

Proverbs19

- 19 Better the poor whose walk is blameless than a fool whose lips are perverse.
- 2 Desire without knowledge is not good— how much more will hasty feet miss the way!
- 3 A person's own folly leads to their ruin, yet their heart rages against the Lord.
- 4 Wealth attracts many friends, but even the closest friend of the poor person deserts them.
- 5 A false witness will not go unpunished, and whoever pours out lies will not go free.
- 6 Many curry favor with a ruler, and everyone is the friend of one who gives gifts.
- 7 The poor are shunned by all their relatives— how much more do their friends avoid them! Though the poor pursue them with pleading, they are nowhere to be found.[a]
- 8 The one who gets wisdom loves life; the one who cherishes understanding will soon prosper.
- 9 A false witness will not go unpunished, and whoever pours out lies will perish.
- 10 It is not fitting for a fool to live in luxury— how much worse for a slave to rule over princes!
- 11 A person's wisdom yields patience; it is to one's glory to overlook an offense.
- 12 A king's rage is like the roar of a lion, but his favor is like dew on the grass.
- 13 A foolish child is a father's ruin, and a quarrelsome wife is like the constant dripping of a leaky roof.
- 14 Houses and wealth are inherited from parents, but a prudent wife is from the Lord.
- 15 Laziness brings on deep sleep, and the shiftless go hungry.
- 16 Whoever keeps commandments keeps their life, but whoever shows contempt for their ways will die.
- 17 Whoever is kind to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will reward them for what they have done.
- 18 Discipline your children, for in that there is hope; do not be a willing party to their death.
- 19 A hot-tempered person must pay the penalty; rescue them, and you will have to do it again.
- 20 Listen to advice and accept discipline, and at the end you will be counted among the wise.
- 21 Many are the plans in a person's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails.
- 22 What a person desires is unfailing love[b]; better to be poor than a liar.
- 23 The fear of the Lord leads to life; then one rests content, untouched by trouble.
- 24 A sluggard buries his hand in the dish; he will not even bring it back to his mouth!
- 25 Flog a mocker, and the simple will learn prudence; rebuke the discerning, and they will gain knowledge.
- 26 Whoever robs their father and drives out their mother is a child who brings shame and disgrace.
- 27 Stop listening to instruction, my son, and you will stray from the words of knowledge.
- 28 A corrupt witness mocks at justice, and the mouth of the wicked gulps down evil.
- 29 Penalties are prepared for mockers, and beatings for the backs of fools.