

¹لِلإِنْسَانِ تَدَابِيرُ الْقَلْبِ، وَمِنْ الرَّبِّ جَوَابُ اللِّسَانِ. ²كُلُّ طَرُقِ الْإِنْسَانِ تَقِيَّةٌ فِي عَيْنَيْ نَفْسِهِ، وَالرَّبُّ وَارِنُ الْأَرْوَاحِ. ³أَلْقِ عَلَى الرَّبِّ أَعْمَالَكَ فَتُنَبِّتَ أَفْكَارُكَ. ⁴الرَّبُّ صَنَعَ الْكُلَّ لِعَرَضِهِ، وَالسَّرِيرَ أَيْضاً لِيَوْمِ السَّرِّ. ⁵مَكْرَهُهُ الرَّبُّ كُلُّ مُتَسَامِحِ الْقَلْبِ. بَدَأَ لِيَدٍ لَا يَتَبَرَّأُ. ⁶بِالرَّحْمَةِ وَالْحَقِّ يُسْتَرُ الْإِنَّمُ، وَفِي مَخَافَةِ الرَّبِّ الْحَيْدَانُ عَنِ السَّرِّ. ⁷إِذَا أَرَصَبَ الرَّبُّ طَرُقُ إِنْسَانٍ جَعَلَ أَعْدَاءَهُ أَيْضاً يُسَالِمُونَهُ. ⁸الْقَلِيلُ مَعَ الْعَدْلِ خَيْرٌ مِنْ دَخْلِ جَزِيلٍ يَغِيرُ حَقِّ. ⁹قَلْبُ الْإِنْسَانِ يُفَكِّرُ فِي طَرِيقِهِ، وَالرَّبُّ يَهْدِي خَطْوَتَهُ. ¹⁰فِي سَفَتَي الْمَلِكِ وَحْيٌ. فِي الْقَضَاءِ قَمَةٌ لَا يَخُونُ. ¹¹قَبَّانُ الْحَقِّ وَمَوَازِينُهُ لِلرَّبِّ. كُلُّ مَعَايِيرِ الْكَيْسِ عَمَلُهُ. ¹²مَكْرَهُهُ الْمُلُوكُ فِعْلُ السَّرِّ، لِأَنَّ الْكُزْبِيَّ تَبَتْ يَالِيهِ. ¹³مَرْصَاةُ الْمُلُوكِ سَفَتَا حَقٍّ، وَالْمُتَكَلِّمُ بِالْمُسْتَقِيمَاتِ يُحِبُّ. ¹⁴عَصَبُ الْمَلِكِ رُسُلُ الْمَوْتِ، وَالْإِنْسَانُ الْحَكِيمُ يَسْتَعِظُهُ. ¹⁵فِي ثَوْرٍ وَجْهَ الْمَلِكِ حَيَاتٌ، وَرِضَاةُ كَسَّابِ الْقَطْرِ الْمَتَّاعِرِ. ¹⁶قِيَّةُ الْحِكْمَةِ كَمْ هِيَ خَيْرٌ مِنَ الذَّهَبِ، وَقِيَّةُ الْقَهْمِ تُخْتَارُ عَلَى الْفِضَّةِ. ¹⁷مَنْهُجُ الْمُسْتَقِيمِينَ الْحَيْدَانُ عَنِ السَّرِّ. خَافِطُ نَفْسِهِ خَافِطُ طَرِيقِهِ. ¹⁸قَبْلَ الْكُسْرِ الْكِبْرِيَاءُ، وَقَبْلَ السُّقُوطِ تَسَامُحُ الرُّوحِ. ¹⁹تَوَاضَعُ الرُّوحُ مَعَ الْوُدْعَاءِ خَيْرٌ مِنْ قِسْمِ الْعَنِيمَةِ مَعَ الْمُتَكَبِّرِينَ. ²⁰الْقَاطِنُ مِنْ جِهَةٍ أَمْرٌ يَجِدُ خَيْراً، وَمَنْ يَتَّكِلُ عَلَى الرَّبِّ فَطَوَى لَهُ. ²¹حَكِيمُ الْقَلْبِ يَدْعَى قَهِيماً، وَخَلَاوَةُ الشَّهِيَّتَيْنِ تَرِيدُ عِلْماً. ²²الْفُطْنَةُ يَنْبَغُ حَيَاةٍ لِصَاحِبِهَا، وَتَأْدِيبُ الْحَقْمَى حِمَاةً. ²³قَلْبُ الْحَكِيمِ يُرْشِدُ قَمَةً وَيَرِيدُ سَفَتِيهِ عِلْماً. ²⁴الْكَلَامُ الْحَسَنُ شَهِدٌ عَسَلٍ، خُلُوٌ لِلنَّفْسِ وَشِفَاءٌ لِلْعِظَامِ. ²⁵تُوجَدُ طَرِيقُ تَطَهَّرُ لِلْإِنْسَانِ مُسْتَقِيمَةً وَغَافِقَتُهَا طَرُقُ الْمَوْتِ. ²⁶نَفْسُ التَّعَبِ تُعْبِ لُهُ، لِأَنَّ قَمَةً يَجَنُّهُ. ²⁷الرَّجُلُ اللَّيْمُ يَنْبِشُ السَّرَّ، وَعَلَى سَفَتِيهِ كَالنَّارِ الْمُتَقِدَّةِ. ²⁸رَجُلُ الْأَكَاذِبِ يُطْلِقُ الْخُصُومَةَ، وَالنَّمَامُ يَفَرِّقُ الْأَصْدِقَاءَ. ²⁹الرَّجُلُ الظَّالِمُ يُغْوِي صَاحِبَتَهُ وَيَسُوِّفُهُ إِلَى طَرِيقٍ غَيْرِ صَالِحَةٍ. ³⁰مَنْ يَغْمِضُ عَيْنَيْهِ لِيُفَكِّرَ فِي الْأَكَاذِبِ، وَمَنْ يَعْصُ سَفَتِيهِ، فَقَدْ أَكْمَلَ سَرّاً. ³¹تَاجُ جَمَالٍ، شَبِيهُهُ تُوْجَدُ فِي طَرِيقِ الْبِرِّ. ³²الْبَطِيءُ الْعَصَبِ خَيْرٌ مِنَ الْجَبَّارِ، وَمَالِكُ زَوْجِهِ خَيْرٌ مِمَّنْ يَأْخُذُ مَدِينَةً. ³³الْفَرْعَةُ تُلْقَى فِي الْحِصْنِ، وَمِنْ الرَّبِّ كُلُّ حُكْمِهَا.

¹The preparations of the heart in man, and the answer of the tongue, is from the LORD. ²All the ways of a man are clean in his own eyes; but the LORD weigheth the spirits. ³Commit thy works unto the LORD, and thy thoughts shall be established. ⁴The LORD hath made all things for himself: yea, even the wicked for the day of evil. ⁵Every one that is proud in heart is an abomination to the LORD: though hand join in hand, he shall not be unpunished. ⁶By mercy and truth iniquity is purged: and by the fear of the LORD men depart from evil. ⁷When a man's ways please the LORD, he maketh even his enemies to be at peace with him. ⁸Better is a little with righteousness than great revenues without right. ⁹A man's heart deviseth his way: but the LORD directeth his steps. ¹⁰A divine sentence is in the lips of the king: his mouth transgresseth not in judgment. ¹¹A just weight and balance are the LORD's: all the weights of the bag are his work. ¹²It is an abomination to kings to commit wickedness: for the throne is established by righteousness. ¹³Righteous lips are the delight of kings; and they love him that speaketh right. ¹⁴The wrath of a king is as messengers of death: but a wise man will pacify it. ¹⁵In the light of the king's countenance is life; and his favour is as a cloud of the latter rain. ¹⁶How much better is it to get wisdom than gold! and to get understanding rather to be chosen than silver! ¹⁷The highway of the upright is to depart from evil: he that keepeth his way preserveth his soul. ¹⁸Pride goeth before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a

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fall.¹⁹ Better it is to be of an humble spirit with the lowly, than to divide the spoil with the proud.²⁰ He that handleth a matter wisely shall find good: and whoso trusteth in the LORD, happy is he.²¹ The wise in heart shall be called prudent: and the sweetness of the lips increaseth learning.²² Understanding is a wellspring of life unto him that hath it: but the instruction of fools is folly.²³ The heart of the wise teacheth his mouth, and addeth learning to his lips.²⁴ Pleasant words are as an honeycomb, sweet to the soul, and health to the bones.²⁵ There is a way that seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death.²⁶ He that laboureth laboureth for himself; for his mouth craveth it of him.²⁷ An ungodly man diggeth up evil: and in his lips there is as a burning fire.²⁸ A froward man soweth strife: and a whisperer separateth chief friends.²⁹ A violent man enticeth his neighbour, and leadeth him into the way that is not good.³⁰ He shutteth his eyes to devise froward things: moving his lips he bringeth evil to pass.³¹ The hoary head is a crown of glory, if it be found in the way of righteousness.³² He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; and he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city.³³ The lot is cast into the lap; but the whole disposing thereof is of the LORD.