

¹Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise.²The fear of a king is as the roaring of a lion: whoso provoketh him to anger sinneth against his own soul.³It is an honour for a man to cease from strife: but every fool will be meddling.⁴The sluggard will not plow by reason of the cold; therefore shall he beg in harvest, and have nothing.⁵Counsel in the heart of man is like deep water; but a man of understanding will draw it out.⁶Most men will proclaim every one his own goodness: but a faithful man who can find?⁷The just man walketh in his integrity: his children are blessed after him.⁸A king that sitteth in the throne of judgment scattereth away all evil with his eyes.⁹Who can say, I have made my heart clean, I am pure from my sin?¹⁰Divers weights, and divers measures, both of them are alike abomination to the LORD.¹¹Even a child is known by his doings, whether his work be pure, and whether it be right.¹²The hearing ear, and the seeing eye, the LORD hath made even both of them.¹³Love not sleep, lest thou come to poverty; open thine eyes, and thou shalt be satisfied with bread.¹⁴It is naught, it is naught, saith the buyer: but when he is gone his way, then he boasteth.¹⁵There is gold, and a multitude of rubies: but the lips of knowledge are a precious jewel.¹⁶Take his garment that is surety for a stranger: and take a pledge of him for a strange woman.¹⁷Bread of deceit is sweet to a man; but afterwards his mouth shall be filled with gravel.¹⁸Every purpose is established by counsel: and with good

¹الْخَمْرُ مُسْتَهْزِئَةٌ. الْمُسْكِرُ عَجَاجٌ، وَمَنْ يَتَرَبَّحْ بِهِمَا فَلَيْسَ بِحَكِيمٍ.²رُعْبُ الْمَلِكِ كَرَمَحْرَةِ الْأَسَدِ. الَّذِي يُغِيظُهُ يُخْطِئُ إِلَى نَفْسِهِ.³مَجْدُ الرَّجُلِ أَنْ يَتَّعِدَ عَنِ الْخِصَامِ، وَكُلُّ أَحْمَقٍ يَتَارَعُ. الْكَسْلَانُ لَا يَحْرُثُ بِسَبَبِ الشِّتَاءِ، فَيَسْتَطْعِبُ فِي الْحَصَادِ وَلَا يُعْطَى.⁴الْمَشُورَةُ فِي قَلْبِ الرَّجُلِ مِثْلُ مِيَاهٍ غَمِيقَةٍ، وَذُو الْفِطْنَةِ يَسْتَقِيهَا.⁵أَكْثَرُ النَّاسِ يُبَادُونَ كُلَّ وَاحِدٍ بِصُلَاحِهِ، أَمَّا الرَّجُلُ الْأَمِينُ فَمَنْ يَجِدُهُ. الصَّدِيقُ يَسْلُكُ بِكَمَالِهِ. طُوبَى لِنَبِيهِ بَعْدَهُ.⁶الْمَلِكُ الْجَالِسُ عَلَى كُرْسِيِّ الْقَضَاءِ يُدْرِي بِعَيْنِهِ كُلَّ شَرٍّ. مَنْ يَقُولُ، إِنِّي رَكَّيْتُ قَلْبِي، تَطَهَّرْتُ مِنْ خَطِيئَتِي. مِغْيَارٌ قَمِيغَارٌ، مِكْيَالٌ قَمِيكَالٌ، كِلَاهُمَا مَكْرُهُهُ عِنْدَ الرَّبِّ.⁷الْوَلَدُ أَيْضًا يُعْرِفُ بِأَفْعَالِهِ، هَلْ عَمَلُهُ تَقِيٌّ وَمُسْتَقِيمٌ.⁸الْأَذُنُ السَّامِعَةُ وَالْعَيْنُ الْبَاصِرَةُ، الرَّبُّ صَنَعَهُمَا كِلَيْتَهُمَا. لَا تُحِبِّ النَّوْمَ لِئَلَّا تَفْتَقِرَ. افْتَحْ عَيْنَيْكَ تَسْمَعْ خَبْرًا. رَدِيءٌ رَدِيءٌ يَقُولُ الْمُسْتَشْرِى، وَإِذَا ذَهَبَ فَحَبِيئٌ يَفْجُرُ.⁹يُوجَدُ ذَهَبٌ وَكَثْرُهُ لَائِي، أَمَّا شِفَاهُ الْمَعْرِفَةِ فَمَتَاعٌ تَمِينٌ.¹⁰خُذْ تَوْبَةً لِأَنَّهُ صَمِنَ غَرِيبًا، وَلَاجِلِ الْأَجَائِبِ ارْتَهَنُ مِنْهُ.¹¹خُبْرُ الْكَذِبِ لَذِيذٌ لِلْإِنْسَانِ، وَمَنْ بَعْدَ يَمْلِكُ قَمُهُ حَصَى.¹²الْمَقَاصِدُ تَثْبُتُ بِالْمَشُورَةِ، وَبِالذِّبَابِ أَعْمَلُ حَرْبًا.¹³السَّاعِي بِالْوَسَايَةِ يُفْشِي السِّرَّ، فَلَا تُخَالِطِ الْمُفْتَحَ شَفِيئِهِ.¹⁴مَنْ سَبَّ أَبَاهُ أَوْ أُمَّهُ يَنْطَلِفُ سِرَاجُهُ فِي حَذَقَةِ الظَّلَامِ.¹⁵رَبُّ مُلْكٍ مُعْجَلٍ فِي أَوَّلِهِ، أَمَّا آخِرَتُهُ فَلَا تُبَارَكُ.¹⁶لَا تَقُلْ، إِنِّي أَجَارِي شَرًّا. انْطَرِ الرَّبَّ فَيُخَلِّصَكَ.¹⁷مِغْيَارٌ قَمِيغَارٌ مَكْرُهُهُ الرَّبُّ، وَمَوَازِينُ الْغِشِّ غَيْرُ صَالِحَةٍ.¹⁸مَنْ الرَّبِّ حَطَوَاتُ الرَّجُلِ. أَمَّا الْإِنْسَانُ فَكَيْفَ يَفْهَمُ طَرِيقَهُ؟ هُوَ شَرَكٌ لِلْإِنْسَانِ أَنْ يَلْعُوَ قَائِلًا، مُقَدَّسٌ. وَبَعْدَ التَّذَرُّرِ أَنْ يَسْأَلَ.¹⁹الْمَلِكُ الْحَكِيمُ يُسَنِّتُ الْأَسْرَارَ، وَيَبْزُدُ عَلَيْهِمُ التَّوَجُّعُ.²⁰نَفْسُ الْإِنْسَانِ سِرَاجُ الرَّبِّ، يُقْنَسُ كُلُّ مَخَادِعِ الْبَطْنِ.²¹الرَّحْمَةُ وَالْحَقُّ يَحْفَظَانِ الْمَلِكَ، وَكُرْسِيُّهُ يُسَنَّدُ بِالرَّحْمَةِ.²²فَحْرُ الشَّبَّانِ قُوَّتُهُمْ، وَنَهَاءُ الشُّبُوحِ الشَّيْبُ.²³خُبْرُ جُرْحٍ مُتَقِيَةٌ لِلشَّرِّ، وَصَرَبَاتٌ بِالْعَةِ مَخَادِعُ الْبَطْنِ.

advice make war.¹⁹ He that goeth about as a talebearer revealeth secrets: therefore meddle not with him that flattereth with his lips.²⁰ Whoso curseth his father or his mother, his lamp shall be put out in obscure darkness.²¹ An inheritance may be gotten hastily at the beginning; but the end thereof shall not be blessed.²² Say not thou, I will recompense evil; but wait on the LORD, and he shall save thee.²³ Divers weights are an abomination unto the LORD; and a false balance is not good.²⁴ Man's goings are of the LORD; how can a man then understand his own way?²⁵ It is a snare to the man who devoureth that which is holy, and after vows to make enquiry.²⁶ A wise king scattereth the wicked, and bringeth the wheel over them.²⁷ The spirit of man is the candle of the LORD, searching all the inward parts of the belly.²⁸ Mercy and truth preserve the king: and his throne is upholden by mercy.²⁹ The glory of young men is their strength: and the beauty of old men is the gray head.³⁰ The blueness of a wound cleanseth away evil: so do stripes the inward parts of the belly.