## **Proverbs 14**

## JPS [Online]

## **The Wise Woman**

- <sup>1</sup>Every wise woman buildeth her house; But the foolish plucketh it down with her hands.
- <sup>2</sup>He that walketh in his uprightness feareth the LORD; But he that is perverse in his ways despiseth Him.
- <sup>3</sup>In the mouth of the foolish is a rod of pride; But the lips of the wise shall preserve them.
- 4Where no oxen are, the crib is clean; But much increase is by the strength of the ox.
- <sup>5</sup>A faithful witness will not lie; But a false witness breatheth forth lies.
- <sup>6</sup>A scorner seeketh wisdom, and findeth it not; But knowledge is easy unto him that hath discernment.
- **7**Go from the presence of a foolish man, for thou wilt not perceive the lips of knowledge.
- 8The wisdom of the prudent is to look well to his way; But the folly of fools is deceit.
- <sup>9</sup>Amends pleadeth for fools; But among the upright there is good will.
- <sup>10</sup>The heart knoweth its own bitterness; And with its joy no stranger can intermeddle.
- 11 The house of the wicked shall be overthrown; But the tent of the upright shall flourish.
- 12There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, But the end thereof are the ways of death.
- 13 Even in laughter the heart acheth; And the end of mirth is heaviness.
- <sup>14</sup>The dissembler in heart shall have his fill from his own ways; And a good man shall be satisfied from himself.
- 15The thoughtless believeth every word; But the prudent man looketh well to his going.
- <sup>16</sup>A wise man feareth, and departeth from evil; But the fool behaveth overbearingly, and is confident.
- 17He that is soon angry dealeth foolishly; And a man of wicked devices is hated.
- 18The thoughtless come into possession of folly; But the prudent are crowned with knowledge.
- 19The evil bow before the good, And the wicked at the gates of the righteous.
- <sup>20</sup>The poor is hated even of his own neighbour; But the rich hath many friends.
- <sup>21</sup>He that despiseth his neighbour sinneth; But he that is gracious unto the humble, happy is he.
- <sup>22</sup>Shall they not go astray that devise evil? But mercy and truth shall be for them that devise good.

- <sup>23</sup>In all labour there is profit; But the talk of the lips tendeth only to penury.
- <sup>24</sup>The crown of the wise is their riches; But the folly of fools remaineth folly.
- <sup>25</sup>A true witness delivereth souls; But he that breatheth forth lies is all deceit.
- <sup>26</sup>In the fear of the LORD a man hath strong confidence; And his children shall have a place of refuge.
- <sup>27</sup>The fear of the LORD is a fountain of life, to depart from the snares of death.
- <sup>28</sup>In the multitude of people is the king's glory; But in the want of people is the ruin of the prince.
- <sup>29</sup>He that is slow to anger is of great understanding; But he that is hasty of spirit exalteth folly.
- <sup>30</sup>A tranquil heart is the life of the flesh; But envy is the rottenness of the bones.
- <sup>31</sup>He that oppresseth the poor blasphemeth his Maker; But he that is gracious unto the needy honoureth Him.
- <sup>32</sup>The wicked is thrust down in his misfortune; But the righteous, even when he is brought to death, hath hope.
- <sup>33</sup>In the heart of him that hath discernment wisdom resteth; But in the inward part of fools it maketh itself known.
- <sup>34</sup>Righteousness exalteth a nation; But sin is a reproach to any people.
- 35The king's favour is toward a servant that dealeth wisely; But his wrath striketh him that dealeth shamefully.