

<sup>1</sup>A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches, and loving favour rather than silver and gold.<sup>2</sup>The rich and poor meet together: the LORD is the maker of them all.<sup>3</sup>A prudent man foreseeth the evil, and hideth himself: but the simple pass on, and are punished.<sup>4</sup>By humility and the fear of the LORD are riches, and honour, and life.<sup>5</sup>Thorns and snares are in the way of the froward: he that doth keep his soul shall be far from them.<sup>6</sup>Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.<sup>7</sup>The rich ruleth over the poor, and the borrower is servant to the lender.<sup>8</sup>He that soweth iniquity shall reap vanity: and the rod of his anger shall fail.<sup>9</sup>He that hath a bountiful eye shall be blessed; for he giveth of his bread to the poor.<sup>10</sup>Cast out the scorner, and contention shall go out; yea, strife and reproach shall cease.<sup>11</sup>He that loveth pureness of heart, for the grace of his lips the king shall be his friend.<sup>12</sup>The eyes of the LORD preserve knowledge, and he overthroweth the words of the transgressor.<sup>13</sup>The slothful man saith, There is a lion without, I shall be slain in the streets.<sup>14</sup>The mouth of strange women is a deep pit: he that is abhorred of the LORD shall fall therein.<sup>15</sup>Foolishness is bound in the heart of a child; but the rod of correction shall drive it far from him.<sup>16</sup>He that oppresseth the poor to increase his riches, and he that giveth to the rich, shall surely come to want.<sup>17</sup>Bow down thine ear, and hear the words of the wise, and apply thine heart unto my knowledge.<sup>18</sup>For it is a pleasant thing if thou keep them within thee; they

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shall withal be fitted in thy lips.<sup>19</sup> That thy trust may be in the LORD, I have made known to thee this day, even to thee.<sup>20</sup> Have not I written to thee excellent things in counsels and knowledge,<sup>21</sup> That I might make thee know the certainty of the words of truth; that thou mightest answer the words of truth to them that send unto thee?<sup>22</sup> Rob not the poor, because he is poor: neither oppress the afflicted in the gate.<sup>23</sup> For the LORD will plead their cause, and spoil the soul of those that spoiled them.<sup>24</sup> Make no friendship with an angry man; and with a furious man thou shalt not go:<sup>25</sup> Lest thou learn his ways, and get a snare to thy soul.<sup>26</sup> Be not thou one of them that strike hands, or of them that are sureties for debts.<sup>27</sup> If thou hast nothing to pay, why should he take away thy bed from under thee?<sup>28</sup> Remove not the ancient landmark, which thy fathers have set.<sup>29</sup> Seest thou a man diligent in his business? he shall stand before kings; he shall not stand before mean men .