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1 ¶ Better *is* a dry morsel, and quietness therewith, than an house full of sacrifices *with* strife.

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2 ¶ A wise servant shall have rule over a son that causeth shame, and shall have part of the inheritance among the brethren.

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3 ¶ The fining pot *is* for silver, and the furnace for gold: but the LORD trieth the hearts.

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4 ¶ A wicked doer giveth heed to false lips; *and* a liar giveth ear to a naughty tongue.

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5 ¶ Whoso mocketh the poor reproacheth his Maker: *and* he that is glad at calamities shall not be unpunished.

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6 ¶ Children's children *are* the crown of old men; and the glory of children *are* their fathers.

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7 ¶ Excellent speech becometh not a fool: much less do lying lips a prince.

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8 ¶ A gift *is* as a precious stone in the eyes of him that hath it: whithersoever it turneth, it prospereth.

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9 ¶ He that covereth a transgression seeketh love; but he that repeateth a matter separateth *very* friends.

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10 ¶ A reproof entereth more into a wise man than an hundred stripes into a fool.

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11 ¶ An evil *man* seeketh only rebellion: therefore a cruel messenger shall be sent against him.

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12 ¶ Let a bear robbed of her whelps meet a man, rather than a fool in his folly.

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13 ¶ Whoso rewardeth evil for good, evil shall not depart from his house.

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14 ¶ The beginning of strife *is* as when one letteth out water: therefore leave off contention, before it be meddled with.

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15 ¶ He that justifieth the wicked, and he that condemneth the just, even they both *are* abomination to the LORD.

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16 ¶ Wherefore *is there* a price in the hand of a fool to get wisdom, seeing *he hath* no heart *to it*?

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17 ¶ A friend loveth at all times, and a brother is born for adversity.

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18 ¶ A man void of understanding striketh hands, *and* becometh surety in the presence of his friend.

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19 ¶ He loveth transgression that loveth strife: *and* he that exalteth his gate seeketh destruction.

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20 ¶ He that hath a froward heart findeth no good: and he that hath a perverse tongue falleth into mischief.

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21 ¶ He that begetteth a fool *doeth it* to his sorrow: and the father of a fool hath no

joy.

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22 ¶ A merry heart doeth good *like* a medicine: but a broken spirit drieth the bones.

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23 ¶ A wicked *man* taketh a gift out of the bosom to pervert the ways of judgment.

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24 ¶ Wisdom *is* before him that hath understanding; but the eyes of a fool *are* in the ends of the earth.

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25 ¶ A foolish son *is* a grief to his father, and bitterness to her that bare him.

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26 ¶ Also to punish the just *is* not good, *nor* to strike princes for equity.

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27 ¶ He that hath knowledge spareth his words: *and* a man of understanding is of an excellent spirit.

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28 Even a fool, when he holdeth his peace, is counted wise: *and* he that shutteth his lips *is esteemed* a man of understanding.