## **Proverbs 29**

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The Flourishing of the Righteous

- <sup>1</sup>He that being often reproved hardeneth his neck Shall suddenly be broken, and that without remedy.
- <sup>2</sup>When the righteous are increased, the people rejoice; But when the wicked beareth rule, the people sigh.
- <sup>3</sup>Whoso loveth wisdom rejoiceth his father; But he that keepeth company with harlots wasteth his substance.
- <sup>4</sup>The king by justice establisheth the land; But he that exacteth gifts overthroweth it.
- <sup>5</sup>A man that flattereth his neighbour Spreadeth a net for his steps.
- <sup>6</sup>In the transgression of an evil man there is a snare; But the righteous doth sing and rejoice.
- <sup>7</sup>The righteous taketh knowledge of the cause of the poor; The wicked understandeth not knowledge.
- <sup>8</sup>Scornful men set a city in a blaze; But wise men turn away wrath.
- <sup>9</sup>If a wise man contendeth with a foolish man, Whether he be angry or laugh, there will be no rest.
- **10**The men of blood hate him that is sincere; And as for the upright, they seek his life.
- <sup>11</sup>A fool spendeth all his spirit; But a wise man stilleth it within him.
- 12If a ruler hearkeneth to falsehood, All his servants are wicked.
- 13The poor man and the oppressor meet together; The LORD giveth light to the eyes of them both.
- 14The king that faithfully judgeth the poor, His throne shall be established for ever.
- 15The rod and reproof give wisdom; But a child left to himself causeth shame to his mother.
- **16**When the wicked are increased, transgression increaseth; But the righteous shall gaze upon their fall.
- <sup>17</sup>Correct thy son, and he will give thee rest; Yea, he will give delight unto thy soul.
- 18Where there is no vision, the people cast off restraint; But he that keepeth the law, happy is he.
- <sup>19</sup>A servant will not be corrected by words; For though he understand, there will be no response.
- <sup>20</sup>Seest thou a man that is hasty in his words? There is more hope for a fool than for him.
- <sup>21</sup>He that delicately bringeth up his servant from a child Shall have him become master at the last.
- <sup>22</sup>An angry man stirreth up strife, And a wrathful man aboundeth in transgression.
- <sup>23</sup>A man's pride shall bring him low; But he that is of a lowly spirit shall attain to honour.
- <sup>24</sup>Whoso is partner with a thief hateth his own soul: He heareth the adjuration and uttereth nothing.

- <sup>25</sup>The fear of man bringeth a snare; But whoso putteth his trust in the LORD shall be set up on high.
- <sup>26</sup>Many seek the ruler's favour; But a man's judgment cometh from the LORD.
- <sup>27</sup>An unjust man is an abomination to the righteous; And he that is upright in the way is an abomination to the wicked.