

THE BOOK OF PROVERBS

THE WISDOM OF GOD

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INTRODUCTION

to the text

Proverbs 10:1-32

It's Been Said That;
"The Choices You Make in Life, Make the Life You Choose."

Here In this Tenth Chapter,

Verse 1

Proverbs 10:1

The proverbs of Solomon:

A wise son makes a glad father,
But a foolish son *is* the grief of his mother.

(FATHERS ARE PROUD OF THEIR CHILDREN !!!)

BUT

(A WAYWARD CHILD "HURTS MORE" HIS MOTHER)

Verse 2-4

Proverbs 10:2-4

Treasures of wickedness profit nothing,
But righteousness delivers from death.

*(Because they are not really treasures at all.
because they are gotten by deceit)*

³ The LORD will not allow the righteous soul to famish,
But He casts away the desire of the wicked.

(But at times it feels like it)

⁴ He who has a slack hand becomes poor,
But the hand of the diligent makes rich.

(They never reach the place of satisfaction)

Verse 5

He who gathers in summer *is* a wise son;
He who sleeps in harvest *is* a son who causes shame.

(Thinks ahead, preparing for what could be)

IT'S TRUE PHYSICALLY AND IT'S TRUE SPIRITUALLY

2 Corinthians 5:9-10

Therefore we make it our aim, whether present or absent, to be well pleasing to Him. ¹⁰
For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive
the things *done* in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.

Proverbs 29:18

Where there is no vision, the people perish. - the son is to be learning how to provide.
when a son does know how to provide, he will bring embarrassment to his family.

1 Timothy 5:8

But if anyone does not provide for his own, and especially for those of his household,
he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.

**I watch men who once professed Christ as lord and savior, but as time went on,
they never really were of the family of God. They abandon their families and
indulge themselves as they have returned to where their heart had always been,
in the world of the world.**

Verse 6-8

Proverbs 10:6-8

Blessings *are* on the head of the righteous,
But violence covers the mouth of the wicked. ⁷ The memory of the righteous *is* blessed,
But the name of the wicked will rot. ⁸ The wise in heart will receive commands, But a
prating fool will fall.

Prating = (saphah, *saw-faw'*; or (in dual and plural) tR₁pR₂C sepheth, *sef-eth'*;

to be living on the edge with lifestyle, words. to dwell on the bank, or the border, to dwell on the brink,
edge, of a cliff.)

Verse 9

Proverbs 10:9

He who walks with integrity walks securely,
But he who perverts his ways will become known.
(a reputation is better than gold)

Verse 10

Proverbs 10:10

He who *winks with the eye* causes trouble,
But a prating fool will fall.

winks = (*kaw-rats'*; to pinch or to squeeze off a piece of clay. to chip away pieces of a
stone. flirtation implied, to bite the lips, blink the eyes (as a gesture of seduction or
malice)

Verse 11

Proverbs 10:11

The mouth of the righteous *is* a well of life,

Think about those who have changed history. think about those who have influenced
humanity for the better. The words of _____. Ultimately = no one has affected
humanity greater than the words of Jesus Christ.

Luke 6:44-45

For every tree is known by its own fruit. For *men* do not gather figs from thorns, nor do they gather grapes from a bramble bush. ⁴⁵ A good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth good; and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart brings forth evil. For out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks.

Verse 11

But violence covers (veils, cloaks) the mouth of the wicked.

Verse 12

Proverbs 10:12

Hatred stirs up strife, But love **covers** all sin.

covers = (*kaw-saw* to repair a garment. to patch a whole. to make a rough area smooth again) all sins. = a mature Christian is a rare and wonderful asset to any church. they don't panic over another man's sin. they work with him, instruct him, teach him, disciple him. why do so many people think that discipleship is for the up and coming preacher to be? - that's wrong!

1 Peter 4:8

And above all things have fervent love for one another,
for "love will cover a multitude of sins."

Verse 13

Proverbs 10:13

Wisdom is found on the lips of him who has understanding,
But a rod *is* for the back of him who is devoid of understanding.

**(It's not that he can't learn and develop,
IT'S THAT HE REFUSES TO LEARN AND TO DEVELOP.)**

Verse 14

Proverbs 10:14

Wise *people* **store** up knowledge,

Store up = to lay it down, layer upon layer until a foundation is built

Verse 14

But the mouth of the foolish *is* near destruction.

James 3:1-8

Dear brothers and sisters, not many of you should become teachers in the church, for we who teach will be judged by God with greater strictness. ² We all make many mistakes, but those who control their tongues can also control themselves in every other way. ³ We can make a large horse turn around and go wherever we want by means of a small bit in its mouth. ⁴ And a tiny rudder makes a huge ship turn wherever the pilot wants it to go, even though the winds are strong. ⁵ So also, the tongue is a small thing, but what enormous damage it can do. A tiny spark can set a great forest on fire. ⁶ And the tongue is a flame of fire. It is full of wickedness that can ruin your whole life. It can turn the entire course of your life into a blazing flame of destruction, for it is set on fire by hell itself. ⁷ People can tame all kinds of animals and birds and reptiles and fish, ⁸ but no one can tame the tongue. It is an uncontrollable evil, full of deadly poison.

Verse 15-16

Proverbs 10:15-16

The rich man's wealth *is* his strong city;
The destruction of the poor *is* their poverty. ¹⁶ The labor of the righteous *leads* to life
(enhances, makes better use of their money)

Verse 16

The wages of the wicked to sin

They spend money on things that evaporate. sinful spending is like throwing money away (GAMBLING IS FOR THE STUPID = THE MONEY WAS NEVER YOURS TO BEGIN WITH AND IN THE END YOU WILL BE CALLED BY GOD TO BALANCE YOUR BOOKS)

Verse 17

Proverbs 10:17

He who keeps instruction *is in* the way of life,
But he who refuses correction goes astray.
(I HATE YOU PASTOR - I'M GOING TO LAS VEGAS)

Verse 18-19

Prov. 10:18-19

Whoever hides hatred *has* lying lips,
And whoever spreads slander *is* a fool. ¹⁹ In the multitude of words sin is not lacking,
But he who restrains his lips *is* wise.

Verse 20-21

Proverbs 10:20-21

The tongue of the righteous *is* choice silver; The heart of the wicked *is worth* little. ²¹
The lips of the righteous feed many, but fools die for lack of wisdom.

GODLY PEOPLE GIVE LIFE-SAVING ADVISE) = THE GIFT OF WISDOM

1 Corinthians 12:7-8

But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit of *all*: ⁸ for to one is given the word of wisdom through the Holy Spirit, to another the word of knowledge through the same Holy Spirit,

Verse 20-21

Proverbs 10:22

The blessing of the LORD makes *one* rich,
And He adds no sorrow with it.

THERE IS THIS UNHEALTHY, WOES IS ME VIEW OF SELF. I COULD NEVER HAVE A GOOD LIFE...)

Verse 23-25

Proverbs 10:23

To do evil *is* like sport to a fool,
But a man of understanding has wisdom. ²⁴ The fear of the wicked will come upon him,
And the desire of the righteous will be granted. ²⁵ When the whirlwind passes by, the wicked *is no more*, But the righteous *has* an everlasting foundation.

(HIS FOUNDATION IS EVERLASTING BECAUSE HIS FOUNDATION IS NOT BUILT WITH EARTHLY MATERIALS)

Verse 26

Proverbs 10:26

As vinegar to the teeth and smoke to the eyes,
So *is* the lazy *man* to those who send him.

Proverbs 10:26

Lazy people are a pain to their employer.
They are like smoke in the eyes or vinegar that sets the teeth on edge.

Verse 27-28

Proverbs 10:27-28

The fear of the LORD prolongs (lengthens, adds to, stretches out) days, But the years of the wicked will be shortened. ²⁸ The hope of the righteous *will be* gladness,

(THE RIGHTEOUSE HOPE IN GOD - THAT'S WHY THEY'RE HAPPY PEOPLE)

Verse 27-28

But the expectation of the wicked will perish.

Verse 29

Proverbs 10:29

The way of the LORD *is* strength for the upright,
But destruction *will come* to the workers of iniquity.

(BECAUSE WHAT THEY BUILD CAN'T LAST. IT IS SWALLOWED UP BY THE SANDS OF TIME)

Verse 30-32

Proverbs 10:30-32

The righteous *will never be removed*,
But the wicked *will not inhabit the earth*. ³¹ The mouth of the righteous brings forth wisdom, But the perverse tongue *will be cut out*. ³² The lips of the righteous know what is acceptable, But the mouth of the wicked - *what is perverse*.

Proverbs 10:32

The godly speak words that are helpful,
but the wicked speak only what is corrupt.

(SPEAK WORDS THAT HELP)

(INSTEAD - THEY MAKE FUN OF THE VERY SAME SITUATION)