



The Proverbs of Solomon

Chapter 10



Call to the Word

Psa 119:41-48



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Let Your mercies come also to me, O LORD—Your salvation according to Your word. So shall I have an answer for him who reproaches me, For I trust in Your word.



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Psa 119:41-48

And take not the word of truth
utterly out of my mouth, For I have
hoped in Your ordinances. So shall I
keep Your law continually, Forever
and ever. And I will walk at liberty,
For I seek Your precepts.



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Psa 119:41-48

I will speak of Your testimonies also
before kings And will not be
ashamed. And I will delight myself in
Your commandments, Which I love.
My hands also I will lift up to Your
commandments, Which I love, And I
will meditate on Your statutes.



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This is classic Hebrew poetry. For they found beauty in the ideas and the thoughts that were expressed rather than in the rhyme or the rhythm.

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Pro 10:1-32



**Proverbs
10:1-2**

A wise son makes a father glad, But a foolish [*stubborn*] son [*who refuses to learn*] is a grief to his mother. Treasures of wickedness *and* ill-gotten gains do not profit, But righteousness *and* moral integrity in daily life rescues from death.



Proverbs
10:3

The LORD will not allow the righteous to hunger [*God will meet all his needs*], But He will reject *and* cast away the craving of the wicked.

Psa 37:25
Php 4:19

“If you are a child of God you will never need to beg for food.”



Proverbs
10:4

Poor is he who works with a negligent *and* idle hand, But the hand of the diligent makes *him* rich.

“Poverty by itself is not evil, unless it is the product of laziness.”



**Proverbs
10:5**

He who gathers during summer *and* takes advantage of his opportunities is a son who acts wisely, *But* he who sleeps during harvest *and* ignores the moment of opportunity is a son who acts shamefully.

Pro 28:19



**Proverbs
10:6-7**

Blessings are on the head of the righteous [*the upright, those in right standing with God*], But the mouth of the wicked conceals violence. The memory of the righteous [*person*] is a [*source of*] blessing, But the name of the wicked will [*be forgotten and*] rot [*like a corpse*].



**Proverbs
10:8-9**

The wise in heart [*are willing to learn so they*] will accept *and* obey commands (instruction), But the babbling fool [*who is arrogant and thinks himself wise*] will come to ruin. He who walks in integrity *and* with moral character walks securely, But he who takes a crooked way will be discovered *and* punished.

Pro 20:7



**Proverbs
10:10-11**

He who [*maliciously*] winks the eye [*of evil intent*] causes trouble; And the babbling fool [*who is arrogant and thinks himself wise*] will come to ruin. The mouth of the righteous is a fountain of life *and* his words of wisdom are a source of blessing, But the mouth of the wicked conceals violence *and* evil.

Pro 18:21



**Proverbs
10:12**

**Hatred stirs up strife, But love covers
and overwhelms all transgressions
[forgiving and overlooking another's
*faults].***

1Pe 4:8



**Proverbs
10:13-14**

On the lips of the discerning, [*skillful and godly*] wisdom is found, But discipline *and* the rod are for the back of the one who is without common sense *and* understanding. Wise men store up *and* treasure knowledge [*in mind and heart*], But with the mouth of the foolish, ruin is at hand.

Jas 1:26



**Proverbs
10:15-16**

**The rich man's wealth is his fortress;
The ruin of the poor is their poverty.
The wages of the righteous [*the upright, those in right standing with God*] is [*a worthwhile, meaningful*] life, The income of the wicked, punishment.**

Jas 1:26



**Proverbs
10:15-16**

“This is a plain recognition of the power of wealth, and the paralysis of poverty.” (Morgan)



**Proverbs
10:15-16**

The wages of the righteous [*the upright, those in right standing with God*] is [*a worthwhile, meaningful*] life, The income of the wicked, punishment.

1Ti 6:10



**Proverbs
10:17**

He who learns from instruction *and* correction is on the [*right*] path of life [*and for others his example is a path toward wisdom and blessing*], But he who ignores *and* refuses correction goes off course [*and for others his example is a path toward sin and ruin*].

Pro 13:18

“It’s what you learn after you know it all that counts.”

- John Wooden



**Proverbs
10:18-19**

He who hides hatred has lying lips, And he who spreads slander is a fool. When there are many words, transgression *and* offense are unavoidable, But he who controls his lips *and* keeps thoughtful silence is wise.

Better to keep your mouth shut and let people think you're a fool, rather than to open it and remove all doubt.



**Proverbs
10:20-22**

The tongue of the righteous is like precious silver (greatly valued); The heart of the wicked is worth little. The lips of the righteous feed *and* guide many, But fools [*who reject God and His wisdom*] die for lack of understanding. The blessing of the LORD brings [*true*] riches, And He adds no sorrow to it [*for it comes as a blessing from God*].



**Proverbs
10:20-22**

“Those three vultures shall be driven away that constantly feed on the wealthy worldling’s heart - care in getting, fear in keeping, grief in losing the things of this life. God giveth to his, wealth without woe, store without sore, gold without guilt.” (Trapp)



**Proverbs
10:23-25**

Engaging in evil is like sport to the fool [*who refuses wisdom and chases sin*], But to a man of understanding [*skillful and godly*] wisdom *brings joy*. What the wicked fears will come upon him, But the desire of the righteous [*for the blessings of God*] will be granted. When the whirlwind passes, the wicked is no more, But the righteous has an everlasting foundation.



**Proverbs
10:26-28**

Like vinegar to the teeth and smoke to the eyes, So is the lazy one to those who send him *to work*. The [*reverent*] fear of the LORD [*worshiping, obeying, serving, and trusting Him with awe-filled respect*] prolongs one's life, But the years of the wicked will be shortened. The hope of the righteous [*those of honorable character and integrity*] is joy, But the expectation of the wicked [*those who oppose God and ignore His wisdom*] comes to nothing.



**Proverbs
10:26-28**

“As Esau came from hunting, with his head full of hopes, but went away with his heart full of blanks, and his face full of blushing.” (Trapp)



**Proverbs
10:29-30**

The way of the LORD is a stronghold to the upright, But it is ruin to those who do evil. The [*consistently*] righteous will never be shaken, But the wicked will not inhabit the earth.

Ps 37:9-11



**Proverbs
10:29-30**

The mouth of the righteous flows with [*skillful and godly*] wisdom, But the perverted tongue will be cut out. The lips of the righteous know (speak) what is acceptable, But the mouth of the wicked knows (speaks) what is perverted (twisted).

Kind words do not cost much. Yet they accomplish much. (Pascal)



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