong="H3045"
 how|strong="H4100" to|strong="H1980" walk|strong="H1980"
 before|strong="H5048" the|strong="H3588" living|strong="H2416"? ⁹
 Better|strong="H2896" is|strong="H2088" the|strong="H1571"
 sight|strong="H5869" of|strong="H5869" the|strong="H1571"
 eyes|strong="H5869" than|strong="H2896" the|strong="H1571"
 wandering of|strong="H5869" the|strong="H1571"
 desire|strong="H5315". This|strong="H2088" also|strong="H1571"
 is|strong="H2088" vanity|strong="H1892" and|strong="H1980"
 a|strong="H2088" chasing|strong="H7469" after|strong="H7469"
 wind|strong="H7307". ¹⁰ Whatever|strong="H0834"
 has|strong="H0834" been|strong="H1961", its|strong="H3045"
 name|strong="H8034" was|strong="H8034" given|strong="H7121"
 long|strong="H4100" ago; and|strong="H0120" it|strong="H1931"
 is|strong="H0834" known|strong="H3045" what|strong="H4100"
 man|strong="H0120" is|strong="H0834"; neither|strong="H3808"
 can|strong="H3201" he|strong="H0834" contend with|strong="H5973"
 him|strong="H5973" who|strong="H0834" is|strong="H0834" mightier
 than|strong="H4480" he|strong="H0834". ¹¹ For|strong="H3588"
 there|strong="H3426" are|strong="H4100" many|strong="H7235"
 words|strong="H1697" that|strong="H3588" create
 vanity|strong="H1892". What|strong="H4100" does|strong="H4100"
 that|strong="H3588" profit man|strong="H0120"? ¹²
 For|strong="H3588" who|strong="H0834" knows|strong="H3045"
 what|strong="H4100" is|strong="H0834" good|strong="H2896"
 for|strong="H3588" man|strong="H0120" in|strong="H3117"
 life|strong="H3117", all|strong="H3117" the|strong="H0834"

days|strong = "H3117" of|strong = "H3117" his|strong = "H1961"
 vain|strong = "H1892" life|strong = "H3117" which|strong = "H0834"
 he|strong = "H0834" spends like|strong = "H1961" a|strong = "H1961"
 shadow|strong = "H6738"? For|strong = "H3588" who|strong = "H0834"
 can|strong = "H4310" tell|strong = "H5046" a|strong = "H1961"
 man|strong = "H0120" what|strong = "H4100" will|strong = "H4310"
 be|strong = "H1961" after|strong = "H0310" him|strong = "H0310"
 under|strong = "H8478" the|strong = "H0834" sun|strong = "H8121"?"

7A|strong = "H3205" good|strong = "H2896" name|strong = "H8034"
 is|strong = "H8034" better|strong = "H2896" than|strong = "H2896" fine
 perfume; and|strong = "H3117" the|strong = "H3205" day|strong = "H3117"
 of|strong = "H3117" death|strong = "H4194" better|strong = "H2896"
 than|strong = "H2896" the|strong = "H3205" day|strong = "H3117"
 of|strong = "H3117" one's birth|strong = "H3205". ² It|strong = "H5414"
 is|strong = "H0834" better|strong = "H2896" to|strong = "H0413" go
 to|strong = "H0413" the|strong = "H3605" house|strong = "H1004"
 of|strong = "H1004" mourning|strong = "H0060" than|strong = "H2896"
 to|strong = "H0413" go to|strong = "H0413" the|strong = "H3605"
 house|strong = "H1004" of|strong = "H1004" feasting|strong = "H4960";
 for|strong = "H0413" that|strong = "H0834" is|strong = "H0834"
 the|strong = "H3605" end|strong = "H5490" of|strong = "H1004"
 all|strong = "H3605" men|strong = "H0120", and|strong = "H1004"
 the|strong = "H3605" living|strong = "H2416" should|strong = "H0120"
 take|strong = "H5414" this|strong = "H1931" to|strong = "H0413"
 heart|strong = "H3820". ³ Sorrow|strong = "H2896" is|strong = "H3820"
 better|strong = "H2896" than|strong = "H2896" laughter|strong = "H7814";
 for|strong = "H3588" by|strong = "H6440" the|strong = "H6440"
 sadness|strong = "H7455" of|strong = "H6440" the|strong = "H6440"
 face|strong = "H6440" the|strong = "H6440" heart|strong = "H3820"
 is|strong = "H3820" made|strong = "H3190" good|strong = "H2896". ⁴
 The|strong = "H1004" heart|strong = "H3820" of|strong = "H1004"
 the|strong = "H1004" wise|strong = "H2450" is|strong = "H3820"
 in|strong = "H1004" the|strong = "H1004" house|strong = "H1004"
 of|strong = "H1004" mourning|strong = "H0060"; but|strong = "H3820"
 the|strong = "H1004" heart|strong = "H3820" of|strong = "H1004"
 fools|strong = "H3684" is|strong = "H3820" in|strong = "H1004"
 the|strong = "H1004" house|strong = "H1004" of|strong = "H1004"
 mirth|strong = "H8057". ⁵ It|strong = "H2896" is|strong = "H0376"
 better|strong = "H2896" to|strong = "H8085" hear|strong = "H8085"
 the|strong = "H8085" rebuke|strong = "H1606" of|strong = "H0376"
 the|strong = "H8085" wise|strong = "H2450" than|strong = "H2896"
 for|strong = "H0376" a|strong = "H8085" man|strong = "H0376"
 to|strong = "H8085" hear|strong = "H8085" the|strong = "H8085"
 song|strong = "H7892" of|strong = "H0376" fools|strong = "H3684". ⁶

For|strong = "H3588" as|strong = "H3651" the|strong = "H3588"
 crackling|strong = "H6963" of|strong = "H6963" thorns
 under|strong = "H8478" a|strong = "H3588" pot|strong = "H5518",
 so|strong = "H3651" is|strong = "H2088" the|strong = "H3588"
 laughter|strong = "H7814" of|strong = "H6963" the|strong = "H3588"
 fool|strong = "H3684". This|strong = "H2088" also|strong = "H1571"
 is|strong = "H2088" vanity|strong = "H1892". ⁷ Surely|strong = "H3588"
 extortion|strong = "H6233" makes|strong = "H0006" the|strong = "H0853"
 wise|strong = "H2450" man|strong = "H2450" foolish; and|strong = "H3820"
 a|strong = "H3588" bribe|strong = "H4979" destroys|strong = "H0006"
 the|strong = "H0853" understanding|strong = "H3820". ⁸
 Better|strong = "H2896" is|strong = "H1697" the|strong = "H1697"
 end|strong = "H0319" of|strong = "H1697" a|strong = "H7307"
 thing|strong = "H1697" than|strong = "H2896" its
 beginning|strong = "H7225".

T he|strong = "H1697" patient|strong = "H0750" in|strong = "H1697"
 spirit|strong = "H7307" is|strong = "H1697" better|strong = "H2896"
 than|strong = "H2896" the|strong = "H1697" proud in|strong = "H1697"
 spirit|strong = "H7307". ⁹ Don't|strong = "H0408" be|strong = "H0408"
 hasty in|strong = "H5117" your|strong = "H3588" spirit|strong = "H7307"
 to|strong = "H7307" be|strong = "H0408" angry|strong = "H3707",
 for|strong = "H3588" anger|strong = "H3707" rests|strong = "H5117"
 in|strong = "H5117" the|strong = "H3588" bosom|strong = "H2436"
 of|strong = "H7307" fools|strong = "H3684". ¹⁰ Don't|strong = "H0408"
 say|strong = "H0559", "Why|strong = "H4100" were|strong = "H1961"
 the|strong = "H0559" former|strong = "H7223" days|strong = "H3117"
 better|strong = "H2896" than|strong = "H3808" these|strong = "H0428"?"
 For|strong = "H3588" you|strong = "H3588" do|strong = "H0408"
 not|strong = "H3808" ask|strong = "H7592" wisely|strong = "H2451"
 about|strong = "H1961" this|strong = "H2088".

¹¹Wisdom|strong = "H2451" is|strong = "H2451" as|strong = "H5159"
 good|strong = "H2896" as|strong = "H5159" an|strong = "H7200"
 inheritance|strong = "H5159". Yes|strong = "H7200", it|strong = "H7200"
 is|strong = "H2451" more|strong = "H3148" excellent for|strong = "H8121"
 those|strong = "H5973" who see|strong = "H7200" the|strong = "H7200"
 sun|strong = "H8121". ¹² For|strong = "H3588" wisdom|strong = "H2451"
 is|strong = "H2451" a|strong = "H3588" defense, even|strong = "H3588"
 as|strong = "H3588" money|strong = "H3701" is|strong = "H2451"
 a|strong = "H3588" defense; but|strong = "H3588" the|strong = "H3588"
 excellency of|strong = "H1167" knowledge|strong = "H1847"
 is|strong = "H2451" that|strong = "H3588" wisdom|strong = "H2451"
 preserves|strong = "H2421" the|strong = "H3588" life|strong = "H2421"
 of|strong = "H1167" him|strong = "H3588" who|strong = "H3588"

has|strong = "H3588" it|strong = "H3588".

13 Consider|strong = "H7200" the|strong = "H0853" work|strong = "H4639" of|strong = "H0430" God|strong = "H0430", for|strong = "H3588" who|strong = "H0834" can|strong = "H4310" make|strong = "H7200" that|strong = "H0834" straight which|strong = "H0834" he|strong = "H0834" has|strong = "H0430" made|strong = "H4639" crooked|strong = "H5791"? ¹⁴
 In|strong = "H5921" the|strong = "H0853" day|strong = "H3117" of|strong = "H0430" prosperity|strong = "H2896" be|strong = "H1961" joyful, and|strong = "H0430" in|strong = "H5921" the|strong = "H0853" day|strong = "H3117" of|strong = "H0430" adversity consider|strong = "H7200"; yes|strong = "H1571", God|strong = "H0430" has|strong = "H0430" made|strong = "H6213" the|strong = "H0853" one|strong = "H2088" side|strong = "H2088" by|strong = "H5921" side|strong = "H2088" with|strong = "H5921" the|strong = "H0853" other|strong = "H2088", to|strong = "H1961" the|strong = "H0853" end|strong = "H0310" that|strong = "H3117" man|strong = "H0120" should|strong = "H0120" not|strong = "H3808" find|strong = "H4672" out|strong = "H5921" anything|strong = "H3972" after|strong = "H0310" him|strong = "H5921".

15 All|strong = "H3605" this|strong = "H3117" I|strong = "H3117" have|strong = "H3426" seen|strong = "H7200" in|strong = "H3117" my|strong = "H3605" days|strong = "H3117" of|strong = "H3117" vanity|strong = "H1892": there|strong = "H3426" is|strong = "H3426" a|strong = "H7200" righteous|strong = "H6662" man|strong = "H7563" who|strong = "H3605" perishes|strong = "H0006" in|strong = "H3117" his|strong = "H3605" righteousness|strong = "H6664", and|strong = "H3117" there|strong = "H3426" is|strong = "H3426" a|strong = "H7200" wicked|strong = "H7563" man|strong = "H7563" who|strong = "H3605" lives long|strong = "H3117" in|strong = "H3117" his|strong = "H3605" evil doing.
¹⁶ Don't|strong = "H0408" be|strong = "H1961" overly|strong = "H3148" righteous|strong = "H6662", neither|strong = "H0408" make|strong = "H8074" yourself overly|strong = "H3148" wise|strong = "H2449". Why|strong = "H4100" should|strong = "H4100" you|strong = "H4100" destroy|strong = "H8074" yourself? ¹⁷
 Don't|strong = "H0408" be|strong = "H1961" too|strong = "H3808" wicked|strong = "H7561", neither|strong = "H3808" be|strong = "H1961" foolish|strong = "H5530". Why|strong = "H4100" should|strong = "H4100" you|strong = "H3808" die|strong = "H4191" before|strong = "H3808" your|strong = "H1961" time|strong = "H6256"? ¹⁸ It|strong = "H3588" is|strong = "H0834" good|strong = "H2896" that|strong = "H0834" you|strong = "H0834" should|strong = "H3588" take|strong = "H0270" hold|strong = "H0270" of|strong = "H0430" this|strong = "H2088". Yes|strong = "H3588", also|strong = "H1571" don't|strong = "H0408"

withdraw your|strong = "H3605" hand|strong = "H3027"
 from|strong = "H3318" that|strong = "H0834"; for|strong = "H3588"
 he|strong = "H0834" who|strong = "H0834" fears|strong = "H3373"
 God|strong = "H0430" will|strong = "H0430" come|strong = "H3318"
 out|strong = "H3318" of|strong = "H0430" them|strong = "H0853"
 all|strong = "H3605". ¹⁹ Wisdom|strong = "H2451" is|strong = "H0834"
 a|strong = "H1961" strength to|strong = "H1961" the|strong = "H0834"
 wise|strong = "H2450" man|strong = "H2450" more than
 ten|strong = "H6235" rulers|strong = "H7989" who|strong = "H0834"
 are|strong = "H0834" in|strong = "H1961" a|strong = "H1961"
 city|strong = "H5892". ²⁰ Surely|strong = "H3588" there|strong = "H0369"
 is|strong = "H0369" not|strong = "H3808" a|strong = "H3588"
 righteous|strong = "H6662" man|strong = "H0120" on|strong = "H0776"
 earth|strong = "H0776" who|strong = "H0834" does|strong = "H6213"
 good|strong = "H2896" and|strong = "H0776" doesn't|strong = "H3808"
 sin|strong = "H2398". ²¹ Also|strong = "H1571" don't|strong = "H0408"
 take|strong = "H5414" heed|strong = "H8085" to|strong = "H1696"
 all|strong = "H3605" words|strong = "H1697" that|strong = "H0834"
 are|strong = "H0834" spoken|strong = "H1696", lest you|strong = "H0834"
 hear|strong = "H8085" your|strong = "H3605" servant|strong = "H5650"
 curse|strong = "H7043" you|strong = "H0834"; ²² for|strong = "H3588" often
 your|strong = "H0834" own heart|strong = "H3820" knows|strong = "H3045"
 that|strong = "H0834" you|strong = "H0859" yourself|strong = "H0859"
 have|strong = "H0834" likewise|strong = "H1571" cursed|strong = "H7043"
 others|strong = "H0312". ²³ All|strong = "H3605" this|strong = "H1931"
 I|strong = "H0559" have|strong = "H3605" proved|strong = "H5254"
 in|strong = "H0559" wisdom|strong = "H2451". I|strong = "H0559"
 said|strong = "H0559", "I|strong = "H0559" will|strong = "H1931"
 be|strong = "H1931" wise|strong = "H2449";" but|strong = "H0559"
 it|strong = "H1931" was|strong = "H1931" far|strong = "H7350"
 from|strong = "H4480" me|strong = "H4480". ²⁴ That|strong = "H1961"
 which|strong = "H4310" is|strong = "H4310", is|strong = "H4310"
 far|strong = "H7350" off|strong = "H7350" and|strong = "H1961"
 exceedingly|strong = "H6013" deep|strong = "H6013". Who|strong = "H4310"
 can|strong = "H4310" find|strong = "H4672" it|strong = "H1961"
 out|strong = "H4100"? ²⁵ I|strong = "H0589" turned|strong = "H5437"
 around|strong = "H5437", and|strong = "H2451" my|strong = "H1245"
 heart|strong = "H3820" sought|strong = "H1245" to|strong = "H3820"
 know|strong = "H3045" and|strong = "H2451" to|strong = "H3820"
 search|strong = "H1245" out|strong = "H3045", and|strong = "H2451"
 to|strong = "H3820" seek|strong = "H1245" wisdom|strong = "H2451"
 and|strong = "H2451" the|strong = "H0589" scheme of|strong = "H3820"
 things, and|strong = "H2451" to|strong = "H3820" know|strong = "H3045"
 that|strong = "H3045" wickedness|strong = "H7562" is|strong = "H3820"
 stupidity, and|strong = "H2451" that|strong = "H3045"
 foolishness|strong = "H3689" is|strong = "H3820" madness|strong = "H1947".

26 I|strong = "H0589" find|strong = "H4672" more|strong = "H4480" bitter|strong = "H4751" than|strong = "H4480" death|strong = "H4194" the|strong = "H0853" woman|strong = "H0802" whose|strong = "H0834" heart|strong = "H3820" is|strong = "H0834" snares and|strong = "H0430" traps, whose|strong = "H0834" hands|strong = "H3027" are|strong = "H0834" chains|strong = "H0612". Whoever|strong = "H0834" pleases God|strong = "H0430" shall|strong = "H0802" escape|strong = "H4422" from|strong = "H4480" her|strong = "H0802"; but|strong = "H0834" the|strong = "H0853" sinner|strong = "H2398" will|strong = "H0430" be|strong = "H3820" ensnared by|strong = "H3027" her|strong = "H0802".

27 "Behold|strong = "H7200", I|strong = "H7200" have|strong = "H7200" found|strong = "H4672" this|strong = "H2088", says|strong = "H0559" the|strong = "H0559" Preacher|strong = "H6953", "to|strong = "H0559" one|strong = "H0259" another|strong = "H0259", to|strong = "H0559" find|strong = "H4672" an|strong = "H7200" explanation|strong = "H2808" ²⁸ which|strong = "H0834" my|strong = "H3605" soul|strong = "H5315" still|strong = "H5750" seeks|strong = "H1245", but|strong = "H3808" I|strong = "H0834" have|strong = "H0834" not|strong = "H3808" found|strong = "H4672". I|strong = "H0834" have|strong = "H0834" found|strong = "H4672" one|strong = "H0259" man|strong = "H0120" among|strong = "H4672" a|strong = "H4672" thousand|strong = "H0505", but|strong = "H3808" I|strong = "H0834" have|strong = "H0834" not|strong = "H3808" found|strong = "H4672" a|strong = "H4672" woman|strong = "H0802" among|strong = "H4672" all|strong = "H3605" those|strong = "H0428". ²⁹ Behold|strong = "H7200", I|strong = "H0834" have|strong = "H0834" only|strong = "H0905" found|strong = "H4672" this|strong = "H2088": that|strong = "H0834" God|strong = "H0430" made|strong = "H6213" mankind|strong = "H0120" upright|strong = "H3477"; but|strong = "H7200" they|strong = "H1992" search|strong = "H1245" for|strong = "H0430" many|strong = "H7227" inventions."

8 Who|strong = "H4310" is|strong = "H4310" like|strong = "H1697" the|strong = "H6440" wise|strong = "H2450" man|strong = "H0120"? And|strong = "H0120" who|strong = "H4310" knows|strong = "H3045" the|strong = "H6440" interpretation|strong = "H6592" of|strong = "H1697" a|strong = "H6440" thing|strong = "H1697"? A|strong = "H6440" man's|strong = "H0120" wisdom|strong = "H2451" makes|strong = "H6440" his|strong = "H6440" face|strong = "H6440" shine|strong = "H0215", and|strong = "H0120" the|strong = "H6440" hardness of|strong = "H1697" his|strong = "H6440" face|strong = "H6440" is|strong = "H4310" changed|strong = "H8132".

2I|strong="H0589" say|strong="H6310", "Keep|strong="H8104"
 the|strong="H5921" king's|strong="H4428" command|strong="H6310"!"
 because|strong="H5921" of|strong="H4428" the|strong="H5921"
 oath|strong="H7621" to|strong="H5921" God|strong="H0430". ³
 Don't|strong="H0408" be|strong="H0408" hasty to|strong="H6440" go
 out|strong="H6440" of|strong="H1697" his|strong="H3605"
 presence|strong="H6440". Don't|strong="H0408" persist|strong="H5975"
 in|strong="H5975" an|strong="H3588" evil|strong="H7451"
 thing|strong="H1697", for|strong="H3588" he|strong="H0834"
 does|strong="H6213" whatever|strong="H0834" pleases|strong="H2654"
 him|strong="H6440", ⁴ for|strong="H4428" the|strong="H0559"
 king's|strong="H4428" word|strong="H1697" is|strong="H0834" supreme.
 Who|strong="H0834" can|strong="H4310" say|strong="H0559"
 to|strong="H0559" him|strong="H0559", "What|strong="H4100"
 are|strong="H0834" you|strong="H0834" doing|strong="H6213"?" ⁵
 Whoever|strong="H8104" keeps|strong="H8104" the|strong="H3045"
 commandment|strong="H4687" shall|strong="H3808"
 not|strong="H3808" come to|strong="H6256" harm|strong="H7451",
 and|strong="H4941" his|strong="H8104" wise|strong="H2450"
 heart|strong="H3820" will|strong="H1697" know|strong="H3045"
 the|strong="H3045" time|strong="H6256" and|strong="H4941"
 procedure|strong="H4941". ⁶ For|strong="H3588"
 there|strong="H3426" is|strong="H3426" a|strong="H3588"
 time|strong="H6256" and|strong="H4941" procedure|strong="H4941"
 for|strong="H3588" every|strong="H3605" purpose|strong="H2656",
 although|strong="H3588" the|strong="H3605" misery of|strong="H5921"
 man|strong="H0120" is|strong="H3426" heavy on|strong="H5921"
 him|strong="H5921". ⁷ For|strong="H3588" he|strong="H0834" doesn't
 know|strong="H3045" that|strong="H0834" which|strong="H0834"
 will|strong="H4310" be|strong="H1961"; for|strong="H3588"
 who|strong="H0834" can|strong="H4310" tell|strong="H5046"
 him|strong="H5046" how|strong="H4100" it|strong="H3588"
 will|strong="H4310" be|strong="H1961"? ⁸ There|strong="H0369"
 is|strong="H0369" no|strong="H3808" man|strong="H0120"
 who|strong="H0369" has|strong="H0369" power over|strong="H0853"
 the|strong="H0853" spirit|strong="H7307" to|strong="H0369" contain
 the|strong="H0853" spirit|strong="H7307"; neither|strong="H3808"
 does|strong="H3808" he|strong="H3117" have|strong="H0369" power
 over|strong="H0853" the|strong="H0853" day|strong="H3117"
 of|strong="H3117" death|strong="H4194". There|strong="H0369"
 is|strong="H0369" no|strong="H3808" discharge|strong="H4917"
 in|strong="H3117" war|strong="H4421"; neither|strong="H3808"
 shall|strong="H3808" wickedness|strong="H7562"
 deliver|strong="H4422" those|strong="H0853" who|strong="H0369"
 practice|strong="H1167" it|strong="H3808".

9 All this I have seen, and applied to every work that is under the sun. There is a time in which one man has power over another to hurt. ¹⁰ So I saw the wicked buried. Indeed they came also from holiness. They and were forgotten in the city where they did this. This also is vanity. ¹¹ Because sentence against an evil work is not executed speedily, therefore the heart of sons of men is fully set in them to do evil. ¹² Though a sinner commits crimes a hundred times, and lives long, yet surely I know that it will be better with those who fear God, who are reverent before him. ¹³ But it shall not be well with the wicked, neither shall he lengthen days like a shadow, because he doesn't fear God.

14 There is a vanity done on earth, that are righteous to whom happens the work of the wicked there men to whom happens the work of the wicked. Again, men to whom happens the work of the wicked there men to whom happens the work of the wicked. I said this vanity commended a man no under than to to for accompany labor days life has under

16 When I applied my heart to know to to (even see day then all of man

out|strong = "H3045" the|strong = "H3605" work|strong = "H4639"
 that|strong = "H0834" is|strong = "H0834" done|strong = "H6213"
 under|strong = "H8478" the|strong = "H3605" sun|strong = "H8121",
 because|strong = "H3588" however|strong = "H0518" much|strong = "H0834"
 a|strong = "H3588" man|strong = "H0120" labors|strong = "H4639"
 to|strong = "H0559" seek|strong = "H1245" it|strong = "H0518"
 out|strong = "H3045", yet|strong = "H3588" he|strong = "H0834"
 won't|strong = "H3808" find|strong = "H4672" it|strong = "H0518".
 Yes|strong = "H3588" even|strong = "H1571" though|strong = "H3588"
 a|strong = "H3588" wise|strong = "H2450" man|strong = "H0120" thinks
 he|strong = "H0834" can|strong = "H3201" comprehend|strong = "H3045"
 it|strong = "H0518", he|strong = "H0834" won't|strong = "H3808"
 be|strong = "H3808" able|strong = "H3201" to|strong = "H0559"
 find|strong = "H4672" it|strong = "H0518".

9For|strong = "H3588" all|strong = "H3605" this|strong = "H2088"
 I|strong = "H0834" laid|strong = "H5414" to|strong = "H0413"
 my|strong = "H3605" heart|strong = "H3820", even|strong = "H1571"
 to|strong = "H0413" explore all|strong = "H3605" this|strong = "H2088":
 that|strong = "H0834" the|strong = "H3605" righteous|strong = "H6662",
 and|strong = "H0430" the|strong = "H3605" wise|strong = "H2450",
 and|strong = "H0430" their|strong = "H3605" works, are|strong = "H0834"
 in|strong = "H0413" the|strong = "H3605" hand|strong = "H3027"
 of|strong = "H0430" God|strong = "H0430"; whether|strong = "H1571"
 it|strong = "H5414" is|strong = "H0369" love|strong = "H0160"
 or|strong = "H0369" hatred|strong = "H8135", man|strong = "H0120" doesn't
 know|strong = "H3045" it|strong = "H5414"; all|strong = "H3605"
 is|strong = "H0369" before|strong = "H6440" them|strong = "H0413". ²
 All|strong = "H3605" things|strong = "H3605" come alike|strong = "H0259"
 to|strong = "H0369" all|strong = "H3605". There|strong = "H0369"
 is|strong = "H0369" one|strong = "H0259" event to|strong = "H0369"
 the|strong = "H3605" righteous|strong = "H6662" and|strong = "H2076"
 to|strong = "H0369" the|strong = "H3605" wicked|strong = "H7563";
 to|strong = "H0369" the|strong = "H3605" good|strong = "H2896",
 to|strong = "H0369" the|strong = "H3605" clean|strong = "H2889",
 to|strong = "H0369" the|strong = "H3605" unclean|strong = "H2931",
 to|strong = "H0369" him|strong = "H3605" who|strong = "H0834"
 sacrifices|strong = "H2076", and|strong = "H2076" to|strong = "H0369"
 him|strong = "H3605" who|strong = "H0834" doesn't
 sacrifice|strong = "H2076". As|strong = "H0834" is|strong = "H0369"
 the|strong = "H3605" good|strong = "H2896", so|strong = "H0834"
 is|strong = "H0369" the|strong = "H3605" sinner|strong = "H2398";
 he|strong = "H0834" who|strong = "H0834" takes|strong = "H7650"
 an|strong = "H7650" oath|strong = "H7621", as|strong = "H0834"
 he|strong = "H0834" who|strong = "H0834" fears|strong = "H3372"

an|strong = "H7650" oath|strong = "H7621". ³ This|strong = "H2088"
 is|strong = "H0834" an|strong = "H3588" evil|strong = "H7451"
 in|strong = "H0413" all|strong = "H3605" that|strong = "H0834"
 is|strong = "H0834" done|strong = "H6213" under|strong = "H8478"
 the|strong = "H3605" sun|strong = "H8121", that|strong = "H0834"
 there|strong = "H2088" is|strong = "H0834" one|strong = "H0259" event
 to|strong = "H0413" all|strong = "H3605". Yes|strong = "H3588"
 also|strong = "H1571", the|strong = "H3605" heart|strong = "H3820"
 of|strong = "H1121" the|strong = "H3605" sons|strong = "H1121"
 of|strong = "H1121" men|strong = "H0120" is|strong = "H0834"
 full|strong = "H4390" of|strong = "H1121" evil|strong = "H7451",
 and|strong = "H1121" madness|strong = "H1947" is|strong = "H0834"
 in|strong = "H0413" their|strong = "H3605" heart|strong = "H3820"
 while|strong = "H3588" they|strong = "H0834" live|strong = "H2416",
 and|strong = "H1121" after|strong = "H0310" that|strong = "H0834"
 they|strong = "H0834" go to|strong = "H0413" the|strong = "H3605"
 dead|strong = "H4191". ⁴ For|strong = "H3588" to|strong = "H0413"
 him|strong = "H0413" who|strong = "H0834" is|strong = "H0834" joined
 with|strong = "H0413" all|strong = "H3605" the|strong = "H3605"
 living|strong = "H2416" there|strong = "H3426" is|strong = "H0834"
 hope|strong = "H0986"; for|strong = "H3588" a|strong = "H3588"
 living|strong = "H2416" dog|strong = "H3611" is|strong = "H0834"
 better|strong = "H2896" than|strong = "H4480" a|strong = "H3588"
 dead|strong = "H4191" lion|strong = "H0738". ⁵ For|strong = "H3588"
 the|strong = "H3588" living|strong = "H2416" know|strong = "H3045"
 that|strong = "H3588" they|strong = "H3588" will|strong = "H0369"
 die|strong = "H4191", but|strong = "H3588" the|strong = "H3588"
 dead|strong = "H4191" don't|strong = "H0369" know|strong = "H3045"
 anything|strong = "H3972", neither|strong = "H0369" do|strong = "H0369"
 they|strong = "H3588" have|strong = "H0369" any|strong = "H5750"
 more|strong = "H5750" a|strong = "H3588" reward|strong = "H7939";
 for|strong = "H3588" their|strong = "H3588" memory|strong = "H2143"
 is|strong = "H0369" forgotten|strong = "H7911". ⁶ Also|strong = "H1571"
 their|strong = "H3605" love|strong = "H0160", their|strong = "H3605"
 hatred|strong = "H8135", and|strong = "H5769" their|strong = "H3605"
 envy|strong = "H7068" has|strong = "H0834" perished|strong = "H0006"
 long|strong = "H5769" ago|strong = "H5769"; neither|strong = "H0369"
 do|strong = "H6213" they|strong = "H1992" any|strong = "H3605"
 longer|strong = "H5750" have|strong = "H0834" a|strong = "H0834"
 portion|strong = "H2506" forever|strong = "H5769" in|strong = "H5750"
 anything|strong = "H3605" that|strong = "H0834" is|strong = "H0369"
 done|strong = "H6213" under|strong = "H8478" the|strong = "H3605"
 sun|strong = "H8121".

7 Go your|strong="H0398" way—eat|strong="H0398" your|strong="H0398" bread|strong="H3899" with|strong="H0854" joy|strong="H8057", and|strong="H0430" drink|strong="H8354" your|strong="H0398" wine|strong="H3196" with|strong="H0854" a|strong="H3588" merry heart|strong="H3820"; for|strong="H3588" God|strong="H0430" has|strong="H0430" already|strong="H3528" accepted|strong="H7521" your|strong="H0398" works|strong="H4639".
⁸ Let|strong="H0408" your|strong="H3605" garments|strong="H0899" be|strong="H1961" always|strong="H6256" white|strong="H3836", and|strong="H7218" don't|strong="H0408" let|strong="H0408" your|strong="H3605" head|strong="H7218" lack|strong="H2637" oil|strong="H8081". ⁹ Live|strong="H2416" joyfully with|strong="H5973" the|strong="H3605" wife|strong="H0802" whom|strong="H0834" you|strong="H0859" love|strong="H0157" all|strong="H3605" the|strong="H3605" days|strong="H3117" of|strong="H3117" your|strong="H3605" life|strong="H3117" of|strong="H3117" vanity|strong="H1892", which|strong="H0834" he|strong="H0834" has|strong="H0834" given|strong="H5414" you|strong="H0859" under|strong="H8478" the|strong="H3605" sun|strong="H8121", all|strong="H3605" your|strong="H3605" days|strong="H3117" of|strong="H3117" vanity|strong="H1892", for|strong="H3588" that|strong="H0834" is|strong="H0834" your|strong="H3605" portion|strong="H2506" in|strong="H3117" life|strong="H3117", and|strong="H3117" in|strong="H3117" your|strong="H3605" labor|strong="H5999" in|strong="H3117" which|strong="H0834" you|strong="H0859" labor|strong="H5999" under|strong="H8478" the|strong="H3605" sun|strong="H8121". ¹⁰ Whatever|strong="H0834" your|strong="H3605" hand|strong="H3027" finds|strong="H4672" to|strong="H1980" do|strong="H6213", do|strong="H6213" it|strong="H3588" with|strong="H1980" your|strong="H3605" might|strong="H3581"; for|strong="H3588" there|strong="H8033" is|strong="H0369" no|strong="H0369" work|strong="H4639", nor|strong="H0369" plan, nor|strong="H0369" knowledge|strong="H1847", nor|strong="H0369" wisdom|strong="H2451", in|strong="H1980" Sheol|strong="H7585", ³ where|strong="H0834" you|strong="H0859" are|strong="H0834" going|strong="H1980".

11 I|strong="H3588" returned|strong="H7725" and|strong="H7725" saw|strong="H7200" under|strong="H8478" the|strong="H3605" sun|strong="H8121" that|strong="H3588" the|strong="H3605" race|strong="H4793" is|strong="H1571" not|strong="H3808" to|strong="H7725" the|strong="H3605" swift|strong="H7031", nor|strong="H3808" the|strong="H3605" battle|strong="H4421"

³ + 9:10 Sheol is the place of the dead.

to|strong = "H7725" the|strong = "H3605" strong|strong = "H1368",
 neither|strong = "H3808" yet|strong = "H3588" bread|strong = "H3899"
 to|strong = "H7725" the|strong = "H3605" wise|strong = "H2450",
 nor|strong = "H3808" yet|strong = "H3588" riches|strong = "H6239"
 to|strong = "H7725" men|strong = "H1368" of|strong = "H8478"
 understanding|strong = "H0995", nor|strong = "H3808" yet|strong = "H3588"
 favor|strong = "H2580" to|strong = "H7725" men|strong = "H1368"
 of|strong = "H8478" skill; but|strong = "H3588" time|strong = "H6256"
 and|strong = "H7725" chance|strong = "H6294" happen to|strong = "H7725"
 them|strong = "H0853" all|strong = "H3605". ¹² For|strong = "H3588"
 man|strong = "H0120" also|strong = "H1571" doesn't|strong = "H3808"
 know|strong = "H3045" his|strong = "H5921" time|strong = "H6256".
 As|strong = "H1571" the|strong = "H0853" fish|strong = "H1709"
 that|strong = "H3588" are|strong = "H1992" taken|strong = "H0270"
 in|strong = "H5921" an|strong = "H3588" evil|strong = "H7451" net,
 and|strong = "H1121" as|strong = "H1571" the|strong = "H0853"
 birds|strong = "H6833" that|strong = "H3588" are|strong = "H1992"
 caught|strong = "H0270" in|strong = "H5921" the|strong = "H0853"
 snare|strong = "H3369", even|strong = "H1571" so|strong = "H3808"
 are|strong = "H1992" the|strong = "H0853" sons|strong = "H1121"
 of|strong = "H1121" men|strong = "H0120" snared|strong = "H3369"
 in|strong = "H5921" an|strong = "H3588" evil|strong = "H7451"
 time|strong = "H6256", when|strong = "H3588" it|strong = "H5921"
 falls|strong = "H5307" suddenly|strong = "H6597" on|strong = "H5921"
 them|strong = "H1992".

13|strong = "H7200" have|strong = "H1571" also|strong = "H1571"
 seen|strong = "H7200" wisdom|strong = "H2451" under|strong = "H8478"
 the|strong = "H0413" sun|strong = "H8121" in|strong = "H0413"
 this|strong = "H1931" way, and|strong = "H1419" it|strong = "H1931"
 seemed|strong = "H7200" great|strong = "H1419" to|strong = "H0413"
 me|strong = "H0413". ¹⁴ There was|strong = "H0376" a|strong = "H1129"
 little|strong = "H4592" city|strong = "H5892", and|strong = "H0935"
 few|strong = "H4592" men|strong = "H0376" within|strong = "H5921"
 it|strong = "H5921"; and|strong = "H0935" a|strong = "H1129"
 great|strong = "H1419" king|strong = "H4428" came|strong = "H0935"
 against|strong = "H5921" it|strong = "H5921", besieged it|strong = "H5921",
 and|strong = "H0935" built|strong = "H1129" great|strong = "H1419"
 bulwarks against|strong = "H5921" it|strong = "H5921". ¹⁵
 Now|strong = "H0120" a|strong = "H4672" poor|strong = "H4542"
 wise|strong = "H2450" man|strong = "H0376" was|strong = "H1931"
 found|strong = "H4672" in|strong = "H0376" it|strong = "H1931",
 and|strong = "H0376" he|strong = "H1931" by|strong = "H3808"
 his|strong = "H0376" wisdom|strong = "H2451" delivered|strong = "H4422"
 the|strong = "H0853" city|strong = "H5892"; yet|strong = "H4672"

no|strong = "H3808" man|strong = "H0376" remembered|strong = "H2142" that|strong = "H1931" same|strong = "H1931" poor|strong = "H4542" man|strong = "H0376". ¹⁶ Then|strong = "H8085" I|strong = "H0589" said|strong = "H0559", "Wisdom|strong = "H2451" is|strong = "H0369" better|strong = "H2896" than|strong = "H2896" strength|strong = "H1369".
 Nevertheless the|strong = "H0559" poor|strong = "H4542" man's wisdom|strong = "H2451" is|strong = "H0369" despised|strong = "H0959", and|strong = "H8085" his|strong = "H8085" words|strong = "H1697" are|strong = "H1697" not|strong = "H0369" heard|strong = "H8085". ¹⁷
 The|strong = "H8085" words|strong = "H1697" of|strong = "H1697" the|strong = "H8085" wise|strong = "H2450" heard|strong = "H8085" in|strong = "H8085" quiet are|strong = "H1697" better than the|strong = "H8085" cry|strong = "H2201" of|strong = "H1697" him|strong = "H8085" who|strong = "H2450" rules|strong = "H4910" among|strong = "H4910" fools|strong = "H3684". ¹⁸
 Wisdom|strong = "H2451" is|strong = "H2451" better|strong = "H2896" than|strong = "H2896" weapons|strong = "H3627" of|strong = "H3627" war|strong = "H7128"; but one|strong = "H0259" sinner|strong = "H2398" destroys|strong = "H0006" much|strong = "H7235" good|strong = "H2896".

10Dead|strong = "H4194" flies|strong = "H2070" cause the|strong = "H3519" oil|strong = "H8081" of|strong = "H4194" the|strong = "H3519" perfumer|strong = "H7543" to|strong = "H0887" produce an evil odor;

s o|strong = "H4592" does a|strong = "H4592" little|strong = "H4592" folly|strong = "H5531" outweigh wisdom|strong = "H2451" and|strong = "H8081" honor|strong = "H3519".

2A wise|strong = "H2450" man's|strong = "H2450" heart|strong = "H3820" is|strong = "H3820" at his right|strong = "H3225" hand|strong = "H3225",

b ut|strong = "H3820" a fool's|strong = "H3684" heart|strong = "H3820" at his left|strong = "H8040". ³ Yes|strong = "H1571" also|strong = "H1571" when|strong = "H1980" the|strong = "H3605" fool|strong = "H5530" walks|strong = "H1980" by|strong = "H1870" the|strong = "H3605" way|strong = "H1870", his|strong = "H3605" understanding|strong = "H3820" fails him|strong = "H3605", and|strong = "H1980" he|strong = "H1931" says|strong = "H0559" to|strong = "H0559" everyone|strong = "H3605" that|strong = "H3605" he|strong = "H1931" is|strong = "H1931" a|strong = "H1571" fool|strong = "H5530". ⁴ If|strong = "H0518" the|strong = "H5921" spirit|strong = "H7307" of|strong = "H7307" the|strong = "H5921" ruler|strong = "H4910" rises|strong = "H5927" up|strong = "H5927" against|strong = "H5921" you|strong = "H3588",

don't|strong = "H0408" leave|strong = "H3240" your|strong = "H5921"
place|strong = "H4725"; for|strong = "H3588" gentleness lays
great|strong = "H1419" offenses|strong = "H2399" to|strong = "H5921" rest.

5There|strong = "H3426" is|strong = "H3426" an|strong = "H7200"
evil|strong = "H7451" which I|strong = "H7200" have|strong = "H3426"
seen|strong = "H7200" under|strong = "H8478" the|strong = "H6440"
sun|strong = "H8121", the|strong = "H6440" sort of|strong = "H6440"
error|strong = "H7684" which proceeds|strong = "H3318"
from|strong = "H3318" the|strong = "H6440" ruler|strong = "H7989". ⁶
Folly|strong = "H5529" is|strong = "H5529" set|strong = "H5414"
in|strong = "H3427" great|strong = "H7227" dignity, and|strong = "H3427"
the|strong = "H5414" rich|strong = "H6223" sit|strong = "H3427"
in|strong = "H3427" a|strong = "H5414" low|strong = "H8216"
place|strong = "H5414". ⁷ I|strong = "H5650" have|strong = "H0776"
seen|strong = "H7200" servants|strong = "H5650" on|strong = "H5921"
horses|strong = "H5483", and|strong = "H1980" princes|strong = "H8269"
walking|strong = "H1980" like|strong = "H0776" servants|strong = "H5650"
on|strong = "H5921" the|strong = "H5921" earth|strong = "H0776". ⁸ He
who digs|strong = "H2658" a|strong = "H2658" pit|strong = "H1475"
may|strong = "H1475" fall|strong = "H5307" into|strong = "H5307"
it|strong = "H2658"; and|strong = "H5307" whoever breaks|strong = "H6555"
through|strong = "H6555" a|strong = "H2658" wall|strong = "H1447"
may|strong = "H1475" be bitten by|strong = "H5307" a|strong = "H2658"
snake|strong = "H5175". ⁹ Whoever carves out|strong = "H5265"
stones|strong = "H0068" may be|strong = "H6086" injured
by|strong = "H5265" them. Whoever splits|strong = "H1234"
wood|strong = "H6086" may be|strong = "H6086"
endangered|strong = "H5533" by|strong = "H5265" it. ¹⁰ If|strong = "H0518"
the|strong = "H6440" ax is|strong = "H1931" blunt, and|strong = "H6440"
one|strong = "H3808" doesn't|strong = "H3808" sharpen|strong = "H7043"
the|strong = "H6440" edge|strong = "H6440", then|strong = "H3808"
he|strong = "H1931" must|strong = "H0518" use|strong = "H1931"
more|strong = "H3808" strength|strong = "H2428"; but|strong = "H0518"
skill|strong = "H2451" brings success|strong = "H3787".

11If|strong = "H0518" the|strong = "H0518" snake|strong = "H5175" bites
before|strong = "H3808" it|strong = "H0518" is|strong = "H0369"
charmed|strong = "H3908", then|strong = "H3808" is|strong = "H0369"
there|strong = "H0369" no|strong = "H3808" profit|strong = "H3504"
for|strong = "H0518" the|strong = "H0518" charmer's
tongue|strong = "H3956". ¹² The|strong = "H1697" words|strong = "H1697"
of|strong = "H1697" a|strong = "H1697" wise|strong = "H2450"
man's|strong = "H2450" mouth|strong = "H6310" are|strong = "H1697"
gracious|strong = "H2580"; but|strong = "H1104" a|strong = "H1697"

fool|strong = "H3684" is|strong = "H1697" swallowed|strong = "H1104"
 by|strong = "H8193" his|strong = "H6310" own lips|strong = "H8193". ¹³
 The|strong = "H1697" beginning|strong = "H8462" of|strong = "H1697"
 the|strong = "H1697" words|strong = "H1697" of|strong = "H1697"
 his|strong = "H6310" mouth|strong = "H6310" is|strong = "H1697"
 foolishness|strong = "H5531"; and|strong = "H1697" the|strong = "H1697"
 end|strong = "H0319" of|strong = "H1697" his|strong = "H6310"
 talk|strong = "H1697" is|strong = "H1697" mischievous
 madness|strong = "H1948". ¹⁴ A|strong = "H1961" fool|strong = "H5530"
 also|strong = "H3045" multiplies words|strong = "H1697".

M an|strong = "H0120" doesn't|strong = "H3808" know|strong = "H3045"
 what|strong = "H4100" will|strong = "H4310" be|strong = "H1961";
 and|strong = "H0120" that|strong = "H0834" which|strong = "H0834"
 will|strong = "H4310" be|strong = "H1961" after|strong = "H0310"
 him|strong = "H0310", who|strong = "H0834" can|strong = "H4310"
 tell|strong = "H5046" him|strong = "H0310"? ¹⁵ The|strong = "H0834"
 labor|strong = "H5999" of|strong = "H3045" fools|strong = "H3684"
 wearies|strong = "H3021" every one|strong = "H3808" of|strong = "H3045"
 them|strong = "H0413"; for|strong = "H0413" he|strong = "H0834"
 doesn't|strong = "H3808" know|strong = "H3045" how|strong = "H0834"
 to|strong = "H0413" go to|strong = "H0413" the|strong = "H0834"
 city|strong = "H5892".

16Woe|strong = "H0337" to|strong = "H0776" you|strong = "H0398",
 land|strong = "H0776", when|strong = "H0776" your|strong = "H0398"
 king|strong = "H4428" is|strong = "H0776" a|strong = "H0776"
 child|strong = "H5288",

a nd|strong = "H0776" your|strong = "H0398" princes|strong = "H8269"
 eat|strong = "H0398" in|strong = "H0776" the|strong = "H0398"
 morning|strong = "H1242"!

17Happy|strong = "H0835" are|strong = "H1121" you|strong = "H3808",
 land|strong = "H0776", when|strong = "H6256" your|strong = "H0398"
 king|strong = "H4428" is|strong = "H0776" the|strong = "H0398"
 son|strong = "H1121" of|strong = "H1121" nobles|strong = "H2715",

a nd|strong = "H1121" your|strong = "H0398" princes|strong = "H8269"
 eat|strong = "H0398" in|strong = "H0776" due season|strong = "H6256",

f or|strong = "H0776" strength|strong = "H1369", and|strong = "H1121"
 not|strong = "H3808" for|strong = "H0776" drunkenness|strong = "H8358"!

18By|strong = "H3027" slothfulness the|strong = "H3027" roof sinks
in|strong = "H1004";

a nd|strong = "H3027" through|strong = "H3027" idleness
of|strong = "H1004" the|strong = "H3027" hands|strong = "H3027"
the|strong = "H3027" house|strong = "H1004" leaks|strong = "H1811".

19A|strong = "H8055" feast is|strong = "H3605" made|strong = "H6213"
for|strong = "H3605" laughter|strong = "H7814",

a nd|strong = "H3701" wine|strong = "H3196" makes|strong = "H8055"
the|strong = "H3605" life|strong = "H2416" glad|strong = "H8055";

a nd|strong = "H3701" money|strong = "H3701" is|strong = "H3605"
the|strong = "H3605" answer|strong = "H6030" for|strong = "H3605"
all|strong = "H3605" things|strong = "H3605".

20Don't|strong = "H0408" curse|strong = "H7043" the|strong = "H0853"
king|strong = "H4428", no|strong = "H0408", not|strong = "H0408"
in|strong = "H4428" your|strong = "H3588" thoughts|strong = "H1697";

a nd|strong = "H4428" don't|strong = "H0408" curse|strong = "H7043"
the|strong = "H0853" rich|strong = "H6223" in|strong = "H4428"
your|strong = "H3588" bedroom|strong = "H2315",

f or|strong = "H3588" a|strong = "H3588" bird|strong = "H5775"
of|strong = "H4428" the|strong = "H0853" sky|strong = "H8064"
may|strong = "H1571" carry your|strong = "H3588" voice|strong = "H6963",

a nd|strong = "H4428" that|strong = "H3588" which|strong = "H1697"
has|strong = "H4428" wings|strong = "H3671" may|strong = "H1571"
tell|strong = "H5046" the|strong = "H0853" matter|strong = "H1697".

11Cast|strong = "H7971" your|strong = "H5921" bread|strong = "H3899"
on|strong = "H5921" the|strong = "H6440" waters|strong = "H4325";

f or|strong = "H3588" you|strong = "H3588" shall|strong = "H3117"
find|strong = "H4672" it|strong = "H5921" after|strong = "H5921"
many|strong = "H7230" days|strong = "H3117".

2Give|strong = "H5414" a|strong = "H1961" portion|strong = "H2506"
to|strong = "H1961" seven|strong = "H7651", yes|strong = "H3588",
even|strong = "H1571" to|strong = "H1961" eight|strong = "H8083";

f or|strong = "H3588" you|strong = "H3588" don't|strong = "H3808"
 know|strong = "H3045" what|strong = "H4100" evil|strong = "H7451"
 will|strong = "H1961" be|strong = "H1961" on|strong = "H5921"
 the|strong = "H5921" earth|strong = "H0776".

3If|strong = "H0518" the|strong = "H5921" clouds|strong = "H5645"
 are|strong = "H0776" full|strong = "H4390" of|strong = "H0776"
 rain|strong = "H1653", they|strong = "H0518" empty
 themselves|strong = "H5921" on|strong = "H5921" the|strong = "H5921"
 earth|strong = "H0776";

a nd|strong = "H0776" if|strong = "H0518" a|strong = "H0518"
 tree|strong = "H6086" falls|strong = "H5307" toward|strong = "H5921"
 the|strong = "H5921" south|strong = "H1864", or|strong = "H0518"
 toward|strong = "H5921" the|strong = "H5921" north|strong = "H6828",

i n|strong = "H5921" the|strong = "H5921" place|strong = "H4725"
 where|strong = "H8033" the|strong = "H5921" tree|strong = "H6086"
 falls|strong = "H5307", there|strong = "H8033" shall|strong = "H0776"
 it|strong = "H0518" be|strong = "H0776".

4He|strong = "H3808" who|strong = "H8104" observes|strong = "H8104"
 the|strong = "H7200" wind|strong = "H7307" won't|strong = "H3808"
 sow|strong = "H2232";

a nd|strong = "H7200" he|strong = "H3808" who|strong = "H8104"
 regards|strong = "H8104" the|strong = "H7200" clouds|strong = "H5645"
 won't|strong = "H3808" reap|strong = "H7114".

5As|strong = "H0834" you|strong = "H0834" don't|strong = "H3808"
 know|strong = "H3045" what|strong = "H4100" is|strong = "H0369"
 the|strong = "H3605" way|strong = "H1870" of|strong = "H0430"
 the|strong = "H3605" wind|strong = "H7307",

n or|strong = "H3808" how|strong = "H4100" the|strong = "H3605"
 bones|strong = "H6106" grow in|strong = "H0430" the|strong = "H3605"
 womb|strong = "H0990" of|strong = "H0430" her|strong = "H3605"
 who|strong = "H0834" is|strong = "H0369" with|strong = "H3045" child;

e ven|strong = "H3808" so|strong = "H6213" you|strong = "H0834"
 don't|strong = "H3808" know|strong = "H3045" the|strong = "H3605"
 work|strong = "H4639" of|strong = "H0430" God|strong = "H0430"
 who|strong = "H0834" does|strong = "H6213" all|strong = "H3605".

6 In the morning
sow your seed,

and in the evening
don't withhold
your hand;

for you don't
know which will
prosper, whether this
or that,

or whether they
both will be equally
good.

7 Truly the light
is sweet,

and it is
pleasant thing for
the eyes to
see the sun.

8 Yes, if a
man lives many
years, let him
rejoice in them
all;

but let him
remember the
days of
darkness, for
they shall be
many.

All that comes
is vanity.

9 Rejoice, young
man, in your
youth,

a nd|strong = "H1980" let|strong = "H8055" your|strong = "H3605"
heart|strong = "H3820" cheer|strong = "H3190" you|strong = "H3588"
in|strong = "H5921" the|strong = "H3605" days|strong = "H3117"
of|strong = "H0430" your|strong = "H3605" youth|strong = "H0979",

a nd|strong = "H1980" walk|strong = "H1980" in|strong = "H5921"
the|strong = "H3605" ways|strong = "H1870" of|strong = "H0430"
your|strong = "H3605" heart|strong = "H3820",

a nd|strong = "H1980" in|strong = "H5921" the|strong = "H3605"
sight|strong = "H5869" of|strong = "H0430" your|strong = "H3605"
eyes|strong = "H5869";

b ut|strong = "H3588" know|strong = "H3045" that|strong = "H3588"
for|strong = "H3588" all|strong = "H3605" these|strong = "H0428"
things|strong = "H0428" God|strong = "H0430" will|strong = "H0430"
bring|strong = "H0935" you|strong = "H3588" into|strong = "H0935"
judgment|strong = "H4941".

10Therefore|strong = "H3588" remove|strong = "H5493" sorrow
from|strong = "H5493" your|strong = "H3588" heart|strong = "H3820",

a nd|strong = "H3820" put|strong = "H5493" away|strong = "H5493"
evil|strong = "H7451" from|strong = "H5493" your|strong = "H3588"
flesh|strong = "H1320";

f or|strong = "H3588" youth|strong = "H3208" and|strong = "H3820"
the|strong = "H3588" dawn of|strong = "H3820" life|strong = "H3820"
are|strong = "H3820" vanity|strong = "H1892".

12Remember|strong = "H2142" also|strong = "H0853"
your|strong = "H0834" Creator in|strong = "H8141" the|strong = "H0853"
days|strong = "H3117" of|strong = "H3117" your|strong = "H0834"
youth|strong = "H0979",

b efore|strong = "H5704" the|strong = "H0853" evil|strong = "H7451"
days|strong = "H3117" come|strong = "H0935", and|strong = "H0935"
the|strong = "H0853" years|strong = "H8141" draw|strong = "H5060"
near|strong = "H5060",

when you will say, "I have no pleasure in them";

2Before the sun, the light, the moon, and the stars are darkened,

and the clouds return after the rain;

3in the day when the keepers of the house shall tremble,

and the strong men shall bow themselves,

and the grinders cease because they are few,

and those who look out of the windows are darkened,

4and the doors shall be shut in the street;

when the sound of grinding is low,

and one shall rise up at the voice of a bird,

and all the daughters of music shall be brought low;

Yes, they shall be afraid of heights,

and terrors will be on the way;

and the almond tree shall blossom,

and the grasshopper shall be a burden,

and desire shall fail;

because man goes to his everlasting home,

and the mourners about the streets;

Before the silver cord is severed,

or the golden bowl is broken,

or the pitcher is broken at the spring,

or the wheel is broken at the cistern,

7and|strong = "H0430" the|strong = "H0834" dust|strong = "H6083"
 returns|strong = "H7725" to|strong = "H0413" the|strong = "H0834"
 earth|strong = "H0776" as|strong = "H0834" it|strong = "H5414"
 was|strong = "H1961",

a nd|strong = "H0430" the|strong = "H0834" spirit|strong = "H7307"
 returns|strong = "H7725" to|strong = "H0413" God|strong = "H0430"
 who|strong = "H0834" gave|strong = "H5414" it|strong = "H5414".

8"Vanity|strong = "H1892" of|strong = "H3605"
 vanities|strong = "H1892", says|strong = "H0559" the|strong = "H3605"
 Preacher|strong = "H6953".

" All|strong = "H3605" is|strong = "H3605" vanity|strong = "H1892"!"

9Further|strong = "H5750", because the|strong = "H0853"
 Preacher|strong = "H6953" was|strong = "H1961" wise|strong = "H2450",
 he|strong = "H0853" still|strong = "H5750" taught|strong = "H3925"
 the|strong = "H0853" people|strong = "H5971" knowledge|strong = "H1847".
 Yes, he|strong = "H0853" pondered|strong = "H2713", sought
 out|strong = "H2713", and|strong = "H0853" set in|strong = "H5750" order
 many|strong = "H7235" proverbs|strong = "H4912". ¹⁰
 The|strong = "H1697" Preacher|strong = "H6953" sought|strong = "H1245"
 to|strong = "H1697" find|strong = "H4672" out|strong = "H1245" acceptable
 words|strong = "H1697", and|strong = "H1697" that|strong = "H1697"
 which|strong = "H1697" was|strong = "H1697" written|strong = "H3789"
 blamelessly, words|strong = "H1697" of|strong = "H1697"
 truth|strong = "H0571". ¹¹ The|strong = "H5414" words|strong = "H1697"
 of|strong = "H1697" the|strong = "H5414" wise|strong = "H2450"
 are|strong = "H1697" like|strong = "H1697" goads; and|strong = "H1697"
 like|strong = "H1697" nails well fastened|strong = "H5414"
 are|strong = "H1697" words|strong = "H1697" from|strong = "H1697"
 the|strong = "H5414" masters|strong = "H1167" of|strong = "H1697"
 assemblies, which|strong = "H1697" are|strong = "H1697"
 given|strong = "H5414" from|strong = "H1697" one|strong = "H0259"
 shepherd|strong = "H7462". ¹² Furthermore, my|strong = "H1320"
 son|strong = "H1121", be|strong = "H1121" admonished: of|strong = "H1121"
 making|strong = "H0369" many|strong = "H7235" books|strong = "H5612"
 there|strong = "H0369" is|strong = "H0369" no|strong = "H0369"
 end|strong = "H7093"; and|strong = "H1121" much|strong = "H7235"
 study|strong = "H3854" is|strong = "H0369" a|strong = "H0369" weariness
 of|strong = "H1121" the|strong = "H6213" flesh|strong = "H1320".

13 This is the the
 end of the
 matter of the
 been heard. Fear
 God and keep
 his commandments; for
 this is the the
 whole duty of
 man. ¹⁴ For God
 will bring every
 work into judgment,
 with every hidden
 thing, whether
 is good, or
 whether it is
 evil.