

A Topical Treasury of Proverbs

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- 3:11, 12 My child, do not despise **discipline** from the Lord, and do not loathe his rebuke. For the Lord disciplines those he loves, just as a father disciplines the son in whom he delights.
- 9:8, 9 Do not reprove a mocker or he will hate you; **reprove** a wise person and he will love you. Give instruction to a wise person, and he will become wiser still; teach a righteous person and he will add to his learning.
- 10:17 The one who **heeds instruction** is on the way to life, but the one who rejects rebuke goes astray.
- 11:14 When there is no guidance a nation falls, but there is success in the abundance of **counselors**.
- 12:1 The one who **loves discipline** loves knowledge, but the one who hates reproof is stupid.
- 12:15 The way of a fool is right in his own opinion, but the one who **listens to advice** is wise.

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| 13:1 | A wise son accepts his father's discipline , but a scoffer does not listen to rebuke. |
| 13:10 | With pride comes only contention, but wisdom is with the well-advised . |
| 13:13 | The one who despises instruction will pay the penalty, but whoever esteems instruction will be rewarded. |
| 13:14 | Instruction from the wise is like a life-giving fountain, to turn a person from deadly snares. |
| 13:18 | The one who neglects discipline ends up in poverty and shame, but the one who accepts reproof is honored. |
| 15:5 | A fool rejects his father's discipline, but whoever heeds reproof shows good sense. |
| 15:31,
32 | The person who hears the reproof that leads to life is at home among the wise. The one who refuses correction despises himself, but whoever hears reproof acquires understanding. |
| 17:10 | A rebuke makes a greater impression on a discerning person than a hundred blows on a fool. |
| 19:20 | Listen to advice and receive discipline, that you may become wise by the end of your life. |
| 19:25 | Flog a scorner, and as a result the simpleton will learn prudence; correct a discerning person, and as a result he will understand knowledge. |
| 23:12 | Apply your heart to instruction and your ears to the words of knowledge. |
| 24:5, 6 | A wise warrior is strong, and a man of knowledge makes his strength stronger; for with guidance you wage your war, and with numerous advisers there is victory. |

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- 25:11, 12 Like apples of gold in settings of silver, so is a word skillfully spoken. Like an earring of gold and an ornament of fine gold, so is a wise reproof to the ear of the one who **listens**.
- 27:6 Faithful are the **wounds** of a friend, but the kisses of an enemy are excessive.
- 27:17 As **iron sharpens iron**, so a person sharpens his friend.
- 29:15 A rod and **reproof** impart wisdom, but a child who is unrestrained brings shame to his mother.

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| 6:34 | Jealousy kindles a husband's rage , and he will not show mercy when he takes revenge. |
| 11:23 | What the righteous desire leads only to good, but what the wicked hope for leads to wrath . |
| 12:16 | A fool's annoyance is known at once, but the prudent overlooks an insult. |
| 14:17 | A person who has a quick temper does foolish things, and a person with crafty schemes is hated. |
| 14:29 | The one who is slow to anger has great understanding, but the one who has a quick temper exalts folly. |
| 14:35 | The king shows favor to a wise servant, but his wrath falls on one who acts shamefully. |
| 15:1 | A gentle response turns away anger , but a harsh word stirs up wrath. |
| 15:18 | A quick-tempered person stirs up dissension, but one who is slow to anger calms a quarrel. |
| 16:14 | A king's wrath is like a messenger of death, but a wise person appeases it. |
| 16:32 | Better to be slow to anger than to be a mighty warrior, and one who controls his temper is better than one who captures a city. |
| 19:3 | A person's folly subverts his way, and his heart rages against the Lord. |
| 19:11 | A person's wisdom makes him slow to anger , and it is his glory to overlook an offense. |
| 19:12 | A king's wrath is like the roar of a lion, but his favor is like dew on the grass. |

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| 19:19 | A person with great anger bears the penalty, but if you deliver him from it once, you will have to do it again. |
| 20:2 | The king's terrifying anger is like the roar of a lion; whoever provokes him sins against himself. |
| 21:14 | A gift given in secret subdues anger , and a bribe given secretly subdues strong wrath. |
| 22:8 | The one who sows iniquity will reap trouble, and the rod of his fury will end. |
| 22:24,
25 | Do not make friends with an angry person, and do not associate with a wrathful person, lest you learn his ways and entangle yourself in a snare. |
| 25:23 | The north wind brings forth rain, and a gossiping tongue brings forth an angry look. |
| 25:28 | Like a city that is broken down and without a wall, so is a person who cannot control his temper . |
| 26:17 | Like one who grabs a wild dog by the ears, so is the person passing by who becomes furious over a quarrel not his own. |
| 26:18,
19 | Like a madman who shoots firebrands and deadly arrows, so is a person who deceives his neighbor, and says, "Was I not only joking?" |
| 27:4 | Wrath is cruel and anger is overwhelming, but who can stand before jealousy? |
| 29:8 | Scornful people inflame a city, but those who are wise turn away wrath. |
| 29:11 | A fool lets fly with all his temper , but a wise person keeps it back. |
| 29:22 | An angry person stirs up dissension, and a wrathful person is abounding in transgression. |

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30:32,
33 If you have done foolishly by exalting yourself or if you have planned evil, put your hand over your mouth! For as the churning of milk produces butter and as punching the nose produces blood, so stirring up **anger** produces strife.

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- 2:1, 2, 5 My child, if you receive my words, and store up my commands within you, by making your ear **attentive** to wisdom, and by turning your heart to understanding, ... then you will understand how to fear the Lord, and you will discover knowledge about God.
- 4:1 Listen, children, to a father's instruction, and **pay attention** so that you may gain discernment.
- 4:10 Listen, my child, and **accept my words**, so that the years of your life will be many.
- 4:20 My child, **pay attention** to my words; listen attentively to my sayings.

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- 5:1, 2 My child, be **attentive** to my wisdom, pay close attention to my understanding, in order to safeguard discretion, and that your lips may guard knowledge.
- 5:7 So now, children, **listen** to me; do not turn aside from the words I speak.
- 7:24 So now, sons, listen to me, and **pay attention** to the words I speak.
- 8:6 **Listen**, for I will speak excellent things, and my lips will utter what is right.
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- 15:31, 32 The person who **hears** the reproof that leads to life is at home among the wise. The one who refuses correction despises himself, but whoever hears reproof acquires understanding.
- 16:9 A person plans his course, but the Lord **directs** his steps.

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- 18:13 The one who gives an answer before he **listens** – that is his folly and his shame.
- 19:20 **Listen** to advice and receive discipline, that you may become wise by the end of your life.
- 19:27 If you stop **listening** to instruction, my child, you will stray from the words of knowledge.
- 20:12 The ear that **hears** and the eye that sees – the Lord has made them both.
- 22:17 Incline your ear and listen to the words of the wise, and **apply** your heart to my instruction.
- 23:12 **Apply** your heart to instruction and your ears to the words of knowledge.
- 23:19 **Listen**, my child, and be wise, and guide your heart on the right way.
- 23:22 **Listen** to your father who begot you, and do not despise your mother when she is old.
- 23:26 Give me your heart, my son, and let your eyes **observe** my ways.
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