**CHAPTER** **13**

**1** A WISE son heareth the doctrine of his father: but he that is a scorner, heareth not when he is reproved.

**2** Of the fruit of his own mouth shall a man be filled with good things: but the soul of transgressors is wicked.

**3** He that keepeth his mouth, keepeth his soul: but he that hath no guard on his speech shall meet with evils.

**4** The sluggard willeth and willeth not: but the soul of them that work, shall be made fat.

**5** The just shall hate a lying word: but the wicked confoundeth, and shall be confounded.

**6** Justice keepeth the way of the innocent: but wickedness overthroweth the sinner.

**7** One is as it were rich, when he hath nothing: and another is as it were poor, when he hath great riches.

**8** The ransom of a man’s life are his riches: but he that is poor beareth not reprehension.

**9** The light of the just giveth joy: but the lamp of the wicked shall be put out.

**10** Among the proud there are always contentions: but they that do all things with counsel, are ruled by wisdom.

**11** Substance got in haste shall be diminished: but that which by little and little is gathered with the hand shall increase.

**12** Hope that is deferred afflicteth the soul: desire when it cometh is a tree of life.

**13** Whosoever speaketh ill of any thing, bindeth himself for the time to come: but he that feareth the commandment, shall dwell in peace. Deceitful souls go astray in sins: the just are merciful, and shew mercy.

**14** The law of the wise is a fountain of life, that he may decline from the ruin of death.

**15** Good instruction shall give grace: in the way of scorners is a deep pit.

**16** The prudent man doth all things with counsel: but he that is a fool, layeth open his folly.

**17** The messenger of the wicked shall fall into mischief: but a faithful ambassador is health.

**18** Poverty and shame to him that refuseth instruction: but he that yieldeth to reproof, shall be glorified.

**19** The desire that is accomplished, delighteth the soul: fools hate them that flee from evil things.

**20** He that walketh with the wise, shall be wise: a friend of fools shall become like to them.

**21** Evil pursueth sinners: and to the just good shall be repaid.

**22** The good man leaveth heirs, sons, and grandsons: and the substance of the sinner is kept for the just.

**23** Much food is in the tillage of fathers: but for others it is gathered without judgment.

**24** He that spareth the rod hateth his son: but he that loveth him correcteth him betimes.

**25** The just eateth and filleth his soul: but the belly of the wicked is never to be filled.