

¹He, that being often reprov'd hardeneth his neck, shall suddenly be destroyed, and that without remedy. ²When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice: but when the wicked beareth rule, the people mourn. ³Whoso loveth wisdom rejoiceth his father: but he that keepeth company with harlots spendeth his substance. ⁴The king by judgment establisheth the land: but he that receiveth gifts overthroweth it. ⁵A man that flattereth his neighbour spreadeth a net for his feet. ⁶In the transgression of an evil man there is a snare: but the righteous doth sing and rejoice. ⁷The righteous considereth the cause of the poor: but the wicked regardeth not to know it. ⁸Scornful men bring a city into a snare: but wise men turn away wrath. ⁹If a wise man contendeth with a foolish man, whether he rage or laugh, there is no rest. ¹⁰The bloodthirsty hate the upright: but the just seek his soul. ¹¹A fool uttereth all his mind: but a wise man keepeth it in till afterwards. ¹²If a ruler hearken to lies, all his servants are wicked. ¹³The poor and the deceitful man meet together: the LORD lighteneth both their eyes. ¹⁴The king that faithfully judgeth the poor, his throne shall be established for ever. ¹⁵The rod and reproof give wisdom: but a child left to himself bringeth his mother to shame. ¹⁶When the wicked are multiplied, transgression increaseth: but the righteous shall see their fall. ¹⁷Correct thy son, and he shall give thee rest; yea, he shall give delight unto thy soul. ¹⁸Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy is he. ¹⁹A

servant will not be corrected by words: for though he understand he will not answer.²⁰ Seest thou a man that is hasty in his words? there is more hope of a fool than of him.²¹ He that delicately bringeth up his servant from a child shall have him become his son at the length.²² An angry man stirreth up strife, and a furious man aboundeth in transgression.²³ A man's pride shall bring him low: but honour shall uphold the humble in spirit.²⁴ Whoso is partner with a thief hateth his own soul: he heareth cursing, and bewrayeth it not.²⁵ The fear of man bringeth a snare: but whoso putteth his trust in the LORD shall be safe.²⁶ Many seek the ruler's favour; but every man's judgment cometh from the LORD.²⁷ An unjust man is an abomination to the just: and he that is upright in the way is abomination to the wicked.