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Introduction to the Text; Proverbs Chapter 20:1-30

Verse 20:1

Proverbs 20:1

Wine produces mockers; liquor leads to brawls.

Whoever is led astray by drink cannot be wise.

(they cannot because they come under the influence of another power)

Eph. 5:16

redeeming the time, because the days are evil. :17 ¶ Therefore do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord *is*. :18 And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit,

Just as Alcohol will Possess You,
So The Holy Spirit Will Posses You

Luke 11:10-13

For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened. :11 If a son asks for bread from any father among you, will he give him a stone? Or if *he* asks for a fish, will he give him a serpent instead of a fish? :12 Or if he asks for an egg, will he offer him a scorpion? :13 If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will *your* heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him!"

Verse 2

The king's fury is like a lion's roar; to rouse his anger is to risk your life.

Verse 3

Avoiding a fight is a mark of honor; only fools insist on quarreling.

Verse 4

If you are too lazy to plow in the right season, you will have no food at the harvest.

Verse 5

Though good advice lies deep within a person's heart, the wise will draw it out.

Verse 6

Many will say they are loyal friends, but who can find one who is really faithful?

Verse 7

The godly walk with integrity; blessed are their children after them.

Verse 8

When a king judges, he carefully weighs all the evidence,
distinguishing the bad from the good.

Verse 9

Who can say, "I have cleansed my heart; I am pure and free from sin"?

1John 1:7-10

But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin. :8 ¶ If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. :9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. :10 If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us.

John 9:4-5

I must work the works of Him who sent Me while it is day; *the* night is coming when no one can work. :5 As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world."

Matt. 5:11-17

“Blessed are you when they revile and persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely for My sake. :12 Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great *is* your reward in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you. :13 “You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt loses its flavor, how shall it be seasoned? It is then good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men. :14 “You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. :15 Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all *who are* in the house. :16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven. :17 “Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill.

Verse 10

The LORD despises double standards of every kind.

Verse 11

Even children are known by the way they act, whether their conduct is pure and right.

Verse 12

Ears to hear and eyes to see—both are gifts from the LORD.

Verse 13

If you love sleep, you will end in poverty. Keep your eyes open,
and there will be plenty to eat!

Verse 14

The buyer haggles over the price, saying, “It’s worthless,”
then brags about getting a bargain!

Verse 15

Wise speech is rarer and more valuable than gold and rubies.

Verse 16

Be sure to get collateral from anyone who guarantees the debt of a stranger. Get a deposit if someone guarantees the debt of a foreigner.

Verse 17

Stolen bread tastes sweet, but it turns to gravel in the mouth.

Verse 18

Plans succeed through good counsel; don't go to war without the advice of others.

Verse 19

A gossip tells secrets, so don't hang around with someone who talks too much.

Verse 20

If you curse your father or mother, the lamp of your life will be snuffed out.

Verse 21

An inheritance obtained early in life is not a blessing in the end.

Verse 22

Don't say, "I will get even for this wrong." Wait for the LORD to handle the matter.

Verse 23

The LORD despises double standards; he is not pleased by dishonest scales.

Verse 24

How can we understand the road we travel? It is the LORD who directs our steps.

Verse 25

It is dangerous to make a rash promise to God before counting the cost.

Verse 26

A wise king finds the wicked, lays them out like wheat,
then runs the crushing wheel over them.

Verse 27

The LORD's searchlight penetrates the human spirit, exposing every hidden motive.

Verse 28

Unfailing love and faithfulness protect the king;
his throne is made secure through love.

Verse 29

The glory of the young is their strength;
the gray hair of experience is the splendor of the old.

Verse 30

Physical punishment cleanses away evil; such discipline purifies the heart.

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