

Proverbs 24:1-22 **Concise Straight Practical Wise Statements & Advice**

Do Not Envy Evil Men

- 1 Do not be envious of evil men, Nor desire to be with them;
- 2 For their heart devises violence, And their lips talk of troublemaking.

- 3 Through wisdom a house is built, And by understanding it is established;
- 4 By knowledge the rooms are filled With all precious and pleasant riches.

- 5 A wise man *is* strong, Yes, a man of knowledge increases strength;
- 6 For by wise counsel you will wage your own war, And in a multitude of counselors *there is* safety.

- 7 Wisdom *is* too lofty for a fool; He does not open his mouth in the gate.
- 8 He who plots to do evil Will be called a schemer.
- 9 The devising of foolishness *is* sin, And the scoffer *is* an abomination to men.

- 10 *If* you faint in the day of adversity, Your strength *is* small.

- 11 Deliver *those who* are drawn toward death, And hold back *those* stumbling to the slaughter.
- 12 If you say, "Surely we did not know this,"
Does not He who weighs the hearts consider *it*?
He who keeps your soul, does He *not* know *it*?
And will He *not* render to *each* man according to his deeds?

- 13 My son, eat honey because *it is* good, And the honeycomb *which is* sweet to your taste;
- 14 So *shall* the knowledge of wisdom *be* to your soul; If you have found *it*, there is a prospect, And your hope will not be cut off.

- 15 Do not lie in wait, O wicked *man*, against the dwelling of the righteous; Do not plunder his resting place;
- 16 For a righteous *man* may fall seven times And rise again,
But the wicked shall fall by calamity.

- 17 Do not rejoice when your enemy falls, And do not let your heart be glad when he stumbles;
- 18 Lest the LORD see *it*, and it displease Him, And He turn away His wrath from him.

- 19 Do not fret because of evildoers, Nor be envious of the wicked;
- 20 For there will be no prospect for the evil *man*; The lamp of the wicked will be put out.

²¹ My son, fear the LORD and the king;

Do not associate with those given to change;

²² For their calamity will rise suddenly, And who knows the ruin those two can bring?

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Facts Revealed:

- ✧ Short self evident wise statements of Solomon requiring no commentary.
- ✧ Good wise advice.