



The Proverbs of Solomon

Righteousness vs Wickedness

Prv 11:9-19

Call to the Word

Psalm 119:65-72

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**You have dealt well with Your servant, O LORD,
according to Your word.
Teach me good judgment and knowledge, For I believe
Your commandments.**

(Ps 119:65-66)



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Before I was afflicted I went astray,
But now I keep Your word.

You *are* good, and do good; Teach me Your statutes.

The proud have forged a lie against me,
But I will keep Your precepts with *my* whole heart.

(Ps 119:67-69)



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**Their heart is as fat as grease,
But I delight in Your law.**

***It is good for me that I have been afflicted,
That I may learn Your statutes.***

**The law of Your mouth *is* better to me
Than thousands of *coins of* gold and silver**

(Ps 119:70-72)



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Proverbs gives us instructions on how to live life insightfully and navigate it with skill. It does so by helping us apply the Word of God to practical situation & circumstances.



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The foundational principle is that the right life is not merely a moral life, but the life that is lived toward God.



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*Contrasting
Righteousness and
Wickedness*

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One of the identifying marks of the hypocrite is that they destroy people with their words.

- in contrast -

Sincere love looks to build others up, not to destroy them.

*The whole city celebrates when the godly succeed;
they shout for joy when the wicked die. (NLT)*

Upright citizens are good for a city and make it prosper,
but the *talk* of the wicked tears it apart.

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Prv 11:11

Men and women of wisdom (understanding) recognize there is a time and place to hold back one's outrage. They know when love and respect should compel them to hold their peace.

Deut 32:35

Rom 12:19-20

There is no such thing as an idle rumor.

When you speak against someone, it comes to life and takes on a life of its own. That is why the wise person chooses to let the rumor die with him rather than continue to give it life by passing it along.

*“One special thing the primitive Christians prayed for the emperor was, that God would send him **Senatum fidelem**, a faithful council.” (Trapp)*

*Whoever makes deals with strangers
is sure to get burned;
if you keep a cool head,
you'll avoid rash bargains. (MSG)*

Biblically, a gracious woman one who by her meekness, and modesty, and prudence, and other virtues, renders herself amiable to God and to men.

***Merciful:** one who shows active
compassion to friend and foe alike.*

Luk 6:35-36

Matt 5:3-7

Rom 2:4-6

Go out into the world uncorrupted, a breath of fresh air in this squalid and polluted society. Provide people with a glimpse of good living and of the living God. Carry the light-giving Message into the night.

Php 2:15 (MSG)



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