

Proverbs 15

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A Gentle Answer Turns Away Wrath

- ¹A soft answer turneth away wrath; But a grievous word stirreth up anger.
- ²The tongue of the wise useth knowledge aright; But the mouth of fools poureth out foolishness.
- ³The eyes of the LORD are in every place, Keeping watch upon the evil and the good.
- ⁴A soothing tongue is a tree of life; But perverseness therein is a wound to the spirit.
- ⁵A fool despiseth his father's correction; But he that regardeth reproof is prudent.
- ⁶In the house of the righteous is much treasure; But in the revenues of the wicked is trouble.
- ⁷The lips of the wise disperse knowledge; But the heart of the foolish is not stedfast.

- 8**The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination to the LORD; But the prayer of the upright is His delight.
- 9**The way of the wicked is an abomination to the LORD; But He loveth him that followeth after righteousness.
- 10**There is grievous correction for him that forsaketh the way; And he that hateth reproof shall die.
- 11**The nether-world and Destruction are before the LORD; How much more then the hearts of the children of men!
- 12**A scorner loveth not to be reprov'd; He will not go unto the wise.
- 13**A merry heart maketh a cheerful countenance; But by sorrow of heart the spirit is broken.
- 14**The heart of him that hath discernment seeketh knowledge; But the mouth of fools feedeth on folly.
- 15**All the days of the poor are evil; But he that is of a merry heart hath a continual feast.
- 16**Better is little with the fear of the LORD, Than great treasure and turmoil therewith.
- 17**Better is a dinner of herbs where love is, Than a stalled ox and hatred therewith.
- 18**A wrathful man stirreth up discord; But he that is slow to anger appeaseth strife.
- 19**The way of the sluggard is as though hedged by thorns; But the path of the upright is even.
- 20**A wise son maketh a glad father; But a foolish man despiseth his mother.
- 21**Folly is joy to him that lacketh understanding; But a man of discernment walketh straightforwards.
- 22**For want of counsel purposes are frustrated; But in the multitude of counsellors they are established.
- 23**A man hath joy in the answer of his mouth; And a word in due season, how good is it!
- 24**The path of life goeth upward for the wise, that he may depart from the nether-world beneath.
- 25**The LORD will pluck up the house of the proud; But He will establish the border of the widow.
- 26**The thoughts of wickedness are an abomination to the LORD; But words of pleasantness are pure.
- 27**He that is greedy of gain troubleth his own house; But he that hateth gifts shall live.
- 28**The heart of the righteous studieth to answer; But the mouth of the wicked poureth out evil things.
- 29**The LORD is far from the wicked; But He heareth the prayer of the righteous.
- 30**The light of the eyes rejoiceth the heart; And a good report maketh the bones fat.
- 31**The ear that hearkeneth to the reproof of life abideth among the wise.

32He that refuseth correction despiseth his own soul; But he that hearkeneth to reproof getteth understanding.

33The fear of the LORD is the instruction of wisdom; And before honour goeth humility.