

Proverbs 27:1-27 **Concise Straight Practical Wise Statements & Advice**

My Son, Be Wise

- 1 Do not boast about tomorrow, For you do not know what a day may bring forth.
- 2 Let another man praise you, and not your own mouth; A stranger, and not your own lips.
- 3 A stone *is* heavy and sand *is* weighty, But a fool's wrath *is* heavier than both of them.
- 4 Wrath *is* cruel and anger a torrent, But who *is* able to stand before jealousy?
- 5 Open rebuke *is* better Than love carefully concealed.
- 6 Faithful *are* the wounds of a friend, But the kisses of an enemy *are* deceitful.
- 7 A satisfied soul loathes the honeycomb, But to a hungry soul every bitter thing *is* sweet.
- 8 Like a bird that wanders from its nest *is* a man who wanders from his place.
- 9 Ointment and perfume delight the heart, And the sweetness of a man's friend *gives delight* by hearty counsel.
- 10 Do not forsake your own friend or your father's friend, Nor go to your brother's house in the day of your calamity; Better *is* a neighbor nearby than a brother far away.
- 11 My son, be wise, and make my heart glad, That I may answer him who reproaches me.
- 12 A prudent *man* foresees evil *and* hides himself; The simple pass on *and* are punished.
- 13 Take the garment of him who is surety for a stranger, And hold it in pledge *when* he is surety for a seductress.
- 14 He who blesses his friend with a loud voice, rising early in the morning, It will be counted a curse to him.
- 15 A continual dripping on a very rainy day And a contentious woman are alike;
- 16 Whoever restrains her restrains the wind, And grasps oil with his right hand.

17 As iron sharpens iron, So a man sharpens the countenance of his friend.

18 Whoever keeps the fig tree will eat its fruit; So he who waits on his master will be honored.

19 As in water face *reflects* face, So a man's heart *reveals* the man.

20 Hell* and Destruction* are never full; So the eyes of man are never satisfied.

21 The refining pot *is* for silver and the furnace for gold, And a man *is valued* by what others say of him.

22 Though you grind a fool in a mortar with a pestle along with crushed grain, *Yet* his foolishness will not depart from him.

23 Be diligent to know the state of your flocks, *And* attend to your herds;

24 For riches *are* not forever, Nor does a crown *endure* to all generations.

25 *When* the hay is removed, and the tender grass shows itself, And the herbs of the mountains are gathered in,

26 The lambs *will provide* your clothing, And the goats the price of a field;

27 *You shall have* enough goats' milk for your food, For the food of your household, And the nourishment of your maidservants.

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Facts Revealed:

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