

# Proverbs 3

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## Trust in the LORD with All Your Heart

<sup>1</sup>My son, forget not my teaching; But let thy heart keep my commandments;

<sup>2</sup>For length of days, and years of life, And peace, will they add to thee.

**3**Let not kindness and truth forsake thee; Bind them about thy neck, write them upon the table of thy heart;

**4**So shalt thou find grace and good favour In the sight of God and man.

**5**Trust in the LORD with all thy heart, And lean not upon thine own understanding.

**6**In all thy ways acknowledge Him, And He will direct thy paths.

**7**Be not wise in thine own eyes; Fear the LORD, and depart from evil;

**8**It shall be health to thy navel, And marrow to thy bones.

**9**Honour the LORD with thy substance, And with the first-fruits of all thine increase;

**10**So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, And thy vats shall overflow with new wine.

**11**My son, despise not the chastening of the LORD, Neither spurn thou His correction;

**12**For whom the LORD loveth He correcteth, Even as a father the son in whom he delighteth.

### **The Blessings of Wisdom**

**13**Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, And the man that obtaineth understanding.

**14**For the merchandise of it is better than the merchandise of silver, And the gain thereof than fine gold.

**15**She is more precious than rubies; And all the things thou canst desire are not to be compared unto her.

**16**Length of days is in her right hand; In her left hand are riches and honour.

**17**Her ways are ways of pleasantness, And all her paths are peace.

**18**She is a tree of life to them that lay hold upon her, And happy is every one that holdeth her fast.

**19**The LORD by wisdom founded the earth; By understanding He established the heavens.

**20**By His knowledge the depths were broken up, And the skies drop down the dew.

**21**My son, let not them depart from thine eyes; Keep sound wisdom and discretion;

**22**So shall they be life unto thy soul, And grace to thy neck.

**23**Then shalt thou walk in thy way securely, And thou shalt not dash thy foot.

**24**When thou liest down, thou shalt not be afraid; Yea, thou shalt lie down, and thy sleep shall be sweet.

- 25** Be not afraid of sudden terror, Neither of the destruction of the wicked, when it cometh;
- 26** For the LORD will be thy confidence, And will keep thy foot from being caught.
- 27** Withhold not good from him to whom it is due, When it is in the power of thy hand to do it.
- 28** Say not unto thy neighbour: 'Go, and come again, And to-morrow I will give'; when thou hast it by thee.
- 29** Devise not evil against thy neighbour, Seeing he dwelleth securely by thee.
- 30** Strive not with a man without cause, If he have done thee no harm.
- 31** Envy thou not the man of violence, And choose none of his ways.
- 32** For the perverse is an abomination to the LORD; But His counsel is with the upright.
- 33** The curse of the LORD is in the house of the wicked; But He blesseth the habitation of the righteous.
- 34** If it concerneth the scorers, He scorneth them, But unto the humble He giveth grace.
- 35** The wise shall inherit honour; But as for the fools, they carry away shame.