

Contrast the Upright and the Wicked

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A ^awise son *accepts his father's* discipline,
But a ^bscoffer does not listen to rebuke.
2 From the fruit of a man's mouth he ¹^aenjoys good,
But the ²desire of the treacherous is ^bviolence.
3 The one who ^aguards his mouth preserves his life;
The one who ^bopens wide his lips ¹comes to ruin.
4 The soul of the sluggard craves and *gets* nothing,
But the soul of the diligent is made fat.
5 A righteous man ^ahates falsehood,
But a wicked man ¹^bacts disgustingly and shamefully.
6 Righteousness ^aguards the ¹one whose way is blameless,
But wickedness subverts the ²sinner.
7 There is one who ^apretends to be rich, but has nothing;
Another ¹pretends to be ^bpoor, but has great wealth.
8 The ransom of a man's life is his riches,
But the poor hears no rebuke.
9 The ^alight of the righteous ¹rejoices,
But the ^blamp of the wicked goes out.
10 Through presumption ¹comes nothing but strife,
But with those who receive counsel is wisdom.
11 Wealth *obtained* by ¹fraud dwindles,
But the one who gathers ²by labor increases *it*.
12 Hope deferred makes the heart sick,
But desire ¹fulfilled is a tree of life.
13 The one who ^adespises the word will be ¹in debt to it,
But the one who fears the commandment will be ^brewarded.
14 The ¹teaching of the wise is a ^afountain of life,
To turn aside from the ^bsnare of death.
15 ^aGood understanding produces favor,
But the way of the treacherous is hard.
16 Every ^aprudent man acts with knowledge,
But a fool ¹displays folly.
17 A wicked messenger falls into adversity,
But ^aa faithful envoy *brings* healing.
18 Poverty and shame *will come* to him who ^aneglects ¹discipline,
But he who regards reproof will be honored.
19 Desire realized is sweet to the soul,
But it is an abomination to fools to depart from evil.
20 ^aHe who walks with wise men will be wise,
But the companion of fools will suffer harm.
21 ^aAdversity pursues sinners,
But the ^brighteous will be rewarded with prosperity.
22 A good man ^aleaves an inheritance to his ¹children's children,

And the ^bwealth of the sinner is stored up for the righteous.
23 ^aAbundant food *is in* the fallow ground of the poor,
But ¹it is swept away by injustice.
24 He who ^as pares his rod hates his son,
But he who loves him ¹ ^bdisciplines him diligently.
25 The ^arighteous ¹ has enough to satisfy his appetite,
But the stomach of the ^bwicked is in want.
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^a Prov. 10:1; 15:20

^b Prov. 9:7, 8; 15:12

¹ Lit., *eats*

^a Prov. 12:14

² Lit., *soul*

^b Prov. 1:31; Hos. 10:13

^a Prov. 18:21; 21:23; James 3:2

^b Prov. 18:7; 20:19

¹ Lit., *ruin is his*

^a Col. 3:9

¹ Lit., *causes a bad odor and causes shame*

^b Prov. 3:35

^a Prov. 11:3

¹ Lit., *blamelessness of way*

² Lit., *sin*

^a Prov. 11:24; Luke 12:20, 21

¹ Lit., *impov>QHerishes himself*

^b Luke 12:33; 2 Cor. 6:10; James 2:5

^a Job 29:3; Prov. 4:18

¹ I.e., *shines brightly*

^b Job 18:5; Prov. 24:20

¹ Lit., *gives*

¹ Lit., *vanity*

² Or, *gradually*; lit., *on the hand*

¹ Lit., *coming*

^a Num. 15:31; 2 Chr. 36:16

¹ Lit., *pledged to it*

^b Prov. 13:21

¹ Or, *law*

^a Prov. 10:11; 14:27

^b Ps. 18:5

^a Ps. 111:10; Prov. 3:4

^a Prov. 12:23

¹ Lit., *spreads out*

^a Prov. 25:13

^a Prov. 15:5, 32

¹ Or, *instruction*

^a Prov. 2:20; 15:31

^a Ps. 32:10; 54:5; Is. 47:11

^b Prov. 11:31; 13:13; Is. 3:10

^a Ezra 9:12; Ps. 37:25

¹ Lit., *sons' sons*

^b Job 27:16, 17; Prov. 28:8; Eccl. 2:26

^a Prov. 12:11

¹ Lit., *there is what is swept*

^a Prov. 19:18; 22:15; 23:13, 14; 29:15, 17

¹ Lit., *seeks him diligently with discipline*

^b Deut. 8:5; Prov. 3:12; Heb. 12:7

^a Ps. 34:10; 103:5; 132:15; Prov. 10:3

¹ Lit., *eats to the satisfaction of his soul*

^b Prov. 13:18; Luke 15:14

ⁱ*The New American Standard Bible*, (La Habra, California: The Lockman Foundation) 1977.