

The Path of Wise Children

Ex. 20:12 “Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.”

Prov. 1:7 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge; fools despise wisdom and instruction.

Prov. 1:8-9 Hear, my son, your father's instruction, and forsake not your mother's teaching,⁹ for they are a graceful garland for your head and pendants for your neck.

Prov. 2:10-12 for wisdom will come into your heart, and knowledge will be pleasant to your soul;¹¹ discretion will watch over you, understanding will guard you,¹² delivering you from the way of evil, from men of perverted speech,

Prov. 3:1-15 My son, do not forget my teaching, but let your heart keep my commandments,² for length of days and years of life and peace they will add to you.³ Let not steadfast love and faithfulness forsake you; bind them around your neck; write them on the tablet of your heart.⁴ So you will find favor and good success in the sight of God and man. Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding.⁶ In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.⁷ Be not wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord, and turn away from evil.⁸ It will be healing to your flesh and refreshment to your bones. Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the first fruits of all your produce;¹⁰ then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine. My son, do not despise the Lord's discipline or be weary of his reproof,¹² for the Lord reproves him whom he loves, as a father the son in whom he delights. Blessed is the one who finds wisdom, and the one who gets understanding,¹⁴ for the gain from her is better than gain from silver and her profit better than gold.¹⁵ She is more precious than jewels, and nothing you desire can compare with her.

Prov. 3:21-23 My son, do not lose sight of these— keep sound wisdom and discretion,²² and they will be life for your soul and adornment for your neck.²³ Then you will walk on your way securely, and your foot will not stumble.

Prov. 4:5-9 Get wisdom; get insight; do not forget, and do not turn away from the words of my mouth. ⁶ Do not forsake her, and she will keep you; love her, and she will guard you.⁷ The beginning of wisdom is this: Get wisdom, and whatever you get, get insight.⁸ Prize her highly, and she will exalt you; she will honor you if you embrace her.⁹ She will place on your head a graceful garland; she will bestow on you a beautiful crown.”

Prov. 4:23 Keep your heart with all vigilance, for from it flow the springs of life.

Prov. 6:20 My son, keep your father's commandment, and forsake not your mother's teaching.

Prov. 9:10 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight.

Prov. 10:1-2 The proverbs of Solomon. A wise son makes a glad father, but a foolish son is a sorrow to his mother.² Treasures gained by wickedness do not profit, but righteousness delivers from death.

Prov. 10:19 When words are many, transgression is not lacking, but whoever restrains his lips is prudent.

Prov. 13:3 Whoever guards his mouth preserves his life; he who opens wide his lips comes to ruin.

Prov. 13:20 Whoever walks with the wise becomes wise, but the companion of fools will suffer harm.

Prov. 15:1 A soft answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.

Prov. 16:3 Commit your work to the Lord, and your plans will be established.

Prov. 16:24 Gracious words are like a honeycomb, sweetness to the soul and health to the body.

Prov. 18:10 The name of the Lord is a strong tower; the righteous man runs into it and is safe.

Prov. 20:7 The righteous who walks in his integrity— blessed are his children after him!

Prov. 20:13 Love not sleep, lest you come to poverty; open your eyes, and you will have plenty of bread

Prov. 23:19-21 Hear, my son, and be wise, and direct your heart in the way.²⁰ Be not among drunkards or among gluttonous eaters of meat,²¹ for the drunkard and the glutton will come to poverty, and slumber will clothe them with rags.

Prov. 27:17 Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another.

Prov. 28:13 Whoever conceals his transgressions will not prosper, but he who confesses and forsakes them will obtain mercy.

Prov. 29:15 “A rod and a reprimand impart wisdom, but a child left undisciplined disgraces its mother.”

Prov. 29:25 The fear of man lays a snare, but whoever trusts in the Lord is safe.

Prov. 30:5 Every word of God proves true; he is a shield to those who take refuge in him.

Prov. 31:10 An excellent wife who can find? She is far more precious than jewels.

Prov. 31:30 Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised.

Eph. 6:1-3 “Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. ²“Honor your father and mother”—which is the first commandment with a promise— ³“so that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth.”