

THE BOOK OF PROVERBS

THE WISDOM OF SOLOMON

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

THE GOD OF ALL WISDOM

GOD'S WISDOM FOR THE AGES

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Wise Conduct, How To's of Life, Advice

Introduction to the Text; Proverbs Chapter 28:1-28

Verse 1-2

Proverbs 28:1-2

The wicked flee when no one pursues, but the righteous are bold as a lion. ² Because of the transgression of a land, many *are* its princes; But by a man of understanding *and* knowledge Right will be prolonged.

Proverbs 28:2 NLT

When there is moral rot within a nation, its government topples easily. But with wise and knowledgeable leaders, there is stability.

Verse 3

Proverbs 28:3

A poor man who oppresses the poor *is like* a driving rain which leaves no food. = rain that destroys the crops.

Verse 4-5

Proverbs 28:4-5

Those who forsake the law praise the wicked, But such as keep the law contend with them. ⁵ Evil men do not understand justice, But those who seek the LORD understand all. = justice makes sense.

Human Government is Not the Answer.
However, Our Involvement in Government is a Godly
Thing

Verse 6

Proverbs 28:6

Better *is* the poor who walks in his integrity Than one perverse *in his* ways, though he *be* rich.

1 Timothy 6:6-11

Now godliness with contentment is great gain. ⁷ For we brought nothing into *this* world, *and it is* certain we can carry nothing out. ⁸ And having food and clothing, with these we shall be content. ⁹ But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and *into* many foolish and harmful lusts which drown men in destruction and perdition. ¹⁰ For the love of money is a root of all *kinds of* evil, for which some have strayed from the faith in their greediness, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows. ¹¹ But you, O man of God, flee these things and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, gentleness.

Turn to Matt 19:16

the rich, young, ruler

Verse 7

Proverbs 28:7

Whoever keeps the law *is* a discerning son, But a companion of gluttons shames his father.

Proverbs 28:7 NLT

Young people who obey the law are wise; those who seek out worthless companions bring shame to their parents.

Verse 8

Proverbs 28:8

One who increases his possessions by usury and extortion Gathers it for him who will pity the poor. (the Lord will take it from him)

Verse 9

Proverbs 28:9

One who turns away his ear from hearing the law, Even his prayer *is* an abomination.

Verse 10

Proverbs 28:10

Whoever causes the upright to go astray in an evil way, He himself will fall into his own pit; But the blameless will inherit good.

Verse 11

Proverbs 28:11

The rich man *is* wise in his own eyes, But the poor who has understanding, searches the rich man out.

Verse 12

Proverbs 28:12

When the righteous rejoice, *there is* great glory; But when the wicked arise, men hide themselves.

Verse 13

Proverbs 28:13

He who covers his sins will not prosper, But whoever confesses and forsakes *them* will have mercy.

Verse 14

Proverbs 28:14

Happy *is* the man who is always reverent, But he who hardens his heart will fall into calamity.

Verse 15-16

Proverbs 28:15-16

Like a roaring lion and a charging bear *is* a wicked ruler over poor people. ¹⁶
A ruler who lacks understanding *is* a great oppressor, *But* he who hates covetousness will prolong *his* days.

The Saddam Huissian's, Stalin's, Hitlers, Castro's

Verse 17

Proverbs 28:17

A man burdened with bloodshed will flee into a pit; Let no one help him. = *A murderer's tormented conscience will drive him into the grave. Don't protect him!*

Verse 18

Proverbs 28:18

Whoever walks blamelessly will be saved, But *he who is* perverse *in his* ways will suddenly fall.

Verse 19

Proverbs 28:19

He who tills his land will have plenty of bread, But he who follows frivolity will have poverty enough!

Verse 20

Proverbs 28:20

A faithful man will abound with blessings, But he who hastens to be rich will not go unpunished.

Think of great Christian entrepreneurs
like JCPenney, or Sam Walton and Wal-Mart, Michael
Dell, William Colgate

"Colgate university was founded by 13 Baptist men, who together had with 13 dollars
that they offered up to God with 13 prayers."

Harry Snyder
In & Out Burger

Verse 21

Proverbs 28:21

To show partiality *is* not good, Because for a piece of bread a man will transgress.

Verse 22

Proverbs 28:22

A man with an evil eye hastens after riches, And does not consider that poverty will
come upon him.

Verse 23

Proverbs 28:23

He who rebukes a man will find more favor afterward Than he who flatters with the
tongue.

Verse 24

Proverbs 28:24

Whoever robs his father or his mother, And says, "*It is* no transgression," The same *is*
companion to a destroyer.

Verse 25-26

Proverbs 28:25-26

He who is of a proud heart stirs up strife, But he who trusts in the LORD will be prospered. ²⁶ He who trusts in his own heart is a fool, But whoever walks wisely will be delivered.

Verse 27

Proverbs 28:27

He who gives to the poor will not lack, But he who hides his eyes will have many curses.

Verse 28

Proverbs 28:28

When the wicked arise, men hide themselves; But when they perish, the righteous increase.

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