



THE WISDOM OF PROVERBS





TO UNDERSTAND A PROVERB

“To understand a proverb, and the interpretation; the words of the wise, and their dark sayings.” - Proverbs 1:6

CLASS ONE

PROVERBS 1:1-7





WISDOM SPEAKS - TRUTH CORPS



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WISDOM'S CRY - PROVERBS FOR SOLOMON



RIDDLES OF THE WISE - PROVERBS OF SOLOMON



WRITING ON THE HEART-HEZEKIAH'S PROVERBS



THE WISDOM OF GOD



HOW THE KINGDOM CAME



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Proverbs emphasizes - perhaps more than any other book of Scripture - the vital truth that the gospel of salvation is a *way of life*. It concerns and must control all activities of the mind and body, if it is to mean anything.

GILBERT V. GROWCOTT



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The Book of Proverbs will not allow us to linger in the land of the theoretical. Our greatest failing is not that we know too little (while this is often regrettably true), but that we fail to do what we know we should. The emphasis of Proverbs is both on the acquisition of wisdom and the application of it.

Proverbs forces the reader to translate principles into practice.

ROBERT B. DEFFINGBAUGH



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FRAMEWORK FOR THE TEXT

Ecc1 12:9 And moreover, because the preacher was wise, he still taught the people knowledge; yea, he gave good heed, and sought out, *and* set in order many proverbs.

“arrange” – SH8626



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TIPS FOR READING PROVERBS

USE A KEY-LETTER SUBJECT CODE

ASK "WHAT DOES THIS REMIND ME OF?"

DO THE 31 DAY PROVERBS CHALLENGE

START WITH A PRAYER FOR WISDOM



MODERN SAYINGS FROM PROVERBS



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Proverbs 22:8 He that soweth iniquity shall
reap vanity

You'll reap what you sow!



MODERN SAYINGS FROM PROVERBS

Proverbs 25:17 Withdraw thy foot from thy neighbour's house; lest he be weary of thee

Don't wear out your welcome



MODERN SAYINGS FROM PROVERBS

Proverbs 16:18 Pride goeth before destruction,
and an haughty spirit before a fall.

Pride goes before a fall



MODERN SAYINGS FROM PROVERBS

Proverbs 13:24 He that spareth his rod hateth his son: but he that loveth him chasteneth him betimes.

Spare the rod, spoil the child



MODERN SAYINGS FROM PROVERBS

Proverbs 17:28 Even a fool, when he holdeth his peace, is counted wise: and he that shutteth his lips is esteemed a man of understanding.

Better to remain silent and be thought a fool than to open your mouth and remove all doubt



MODERN SAYINGS FROM PROVERBS

Modern Saying

Proverbs Reference

A bird in the hand is better than two in the bush

“Better is a neighbour that is near than a brother far off.” 27:10

You reap what you sow

“He that soweth iniquity shall reap vanity: and the rod of his anger shall fail.” 22:8

Don't toot your own horn

“Let another man praise thee, and not thine own mouth; a stranger, and not thine own lips.” 27:2

Don't wear out your welcome

“Withdraw thy foot from thy neighbour's house; lest he be weary of thee, and so hate thee.” 25:17

Haste makes waste

“Also, [that] the soul be without knowledge, it is not good; and he that hasteth with his feet sinneth.” 19:2

He asked for it!

“A fool's lips enter into contention, and his mouth calleth for strokes.” 18:6

Pride goes before a fall

“Pride goeth before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall.” 16:18

Letting off steam

“A fool uttereth all his mind: but a wise man keepeth it in till afterwards.” 29:11

Man proposes, God disposes

“A man's heart deviseth his way: but the LORD directeth his steps.” 16:19

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PROVERBS & GOD'S CHARACTER



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Description of God	Proverbs Reference	OT Reference
Creator of Cosmos	3:19-20	Deut. 10:14; Isa. 40:21-22
Creator of Man	14:31; 29:13	Deut. 4:32; Isa. 42:5
Avenges Wrong	25:21- 22	Deut. 32:35, 40-41; Nahum 1:2
Comforts Man & Knows his Way	5:21; 15:3	Deut. 23:14; Jer. 16:17
Directs History	16:1-9, 33; 19:21; 20:24	Deut. 4:19; 29:4, 26; Isa. 45:1-13
Disciplines Children	3:11-12	Deut. 8:5; Isa. 1:4-6
Answers Prayer	15:8,29	Deut. 4:29-31; Isa. 56:7
Is Merciful	28:13	Deut. 4:31; 30:8; Isa. 63:7
Is Wise	8:22-31	Deut. 4:26; Isa. 11:2-3; 31:2
Delights in Justice & Hates Iniquity	11:1; 17:15),	Deut. 10:17; Isa. 1:16-17
Has a moral law	3:32; 6:16-19; 11:20; 15:9	Deut. 22:4-11; 23:10-14; Jer. 32:35

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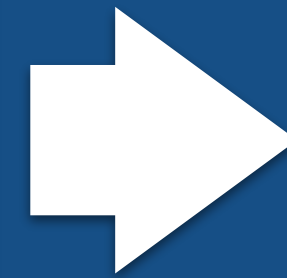


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Deuteronomy 19:14 Thou shalt not remove thy neighbor's landmark



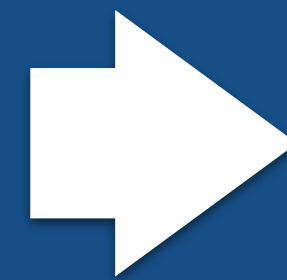
Proverbs 23:11 Remove not the old landmark; and enter not into the fields of the fatherless: For their redeemer is mighty; he shall plead their cause with thee.

EXPANDS ON COMMANDS AND
PROVIDES REASONS WHY



PROVERBS AND THE OLD TESTAMENT

Deuteronomy 23:13 Thou shalt not have in thy bag divers weights, a great and a small. Thou shalt not have in thine house divers measures, a great and a small. But thou shalt have a perfect and just weight, a perfect and just measure shalt thou have: that thy days may be lengthened in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee. For all that do such things, and all that do unrighteously, are an abomination unto the LORD thy God.



Proverbs 11:11 A false balance is abomination to the LORD: but a just weight is his delight.

**IDENTIFIES THE
CORE POINT**



PROVERBS AND THE OLD TESTAMENT

Subject	OT Reference	Proverbs Reference
Do Not Respect Persons	Deut 1:9-18; 16:18-20	24:23; 28:21
Don't Cheat with Landmarks	Deut. 19:14	22:28; 23:10
Don't Cheat with Weights	Deut 25:13-16	11:1; 23:10
Don't Vow Rashly	Deut. 23:22-24	20:25
Don't Show Partiality	Deut 1:17; 16:19	24:23
Pursue Justice	Deut 16:20	21:22



PROVERBS AND THE NEW TESTAMENT



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Subject	NT Reference	Proverbs Reference
“be not wise in your own conceits”	Romans 2:16	3:7
“whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth”	Hebrews 12:6	3:12
“love covers a multitude of sins”	1 Peter 4:8	10:12
“God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble”	James 4:6	3:34



PROVERBS AND THE NEW TESTAMENT

Subject	Epistle Reference	Proverbs Reference
Feet swift to shed blood	Romans 3:15	1:16 (allusion)
Write upon the heart	2 Corinthians 3:3	3:3, 7:3 (allusion)
In the sight of God and man	2 Corinthians 8:21	3:4 (quote - LXX)
Be not wise in your own eyes	Romans 11:25; 12:16	3:7 (allusion)
The Lord chasten those he loves	Hebrews 12:5,6	3:11-12 (quote - LXX)
God resists the proud, gives grace to the humble	James 4:6; 1 Peter 5:5	3:34 (quote - LXX)
Covering sins	James 5:20; 1 Peter 4:8	10:12 (allusion and quote)
We all offend	James 3:2	10:19 (allusion)
War in your members	James 3:18	11:18, 30 (allusion)
Salvation of the righteous, punishment of the wicked	1 Peter 4:18	11:31 (quote - LXX)
Rich as poor, poor as rich	2 Corinthians 6:10	13:7 (allusion)
Will render according to the deeds	Romans 2:6	24:12 (allusion)
Caring for your enemies	Romans 12:20	25:21-22 (quote - LXX)
A dog and his vomit	2 Peter 2:22	26:11 (quote)
We do not know what tomorrow will bring	James 4:13, 14	27:1 (allusion)
He that descended and ascended	Ephesians 4:9,10	30:4 (quote)



JESUS AND THE PROVERBS



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IN THE SERMON
ON THE MOUNT
JESUS CITED

PROVERBS

23 TIMES





JESUS AND THE PROVERBS

Matthew Reference	Proverbs Reference	Matthew Reference	Proverbs Reference
5:3	16:19	5:45	29:13
5:5	10:30; 3:34	6:7	10:19
5:7	11:17	6:11	30:8
5:8	22:11	6:19	11:28
5:9	12:10; 10:10	6:20	2:7; 11:4
5:22	18:21	6:22	4:25; 22:9; 20:27
5:24	21:27	6:23	28:22
5:25-26	10:12; 17:9	6:33	21:21
5:28	4:23; 4:25; 6:24; 16:2; 21:9	7:6	9:7-8; 11:22; 23:9; 26:11
5:39	20:22; 24:29; 25:21-22	7:7-11	1:24-28
5:42	3:28; 21:26; 22:9	7:13	2:18-19
5:44	10:12	7:24-27	1:27-31; 14:11

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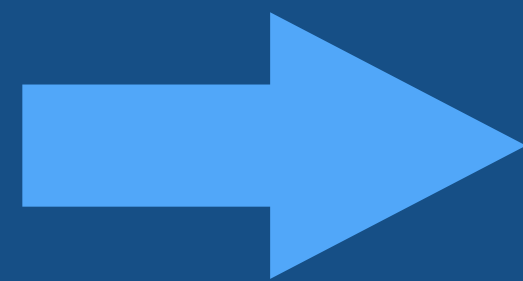
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Proverbs 25:6 Put not forth thyself in the presence of the king, and stand not in the place of great men:

7 For better it is that it be said unto thee, Come up hither; than that thou shouldest be put lower in the presence of the prince whom thine eyes have seen.”

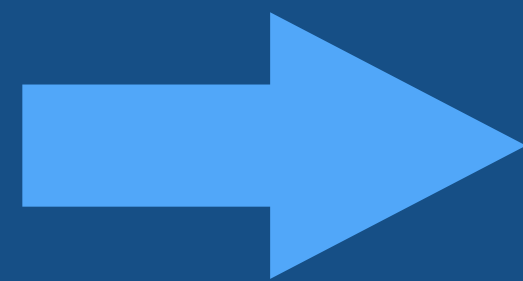


PARABLE OF THE SEATS AT THE FEAST

LUKE 14:8-10

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Proverbs 20:18: Plans are established by counsel; by wise guidance wage war.

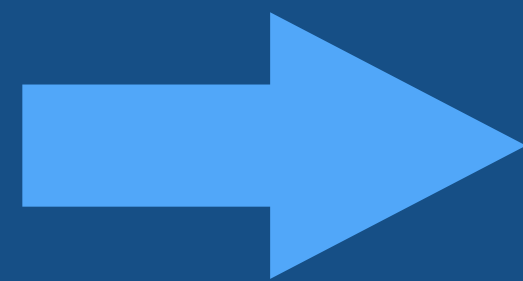


COUNT THE COST
BEFORE WAR
LUKE 14:31

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Proverbs 10:25: As the whirlwind passeth, so is the wicked no more: but the righteous is an everlasting foundation.



WISE & FOOLISH BUILDERS

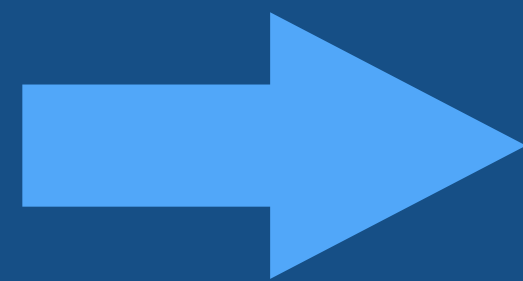
MATTHEW 7:25

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Proverbs 21:20: There is treasure to be desired and oil in the dwelling of the wise; but a foolish man spendeth it up.

Proverbs 28:7 Whoso keepeth the law is a wise son: but he that is a companion of riotous men shameth his father.



PRODIGAL SON

LUKE 15:11



PARABLES AND THE PROVERBS

Parable / Teaching	NT Reference	Proverbs
The rich fool	Luke 12:16-20	1:32
Hidden treasure	Matthew 13:44	2:4
The plant rooted up	Matthew 15:13	2:22
The righteous shine as the sun	Matthew 13:43	4:18
Walk in the night, stumble	John 11:10	4:19
Thief, unready householder	Luke 12:39	6:9-11
Pearl of great price	Matthew 13:45	8:11
Great supper	Luke 14:16	9:1-6
The one talent man	Matthew 25:24-30	10:15
Houses on rock and sand	Matthew 7:25	10:25
Tares	Matthew 13:25	11:18

PARABLES AND THE PROVERBS (CONT)

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Broad way to destruction	Matthew 7:13	14:12
The two ways	Matthew 7:13,14	15:24
The widow	Luke 18:1-8	15:25
Ye did it to one of these, ye did it to me	Matthew 25:40	19:17
Plan before War	Luke 14:31	20:18
The lamp of the body is the eye	Luke 11:34	20:27
The Prodigal Son	Luke 15:11	28:7
Seats at a banquet	Luke 14:8-10	25:6-7
Plan before War	Luke 14:31	25:8
Alms in Secret	Matthew 6:3	25:9-10
The Prodigal Son	Luke 15:11	29:3
Pharisee and Publican	Luke 18:11	30:12,13



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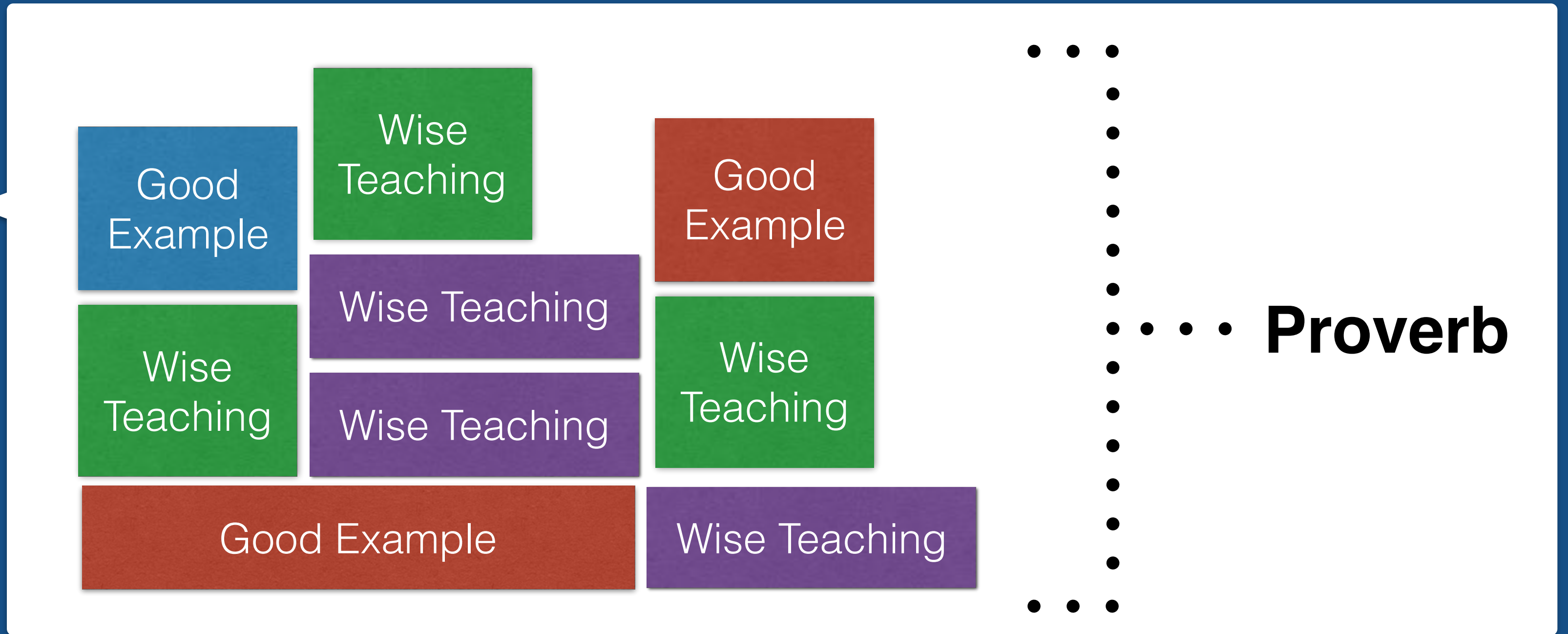
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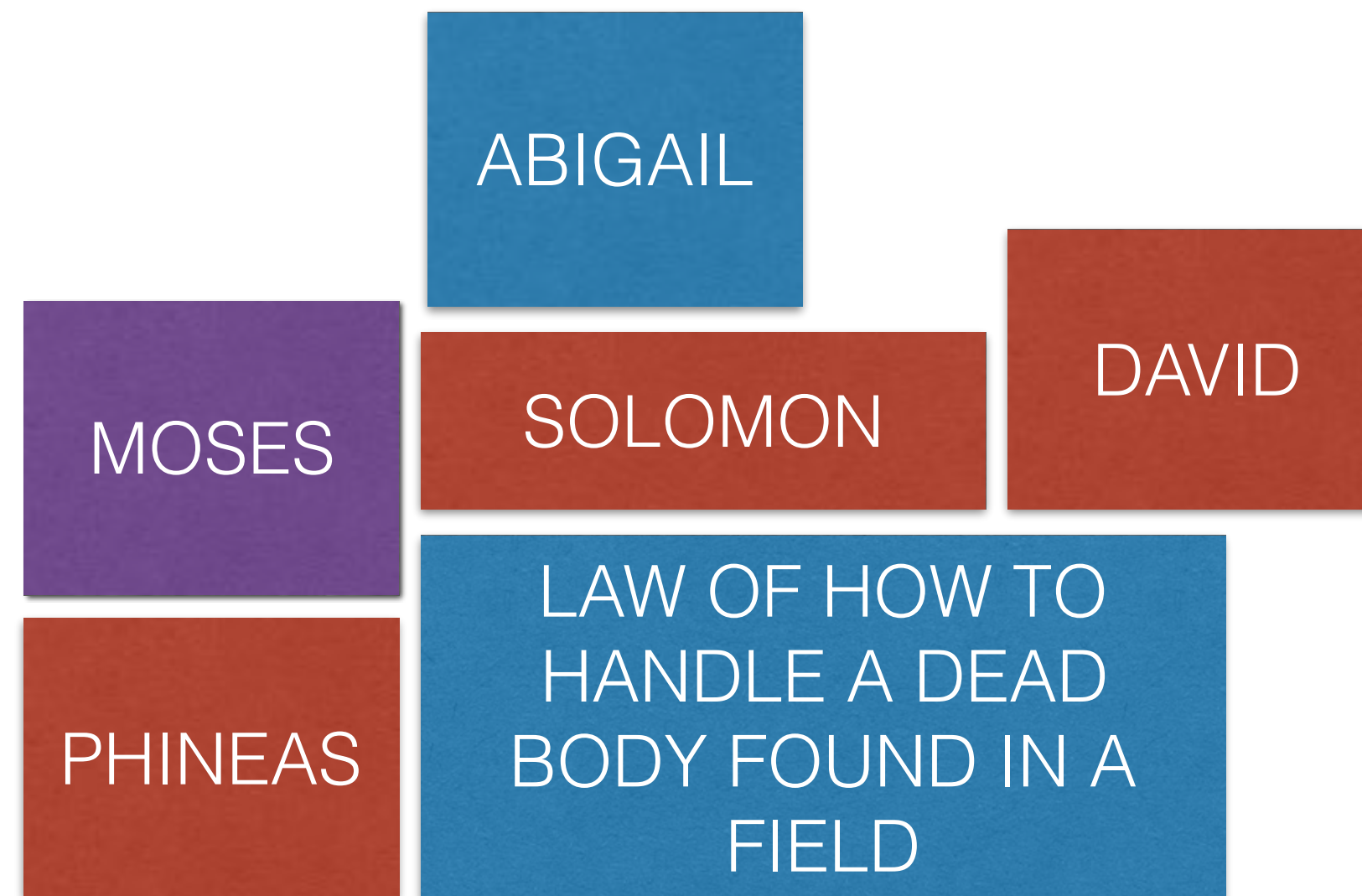
“Withhold not good
from them to whom
it is due, when it is
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thine hand to do it”

Proverbs 3:27

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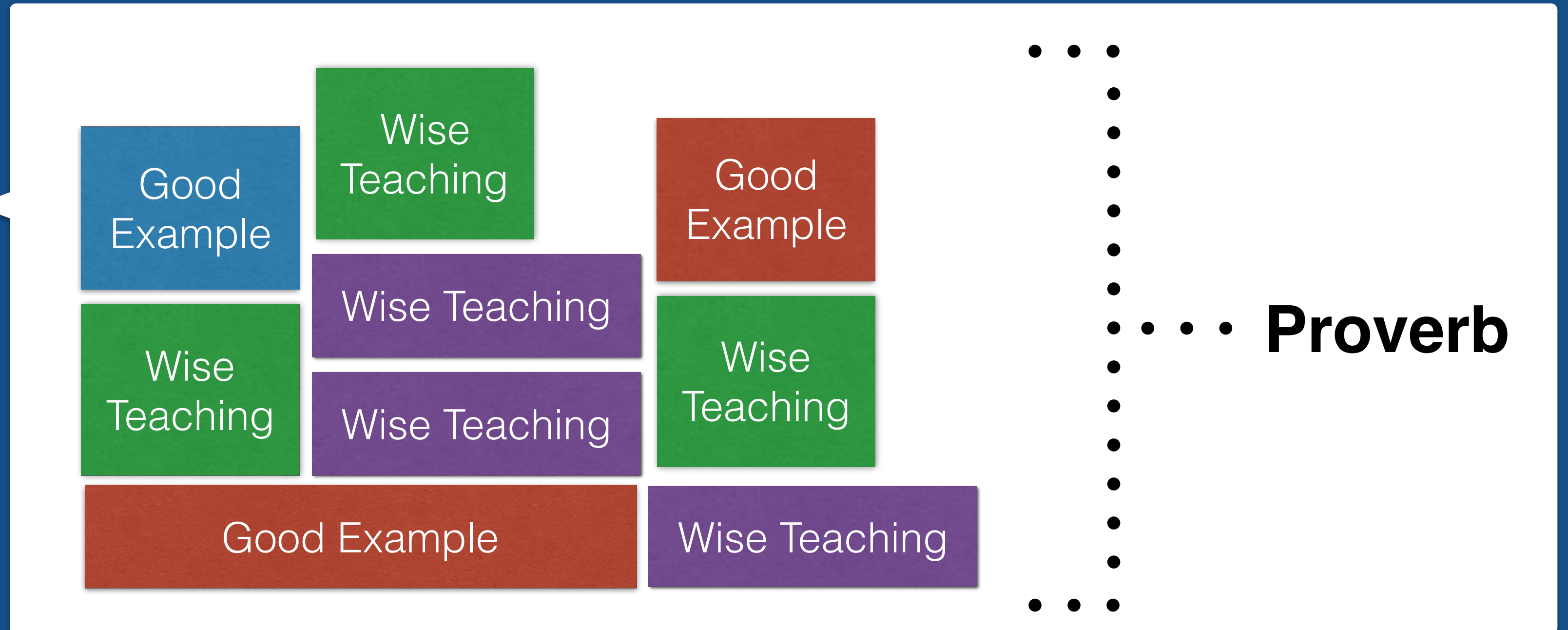
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**“He that answereth a
matter before he
heareth it, it is folly
and shame unto him”**
Proverbs 18:13

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... **Proverb**



READ PROVERBS WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF THE REST OF SCRIPTURE

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**“in all labor there is
profit, but mere talk
leads only to poverty”**

Proverbs 14:23

**“do not wear yourself
out to become rich,
have the wisdom to
show restraint”**

Proverbs 23:4



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Proverbs 10:1

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Subject	Contrast
Wisdom	Folly
Being Slow to Speak	Being Quick to Speak
Humility	Pride
Diligence	Laziness
Generosity	Greed
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Seeking Counsel	Acting Rashly
Love	Lust

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**“Commit thy works unto the
LORD, and thy thoughts shall
be established”**

Proverbs 16:3

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THE APPLICATION OF A PROVERB DIFFERS BASED ON THE SITUATION

PROVERBS ARE:

“Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.”

Proverbs 22:6

“the fear of the LORD prolongeth days: but the years of the wicked shall be shortened”

Proverbs 10:27

**“TO BE LIKE”
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Proverbs 1:1 The proverbs of Solomon the son of David, king of Israel; 2 To know wisdom and instruction; to perceive the words of understanding; 3 To receive the instruction of wisdom, justice, and judgment, and equity; 4 To give subtilty to the simple, to the young man knowledge and discretion. 5 A wise man will hear, and will increase learning; and a man of understanding shall attain unto wise counsels: 6 To understand a proverb, and the interpretation; the words of the wise, and their dark sayings.



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Proverbs 1:7 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction.

Proverbs 9:10 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the holy is understanding.



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FEAR IS NOT JUST BEING AFRAID

REVERENCE HONOR

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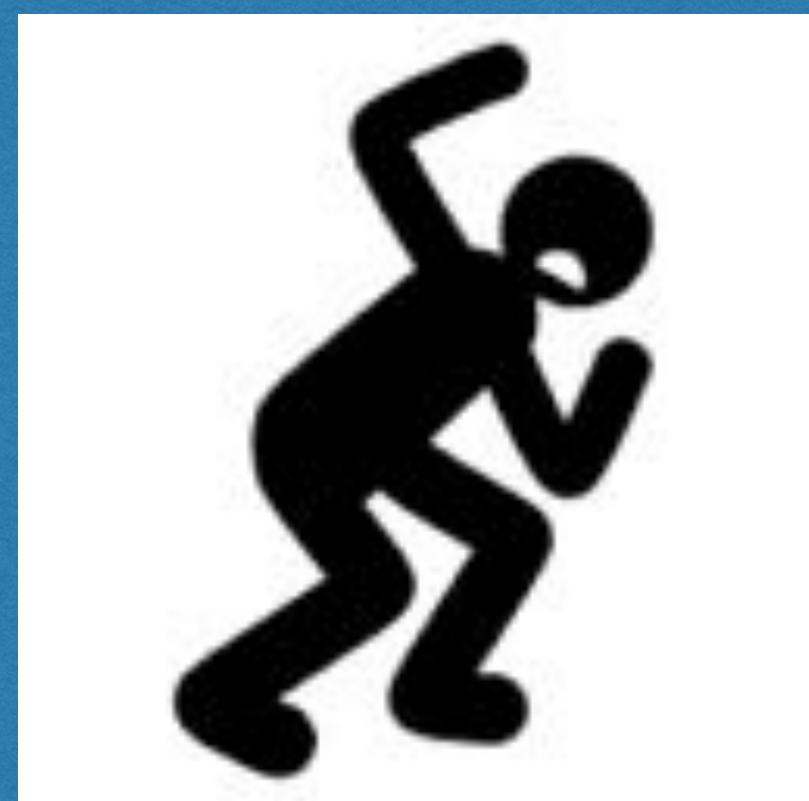
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Deuteronomy 1:29
Then I said unto
you, **Dread** not,
neither be afraid of
them



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1 Kings 3:28 ...and
they **feared** the king:
for they saw that the
wisdom of God was
in him, to do
judgment

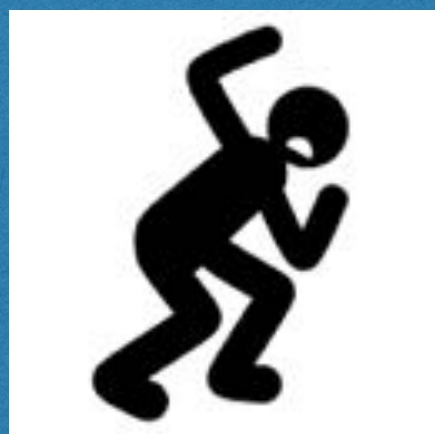


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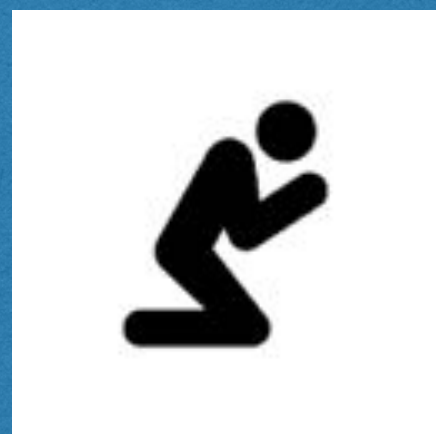
Leviticus 19:3 Ye
shall **fear** every man
his mother, and his
father,



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WHO DO WE FEAR?

WHO DO WE LOOK UP TO?

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SOCIETY IS RULED BY THE FEAR OF MAN

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WISDOM'S CRY

PROVERBS FOR SOLOMON

“Doth not wisdom cry? and understanding put forth her voice?” Proverbs 8:1

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Proverbs 1:8 My son, hear the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the law of thy mother:

WISDOM =
CHOKMAH

APPLIED
KNOWLEDGE

SKILL THAT
PRODUCES VALUE

Proverbs 1:2 To know **wisdom** and instruction; to perceive the words of understanding;

Wisdom (SH2451 x 149) Applied knowledge, skill that produces something of value

Craftsmanship

Exodus 31:6 in the hearts of all that are wise hearted I have put **wisdom**, that they may make all that I have commanded thee;

Weaving

Exodus 35:26 And all the women whose heart stirred them up in **wisdom** spun goats' hair.

Judgement

1 Kings 3:28 And all Israel heard of the judgment...they saw that the **wisdom** of God *was* in him, to do judgment.

broad usage thru scripture



Proverbs 4:5 Get wisdom, get understanding:
forget it not; neither decline from the words of
my mouth. 6 Forsake her not, and she shall
preserve thee: love her, and she shall keep thee.
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wisdom: and with all thy getting get
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promote thee: she shall bring thee to honour,
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Getting wisdom is vital! Chapters 1-9 explains why:

Man is Simple
9:16-17 - we lack experience in youth so learn from the experience of others!

Man in Sinful
4:23, 6:14,18 - we are naturally inclined toward evil and must learn the right way - 3:5-7

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listening to words
of wisdom

Second step is
application

Third step is
repeating steps 1
& 2, even when
it's hard -
PERSISTENCE!

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It takes **ACTION**,
EFFORT and
PERSISTENCE to
obtain wisdom

Wisdom doesn't
come naturally
with age,
experience,
intellect or wealth

MYTH ABOUT
WISDOM:
“WITH AGE
COMES WISDOM”

THE TRUTH:
WISDOM WILL
NOT JUST
COME WITH
TIME

Proverbs 16:31 The hoary head is a crown
of glory, if it be found in the way of
righteousness.

MYTH ABOUT
WISDOM:
“INTELLIGENCE
BEARS WISDOM”

THE TRUTH:
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NOT JUST
COME WITH
INTELLECT

1 Corinthians 1:20 Where *is* the wise?
where *is* the scribe? where *is* the disputer
of this world? hath not God made foolish
the wisdom of this world?

**MYTH ABOUT
WISDOM:
“WEALTH BRINGS
WISDOM”**

**THE TRUTH:
WISDOM WILL
NOT JUST
COME WITH
WEALTH**

Proverbs 8:10-11 Receive my instruction,
and not silver; and knowledge rather than
choice gold. For wisdom is better than
rubies...

THE TRUTH ABOUT WISDOM:

IT MUST BE RECEIVED
HEARD CRIED AFTER PURSUED
SOUGHT OUT GATHERED
PRACTICED APPLIED STUDIED
PRAYED FOR DISCUSSED
LEARNED



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SO IS ITS
APPLICATION

Wisdom is Active

Wisdom is diligent 6:6

Wisdom is humble 11:2

Wisdom heals 12:18

Wisdom befriends the wise 13:20

Wisdom seeks advice 9:8-9

Wisdom is always learning 14:6

Wisdom is thoughtful and honest 14:8

Wisdom is above reproach 15:21

Wisdom knows when to speak 16:23

Wisdom knows when to be silent 17:28

Wisdom fears God 15:33

IF GETTING WISDOM IS SO IMPORTANT,
HOW DO WE DO IT?

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2	--	2:16-19
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4	4:5-9	--
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6	--	6:24-29
7	7:4	7:5-27
8	8:1-36	--
9	9:1-6	9:13-18

THEY CAN SEEM SIMILAR

Proverbs 9:4 “Whoso is simple, let him turn in hither!”

**Wisdom and Folly can be confused
if we don't look deeper!**

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Pay Attention to What is Offered

Proverbs 14:15 The simple believeth every word: but the prudent man looketh well to his going

Proverbs 19:2 It is not good to have zeal without knowledge, nor to be hasty and miss the way.

A hasty decision is often a wrong decision – zeal alone is of no worth

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FOLLY

2:16-19, 5:3-14, 6:24-29, 7:5-27, 9:13-18

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If it must be secret,
it's Folly's feast

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1 Samuel 25:2 And there was a man in Maon, whose possessions were in Carmel; and the man was very great, and he had three thousand sheep, and a thousand goats: and he was shearing his sheep in Carmel. 3 Now the name of the man was **Nabal**; and the name of his wife Abigail: and she was a woman of good understanding, and of a beautiful countenance: but the man was churlish and evil in his doings; and he was of the house of Caleb.

Hebrew - Fool

1 Samuel 25:25 Let not my lord, I pray thee, regard this man of Belial, even Nabal: for as his name is, so is he; Nabal is his name, and folly is with him: but I thine handmaid saw not the young men of my lord, whom thou didst send.



1 SAMUEL 25:2-12

**DAVID GUARDED NABAL
DURING SHEARING**

NABAL SPURNED DAVID

**DAVID PLOTTED HIS
REVENGE**

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**AS DAVID WAS ON THE
ROAD TO FOLLY'S HOUSE
TO STEAL BREAD AND
WATER...HE HEARD THE
CALL OF LADY WISDOM**



1 Samuel 25:17b ... for he is such a son of Belial, that a man cannot speak to him 18 Abigail made haste, and took two hundred loaves, and two bottles of wine, and five sheep ready dressed, and five measures of parched corn, and an hundred clusters of raisins, and two hundred cakes of figs, and laid them on asses. 19 And she said unto her servants, Go on before me; behold, I come after you

...23 And when Abigail saw David, she hasted, and lighted off the ass, and fell before David on her face, and bowed herself to the ground, 24 And fell at his feet, and said, Upon me, my lord, upon me let this iniquity be: and let thine handmaid, I pray thee, speak in thine audience, and hear the words of thine handmaid.

Pv 9:7 – Fools don't heed rebuke

Pv 9:2,5 Woman wisdom brings meat, bread and wine

Pv 9:3 Wisdom sends forth her maidens and cries out



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...**28** I pray thee, forgive the trespass of thine handmaid: for the Lord will certainly make my lord a sure house; because my lord fighteth the battles of the Lord, and evil hath not been found in thee all thy days.

Pv 9:6 – Lady Wisdom says to forsake the foolish!

Pv 9:7-8 – The wise heed advice while the foolish reject it (cmp with David's marriage of Abigail – he indeed loves her for her rebuke!)

Pv 9:11 – the blessing of listening to wisdom is life



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...36 And Abigail came to Nabal: and, behold, he held a feast in his house, like the feast of a king; and Nabal's heart was merry within him, for he was very drunken: wherefore she told him nothing, less or more, until the morning light. 37 But it came to pass in the morning, when the wine was gone out of Nabal, and his wife had told him these things, that his heart died within him, and he became as a stone.

38 And it came to pass about ten days after, that the Lord smote Nabal, that he died.

Pv 26:4-5

Pv 9:9 – the wise grows in learning, mimics Wisdom's speech (cmp David's speech before / after meeting Abigail), and shows the restraint she advises (cmp 1 Sam 26 where the lesson sticks – does not avenge his own hand. Cmp 2 Sam 3:3, David and Abigail's first child name Chileab, meaning Restraint of His Father)

Pv 9:13–18; foolish woman is clamorous, goes to excess, sitting at a high place like a king, has invited guest to feast on food not rightfully hers (cmp 1 Sam 25:11)

Pv 9:12 “if thou scornest, thou alone shalt bear it”

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“A fool despiseth his father's instruction: but he that regardeth reproof is prudent”

11:2

“[When] pride cometh, then cometh shame: but with the lowly [is] wisdom.”

26:12

“Seest thou a man wise in his own conceit? [there is] more hope of a fool than of him.”

*“Doth not wisdom cry? PROVERBS 8:1
And understanding put forth her voice?”*

**seek,
recognize,
hear & heed
Wisdom's Call**

RIDDLES^{OF}_{THE} WISE **PROVERBS OF SOLOMON**

God gave Solomon wisdom and very great insight, and a breadth of understanding as measureless as the sand on the seashore. 1 Kings 4:29

CLASS THREE

1 KINGS 4:29-34





WISDOM SPEAKS-TRUTH CORPS



TO UNDERSTAND A PROVERB



WISDOM'S CRY-PROVERBS FOR SOLOMON



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WRITING ON THE HEART-HEZEKIAH'S PROVERBS



THE WISDOM OF GOD



HOW THE KINGDOM CAME





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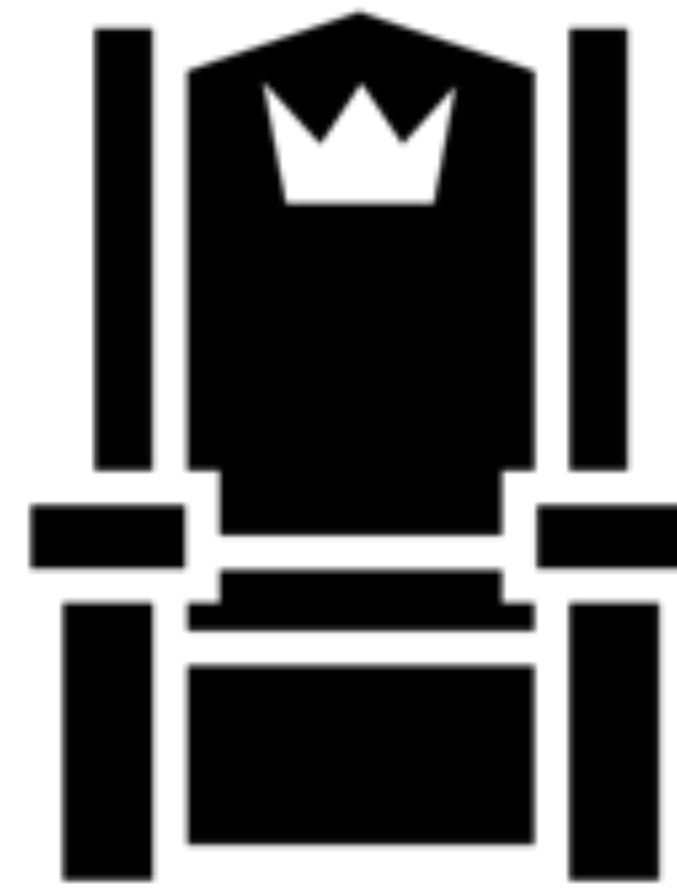
**KING
SOLOMON**

GOLDEN AGE OF ISRAEL

HEIGHT OF POWER

PEACE AND PROSPERITY

**TYPE OF CHRIST IN
MILLENNIAL REIGN**



DAVID'S THRONE

They would sit as King on **David's throne** as the **king appointed by God**, reigning from **Jerusalem**

2 Chron. 9:8; Luke 1:32, Jer 3:17, Zech 6:13



JUDGEMENT

After being made king, there would be a **judgment** where some were welcomed to **eat at the King's table**, while others were **cast out**

1 Kings 2:7 cp. 2 Sam.9: 7,10; 19:28; Lk.14:15; 22:30



INHERIT THE LAND

The borders of the Kingdom would be **vast** - lost **land was restored**
and made habitable and the **nations would be subdued**

2 Chron. 9:26; 8:4 cp. Josh. 16:3,5, 1 Kings 4:20-21; Mic. 4:7-8



SUBJECTS

The **subjects of the Kingdom would be numerous** - like the dust of the earth - a foreshadowing (Solomon) and fulfillment (Christ) of the **promises made to Abraham**

2 Chron.1:9 cp. Gen. 13:16; 1 Kings 4:20



TEMPLE

There would be a **temple**

1 Kings 6; Zech 6:11-13



SACRIFICE

The **Gentile nations** would bring presents and **sacrifices**

1 Kings 4:21; Ps.68:29; 76:11; 72:8,10



TEACHING

Nations would come annually to Jerusalem to hear **instruction**

2 Chron. 9:23-24; Zech. 14:16

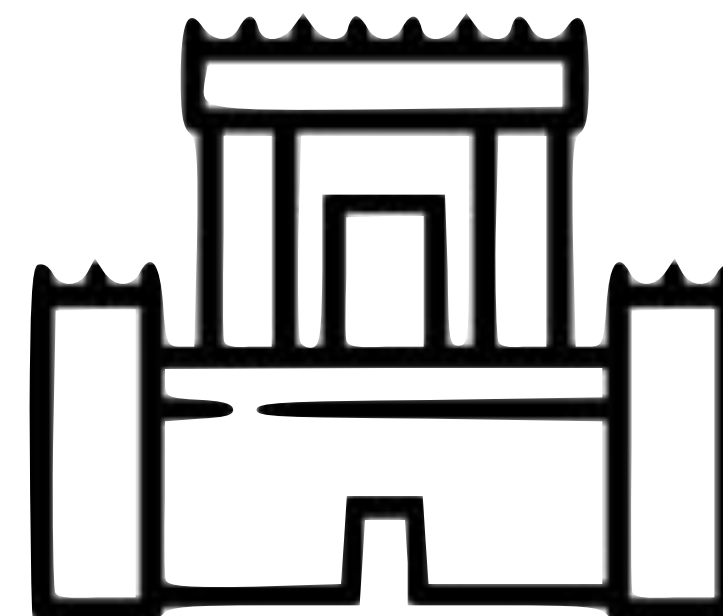


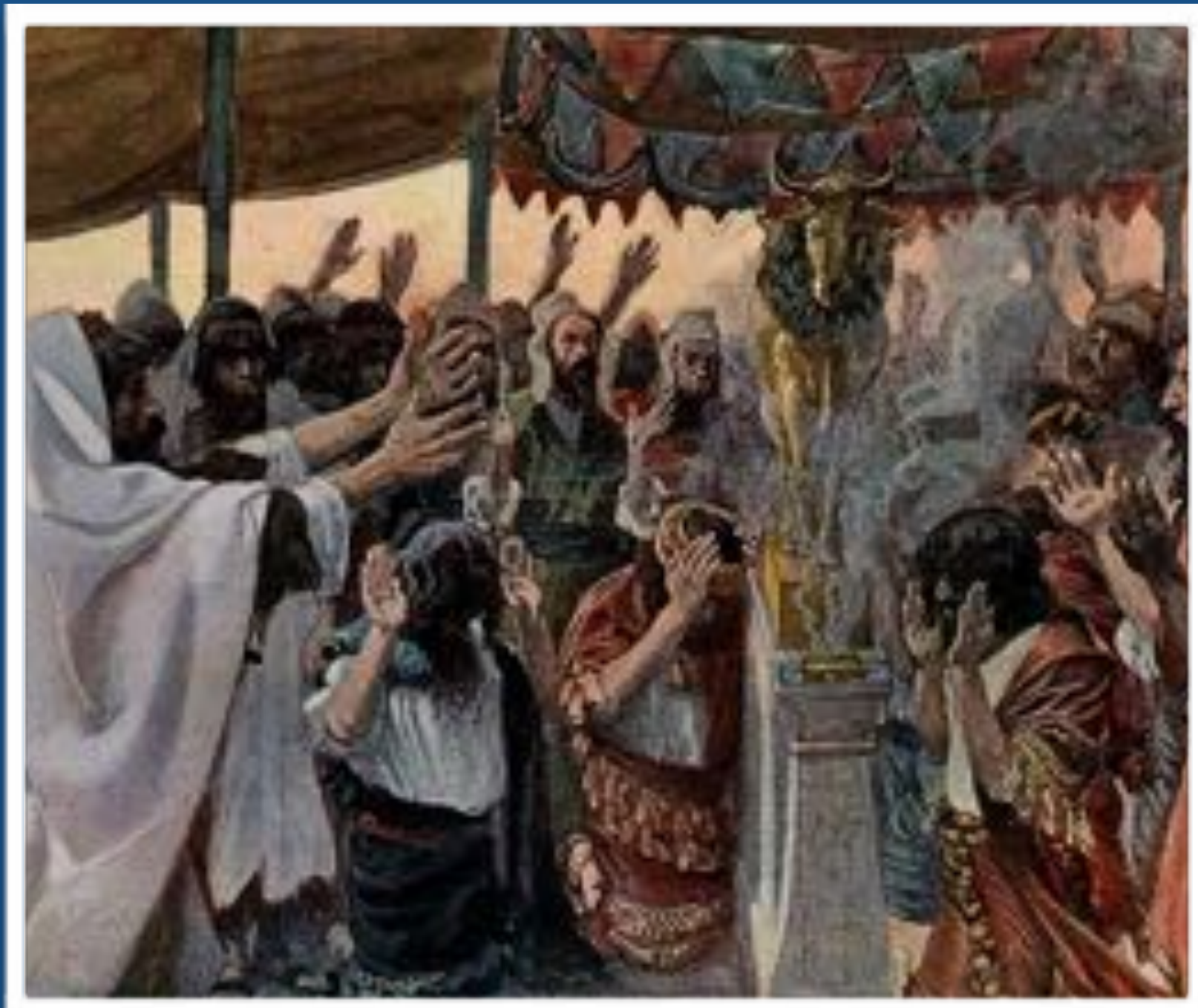
PEACE

The Kingdom would be one of peace, with “every
man under his vine and under his fig tree”

1 Kings 4:22-28; Mic. 4:4; Ez. 34:28; Isa. 35:1-2

SOLOMON - THE STRONGEST TYPE OF JESUS CHRIST IN HIS MILLENNIAL REIGN





SOLOMON'S RISE & FALL

BUT THINGS FELL APART...



**ZEALOUS
YOUTH**



**WISE
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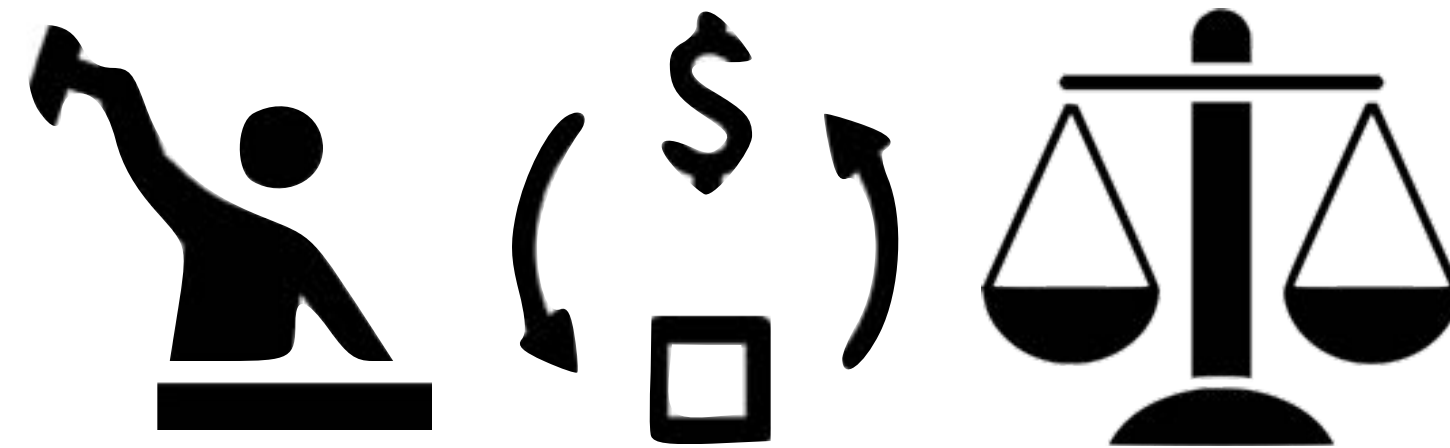
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**SONG
OF SONGS**

**FIRST Divine Warning
CONDITIONAL BLESSING**



**ZEALOUS
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**WISE
KING**



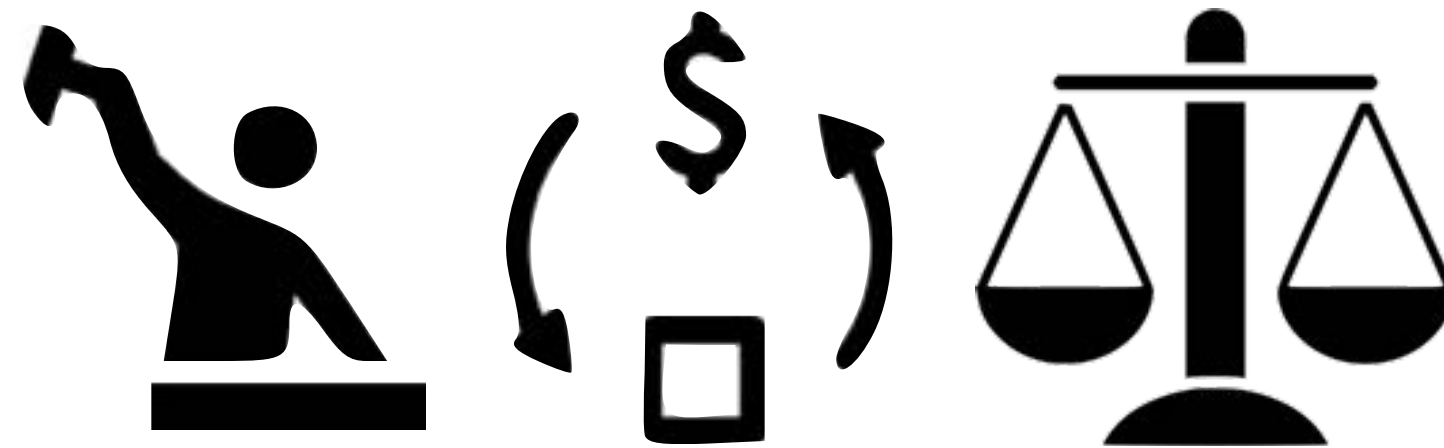
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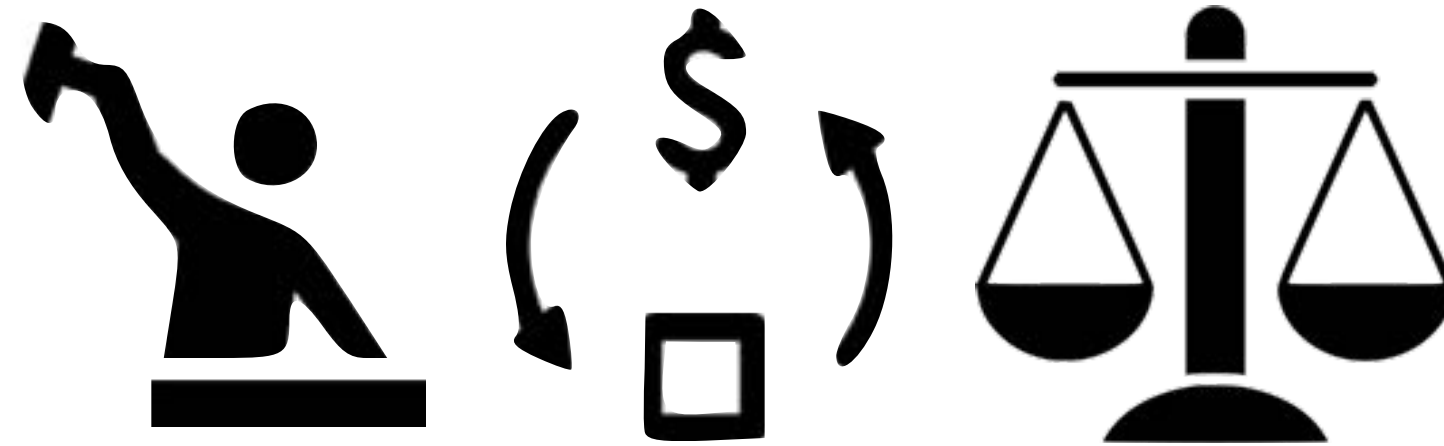
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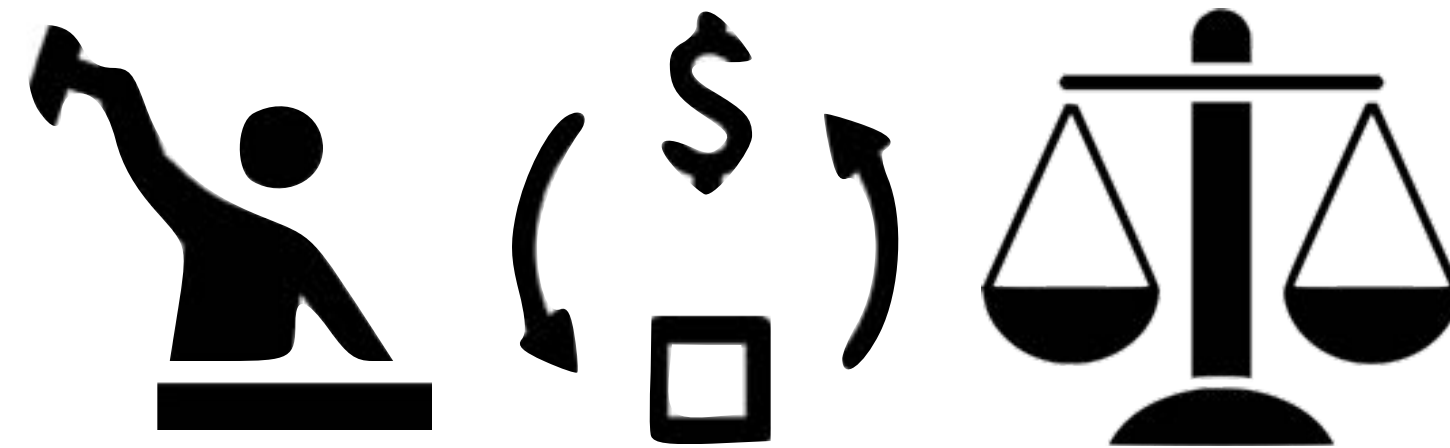
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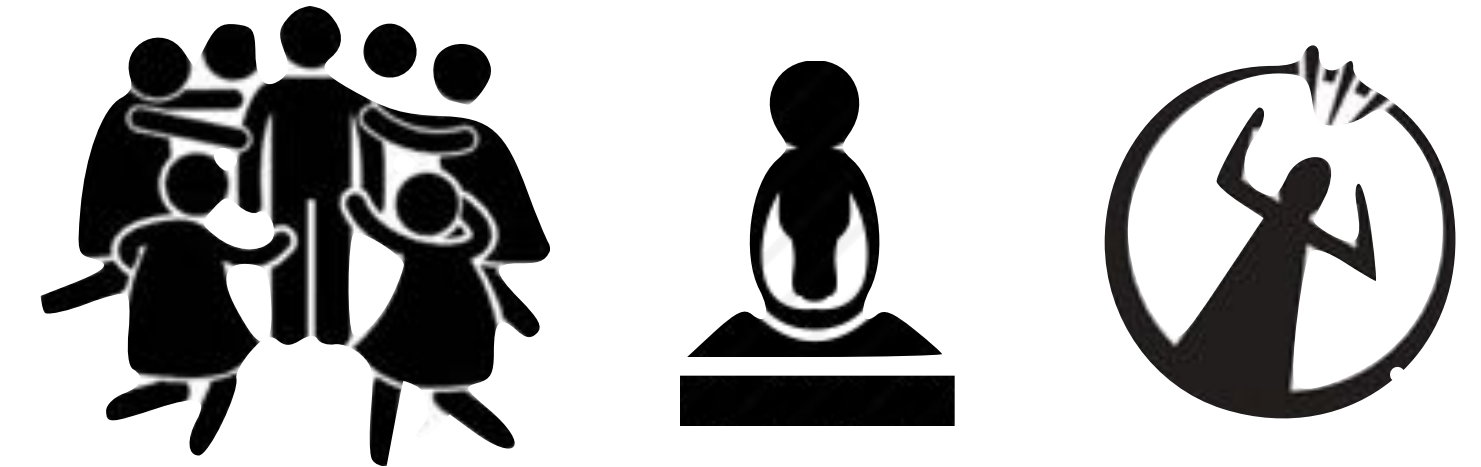
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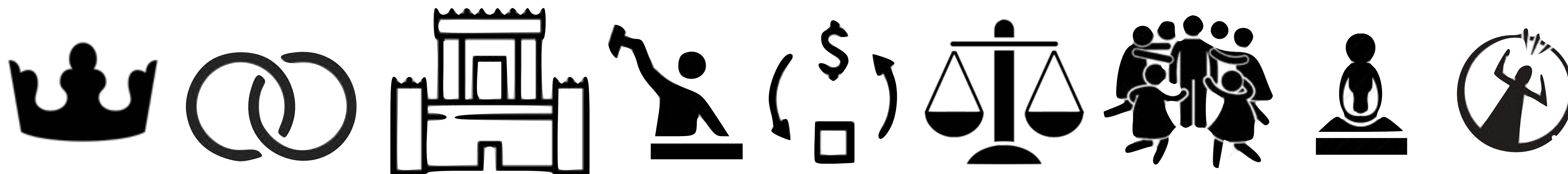
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ECCLESIASTICS

**THIRD Divine Warning
CERTAIN CONSEQUENCES**



**ZEALOUS
YOUTH**



**WISE
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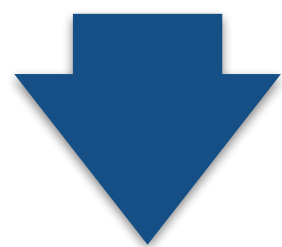
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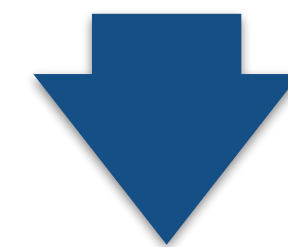
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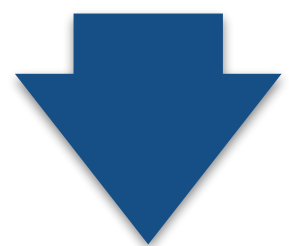
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Proverbs 27:20 Hell and destruction are never full; so the eyes of man are never satisfied.

Luke 12:16–21, Parable of the Barns



RATHER THAN SEEK GAIN, LEARN TO BE CONTENT

Proverbs 30:7-9 Two things have I required of thee; deny me them not before I die:
8 Remove far from me vanity and lies: give me neither poverty nor riches; feed me
with food convenient for me: 9 Lest I be full, and deny thee, and say, Who is the
Lord? or lest I be poor, and steal, and take the name of my God in vain.

Hebrews 13:5 Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with
such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.

compare with 1 Timothy 6:6-8 and 1 Phil 4:11-13

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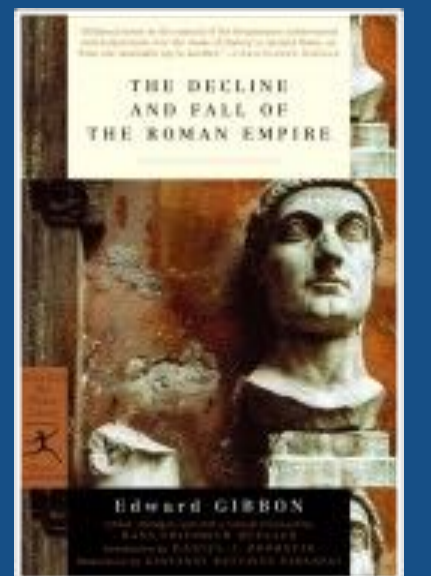
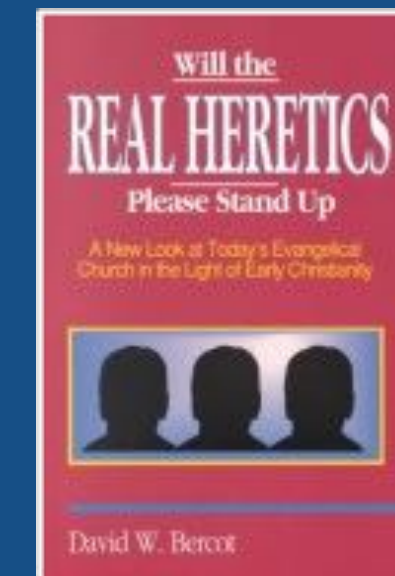
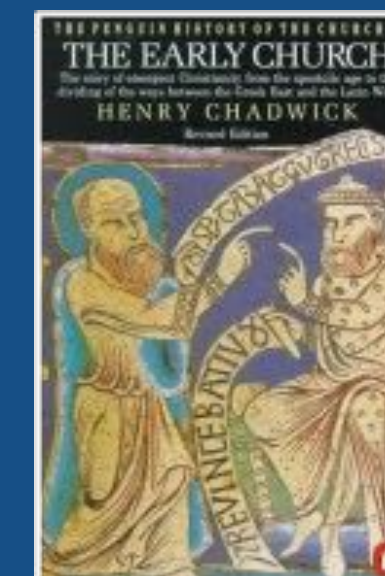
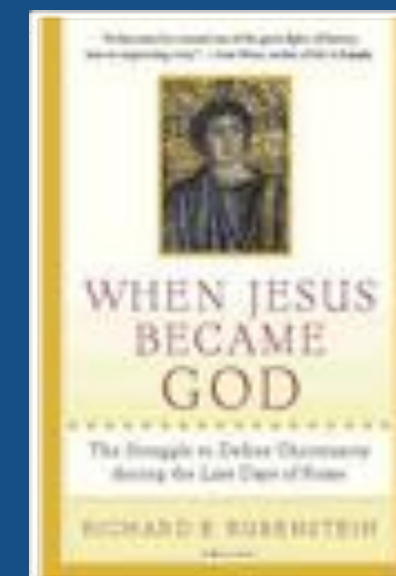
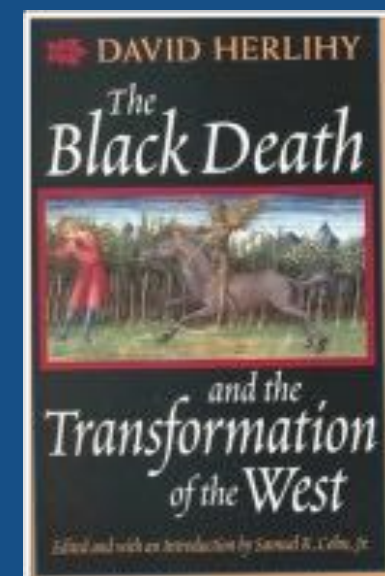
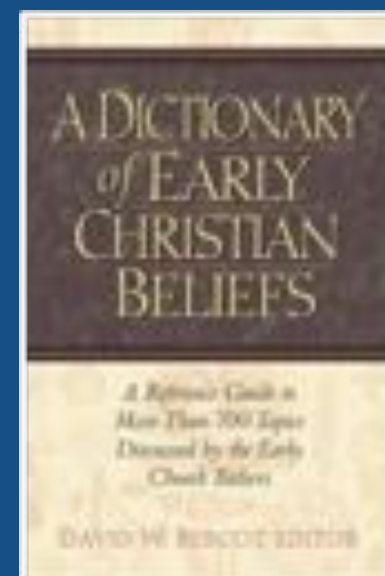
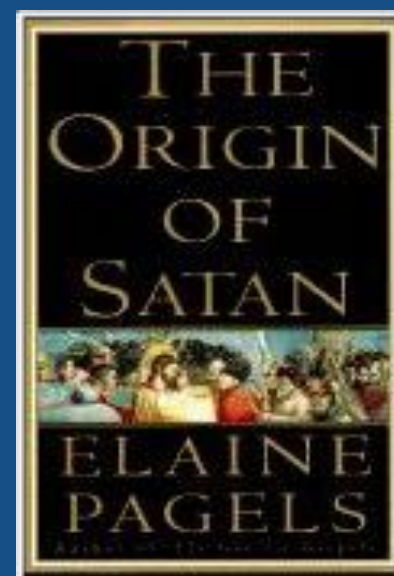
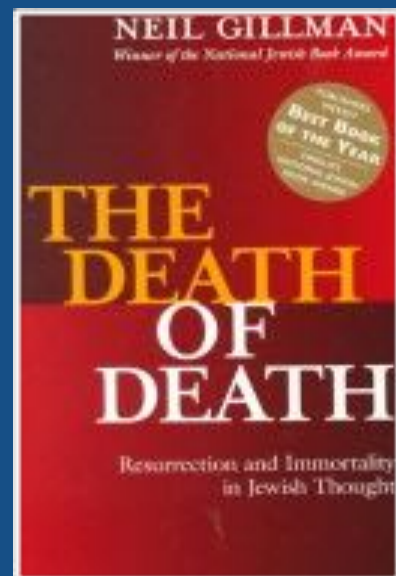
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TO UNDERSTAND A PROVERB

“To understand a proverb, and the interpretation; the words of the wise, and their dark sayings.”
PROVERBS 1:6

Proverbs help us
Practice the Truth

Proverbs are Pithy,
Poetic, Principles that
teach us Wisdom

The Fear of the Lord is
where Wisdom starts



*“Doth not wisdom cry? PROVERBS 8:1
And understanding put forth her voice?”*

seek,
recognize,
hear & heed
Wisdom's Call

WISDOM

1:20-33, 3:13-18, 4:5-9, 7:4, 8:1-36, 9:1-6

Proverbs 9:1 Wisdom hath builded her house, she hath hewn out her seven pillars: 2 She hath killed her beasts: she hath mingled her wine; she hath set her table.

SH5643, *sā'·ther*, covert, a hiding place, for example, David's trip to Nabal's house – 1 Samuel 25:20 – was done in the covert, or secret place of the hill as not to be noticed. If it must be secret, it's Folly's feast

FOLLY

2:16-19, 5:3-14, 6:24-29, 7:5-27, 9:13-18

Proverbs 9:13 A foolish woman *is* clamorous: *she is* simple, and knoweth nothing. 14 For she sitteth at the door of her house, on a seat in the high places of the city, 15 To call passengers who go right on their ways: 16 Whoso is simple, let him turn in hither! 17 Stolen waters are sweet, and bread eaten in secret is pleasant. 18 But he knoweth not that the dead *are* there; *and that* her guests *are* in the depths of hell.

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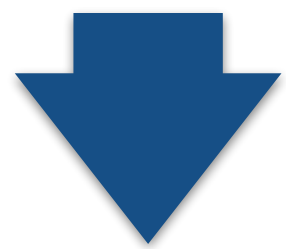
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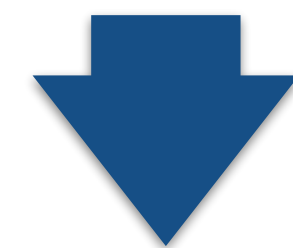
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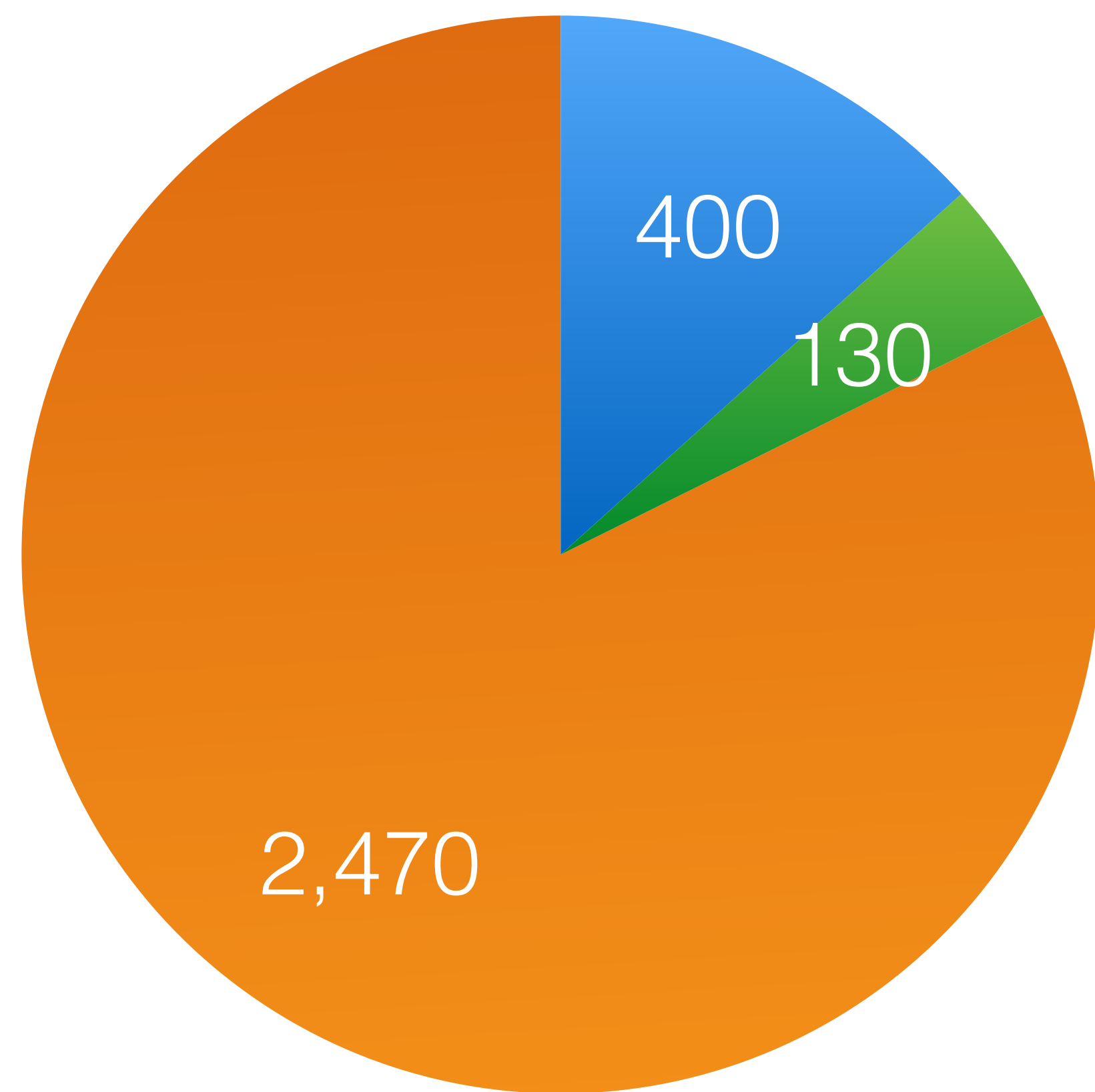
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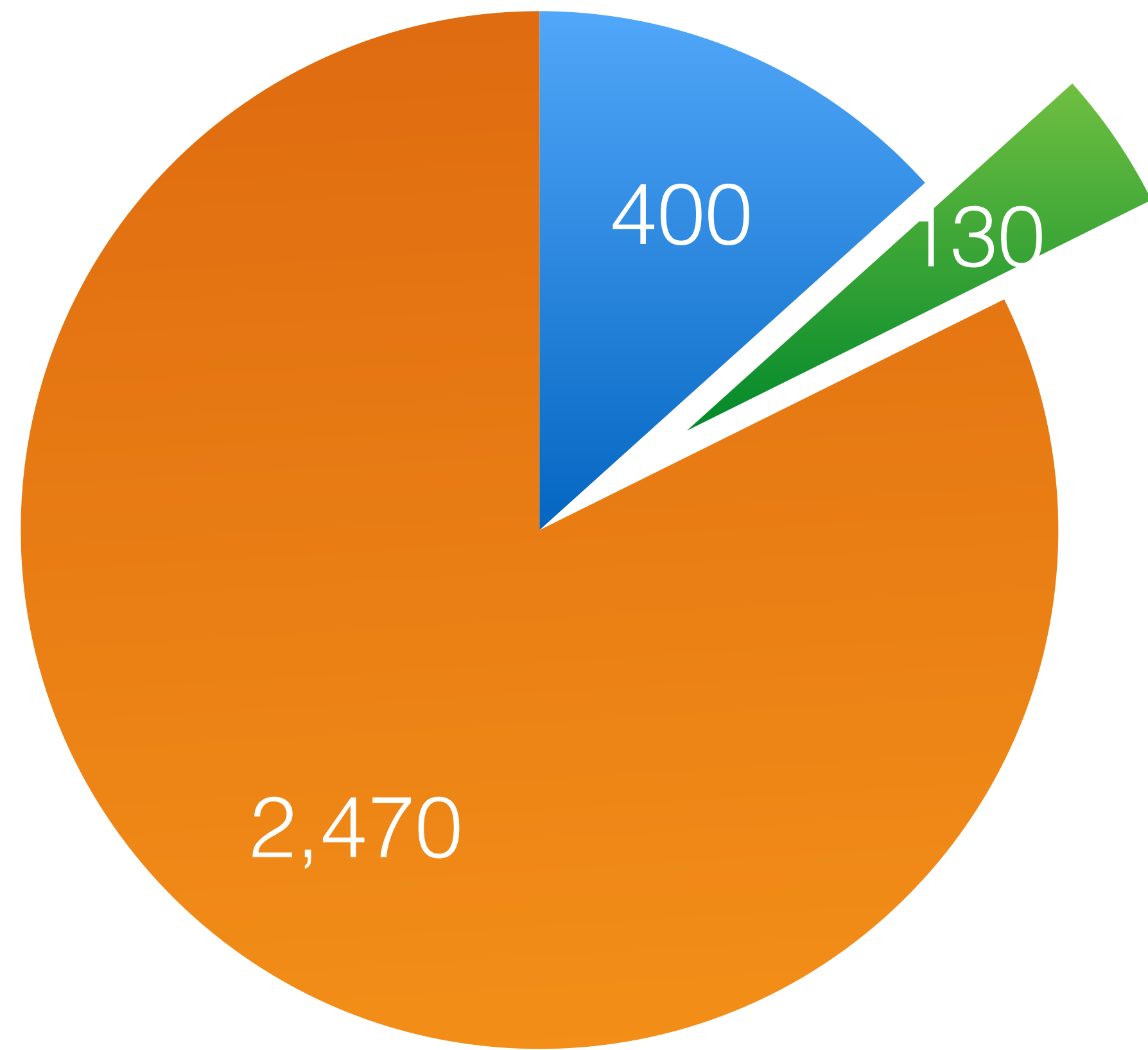
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proverbs for
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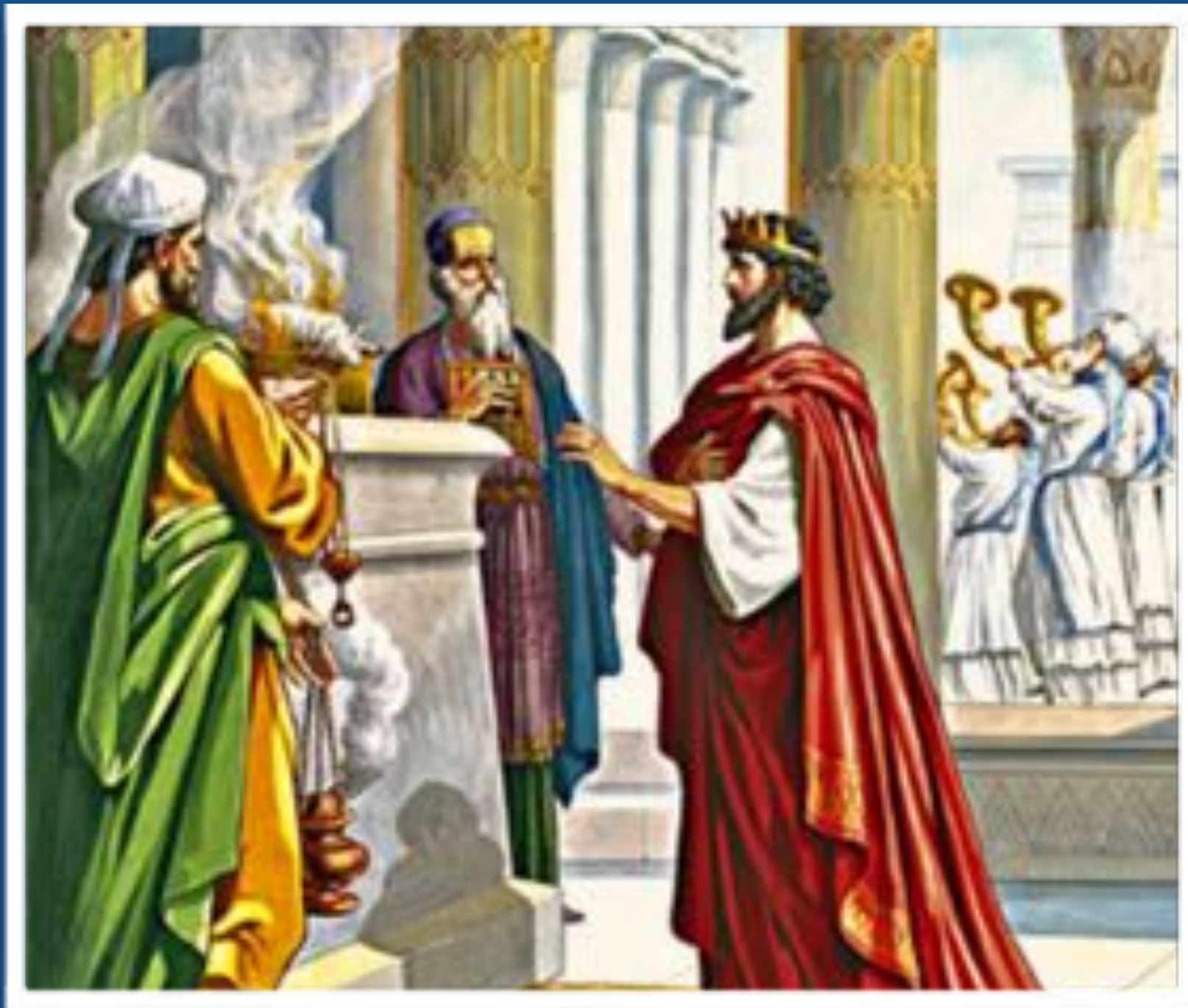


WHY DID HEZEKIAH CHOOSE TO INCLUDE THESE PROVERBS?

Proverbs 25:2 *It is the glory of God to conceal a thing: but the honour of kings is to search out a matter.*

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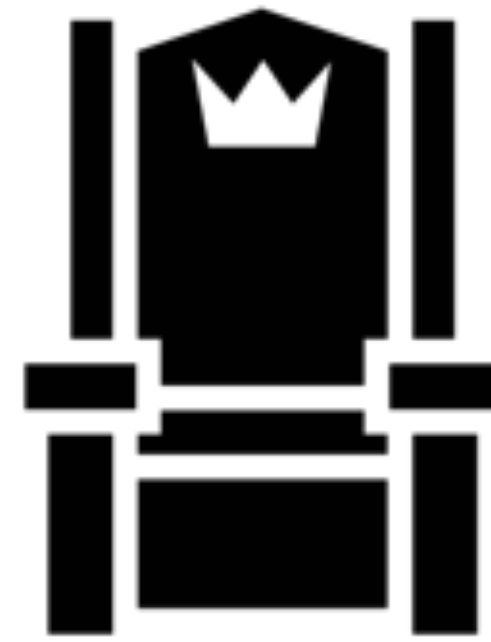
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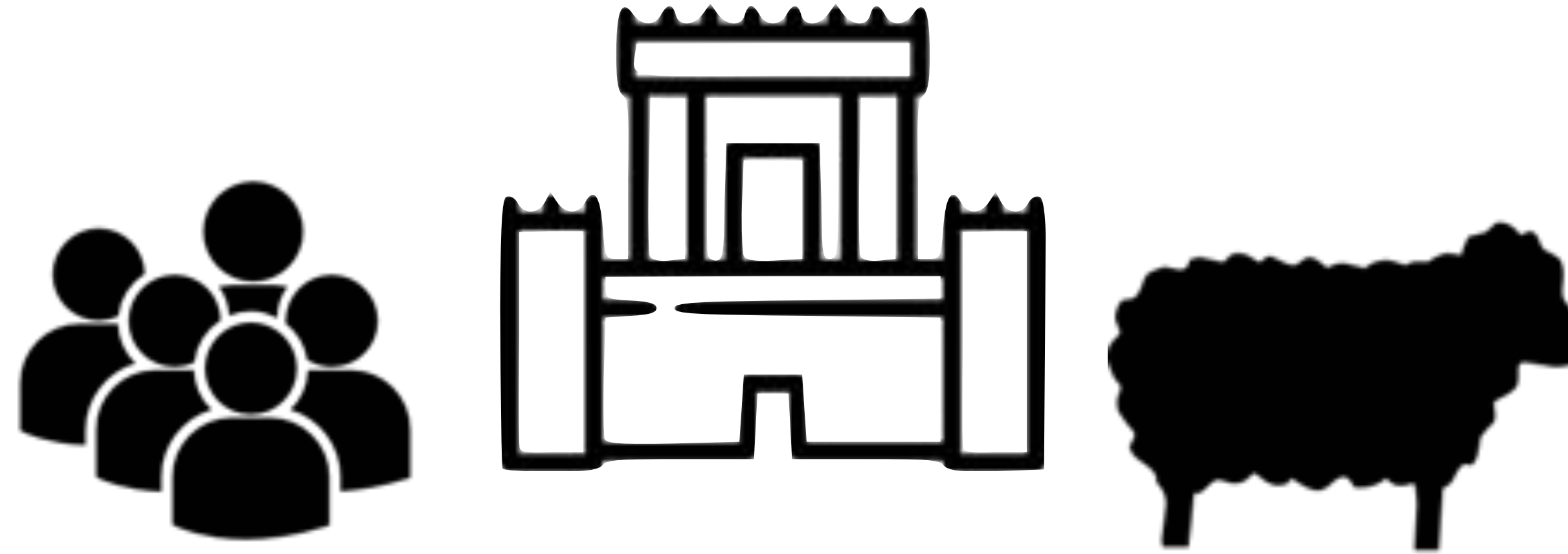
DAVID'S THRONE

Solomon and Hezekiah both **sat on David's throne**



TEMPLE

Solomon **built** the temple, Hezekiah **restored** the temple



TEMPLE DEDICATION

Hezekiah mirrored his temple dedication to Solomon's,

with sacrifices, a gathering, singing, teaching and the feast of booths
(Compare 1 Kings 8 with 2 Chronicles 29:3-34)



PRAYERS

Hezekiah's Levites **echoed Solomon's prayers** as they referred to the Temple as "thy dwelling place"

(Compare 2 Chronicles 30:27 with 2 Chron 6:21, 30,33, 39)



PROSPERITY

And even though it was a weak shadow, Hezekiah did usher in a relative period of prosperity, where the nation was delivered from their enemies, a reminder of the glory of Solomon

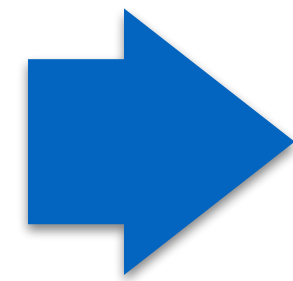


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Proverbs 27:1 Boast not
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Sennacherib's Boast (see also Psalm 75:4)

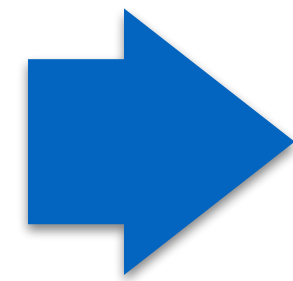
2 Chronicles 32:15 Now therefore let not Hezekiah deceive you, nor persuade you on this manner, neither yet believe him: for no god of any nation or kingdom was able to deliver his people out of mine hand, and out of the hand of my fathers: how much less shall your God deliver you out of mine hand?

Hezekiah's Sickness

Isaiah 38:1 In those days was Hezekiah sick unto death. And Isaiah the prophet the son of Amoz came unto him, and said unto him, Thus saith the LORD, Set thine house in order: for thou shalt die, and not live.



Proverbs 27:2 Let another man praise thee, and not thine own mouth; a stranger, and not thine own lips.

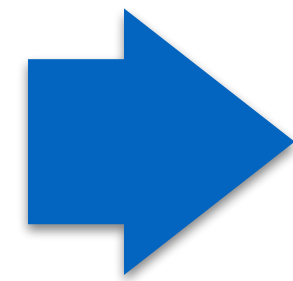


Messengers from Babylon

2 Kings 20:13 And Hezekiah hearkened unto them, and shewed them all the house of his precious things, the silver, and the gold, and the spices, and the precious ointment, and *all* the house of his armour, and all that was found in his treasures: there was nothing in his house, nor in all his dominion, that Hezekiah shewed them not.



Proverbs 27:5 Open rebuke *is* better than secret love. 6 Faithful *are* the wounds of a friend; but the kisses of an enemy *are* deceitful.

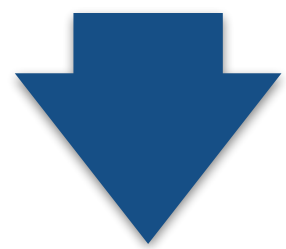


Isaiah's Rebuke

2 Kings 20:16 And Isaiah said unto Hezekiah, Hear the word of the LORD. 17 Behold, the days come, that all that *is* in thine house, and that which thy fathers have laid up in store unto this day, shall be carried into Babylon: nothing shall be left, saith the LORD. 18 And of thy sons that shall issue from thee, which thou shalt beget, shall they take away; and they shall be eunuchs in the palace of the king of Babylon.



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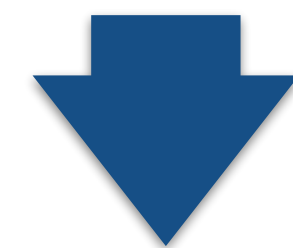
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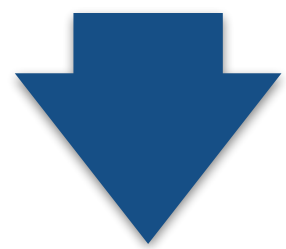
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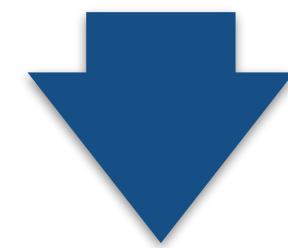


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Proverbs 25:28 (KJV) He that hath no rule over his own spirit is like a city that is broken down, and without walls.

Proverbs 25:28 (ESV) A man without self-control is like a city broken into and left without walls.

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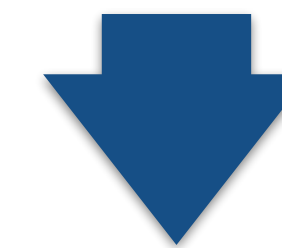
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The diligent man will act!
(Compare with James 4:17,
Proverbs 18:9)

Proverbs 3:27 Do not withhold good from those to whom it is due, when it is in your power to do it. Do not say to your neighbor, 'Go, and come back, and tomorrow I will give it,' when you have it with you.



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The diligent work consistently, steadily and reliably without prodding.

Proverbs 6:6 Go to the ant, thou sluggard; consider her ways, and be wise: which having no guide, overseer, or ruler, provideth her meat in the summer, and gathereth her food in the harvest. How long wilt thou sleep, O sluggard? when wilt thou arise out of thy sleep? Yet a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep: So shall thy poverty come as one that travelleth, and thy want as an armed man.



MATTERS OF THE HEART





Keep thy heart with all diligence;
for out of it are the wellsprings of life.

Proverbs 4:23



Let not mercy and truth forsake thee: bind
them about thy neck; **write them upon
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Proverbs 3:3

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Recognize the folly of
sloth and pursue the
virtue of diligence

Seek a new heart



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CHRIST - THE POWER & WISDOM OF GOD

“Christ the power of God, and the wisdom of God.” - 1 Corinthians 1:24

CLASS FIVE - EXHORTATION

