

America has some American Joshuas to lead us. Joshua in 1:7-9 instructed his people to obey and be immersed in the Bible of his time. In light of the preceding fact he then said, “Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the Lord your God is with thee whithersoever thou goest.” Joshua says that God will make you prosperous and you shall have good success by obeying and being immersed in the Bible. ... Note that Joshua was not elected to lead – he was appointed by God. Note also we do not have to be elected to lead. God can appoint us to lead in some small unelected way for our civilization even though the public may think that it is insignificant. And especially note that we can displease God and we can mess up what God has appointed us to do with something as simple as what comes out of our mouth! Seek forgiveness! Apologize! Sincerely!

The document you are reading is in appreciation of our American Joshuas past and present.

THE SOLOMON PROJECT

beginning with
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An American Revival And A Slingshot
A Personal Look At American Democracy

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Solomon’s “Book Of Proverbs” As A Prayer

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Chapter One of Two

An American Revival And A Slingshot

A Personal Look At American Democracy

Hello from Daniel,

Proposition: America is losing the primary religion of our Founders that God greatly blest more than any other civilization in human history; thus, this is resulting with national decline. But for individually and possibly for all, we can revive and the structure hopefully is still there for all who accept.

Why read this?

You may ask why should I take time to read this by a country boy, musician, educator, and adult independent study student of Biblical Christianity that is in the midst of varying opinions? That's a reasonable question.

May I suggest two (2) reasons. One reason is a preacher story about being careful how you think. And, the second is a music video on my website danielhookemusic.com on the Music Videos link titled "The Birth, Life, Death, And Resurrection Of Jesus Christ" which was the primary religion of our Founders.

- (1) A certain robber was robbing a house and a parrot suddenly said, "Jesus is watching you." The robber shrugged it off and continued his robbery. The parrot said again, "Jesus is watching you." The robber began to get upset thinking that maybe he needed a vacation or something and he blurted out to the parrot, "What's your name?" The parrot said, "Moses". The robber was getting disturbed and hollered out, "MOSES? What kind of people would name a parrot "Moses?" The Parrot said, "The same kind of people that would name a Doberman Pinscher 'Jesus'".

(2) On your computer, you (and maybe your family) listen to and view: “The Birth, Life, Death, And Resurrection Of Jesus Christ” a Major Work on the danielhookemusic.com website on the Music Videos link. This is the primary religion of our Founders.

This document is written from the standpoint of my political beliefs - but I hope you find it good reading from any political perspective. These are things that God used to establish the great America and to help Americans! I would humbly be honored if you read my position paper. Thanks! Otherwise, Have A Good Life! God Bless You!

Please continue.

Clarification.

May I clarify something in my defense? I am an older American. There are two kinds of older Americans: some are older in their life span and some are older in the brain. Some people are old in the brain at 26! which can be a matter of choice. Some are older in their life span but are fortunate to have a young brain. I have a young brain that still does many complex things. I have several things ready for Copyright since the beginning of the year 2023. Moses didn't get started until he was 80 which gives me a lot of comfort. I think I recently heard on the TV that life expectancy is now 100. In the past I heard one person say that the way to live until 100 is to live to 99 and then be very, very careful!

Now some questions in defense of you.

If your opposing political party is allowing Federal Government special counsel lawsuits against the leading Presidential candidate in one party which smacks of election interference, would you feel safe if you become the leading Presidential candidate?

If these election interference lawsuits are successful in personal destruction of one party's leading Presidential candidate, will the supporters of that candidate support you if you were the candidate of that party or support any of that party's wonderful candidates or will they just not vote and let your opposing party's candidate win the election?

If ten or more candidates in your party are running for President, do you realize that your chance of winning your party's nomination is possibly ten or less percent if you were the candidate? Candidates hang in there. We need your message. God Bless!

Are you aware of the lawsuit brought against one of our former beloved Virginia Governors? It was brought by the same Federal Government special counsel from the lawsuit we just mentioned. Many think that the Governor's trial was a political campaign personal destruction hit since the Governor was being considered for a Vice President candidate position. The Federal Government had difficulty distinguishing between a gift and a bribe. At the time of the trial, I heard that over 450 people came to the defense of the Governor. If the Federal Government ever comes down on me, I hope that I may have 450 come to my aid. When I saw the Governor on TV during the trial, all he said was that Jesus Christ would help him through this. The case has now disintegrated and disappeared. After 3 years of the Governor's life, and 28 million dollars, and too late to campaign for Vice President the lawsuit was overturned by the Supreme Court 8-0. The Governor never got to be Vice President. Life is not always fair. Ask Jesus Christ Who was crucified to death after a government unfair trial! You might also notice that Jesus Christ ask God to forgive those who killed Him as He hung on the cross to die.

Do you realize that you could be the next victim for a Federal Government special counsel, maybe by the same special counsel if you are the candidate?

As an American citizen I read conflicting opinions about this Federal Government special counsel lawsuits against the leading Presidential candidate of one party which smacks of election interference. It is not a matter of liking a candidate and his rhetoric but a case of fairness!

It is un-American and unfair to do something like this lawsuit during an election to any candidate and any political party! This does not imply support for the leading candidate or his rhetoric. Let's make this election about ideas! May all Americans be forgiving to take bitterness out of our hearts for any unfairness and move on in peace with our lives to help this great country even if counter lawsuits need to be filed.

At the writing of this document the leading Presidential candidate of another party is also getting a lot of unusual criminal-accusing attention. There are very strong conflicting opinions between political parties. There are very strong conflicting opinions between factions within each political party. How would our Founders react to our messes?

Please understand that the document that you are now reading is not about the Presidential election. This document is about the decline in America. This document is about God and the decline in America. This document will leave the election in God's hands. He handles things bigger than some nation's single election. Job 26:7-8 He {God} stretches out the north over the empty place, and hangs the earth upon nothing. He binds up the waters in his thick clouds; and the cloud is not rent under them. Daniel 2:21 And He changes the times and the seasons: He removes kings, and sets up kings. Romans 9:17-18 For the Scripture said unto Pharaoh, "Even for this same purpose have I raised you up, that I might show My power in you, and that My name might be declared throughout all the earth." Therefore He has mercy on whom He will have mercy, and whom He will He hardens. Remember the end of king Saul who disobeyed God? No current candidate seems to be a political spiritual leader like Joshua. Joshua 24:31 And Israel served the Lord all the days of Joshua, and all the days of the elders that overlived Joshua, and which had known all the works of the Lord, that he had done for Israel. God is watching the election. However, God is more likely greatly concerned about the decline of America. Job 12:23 "He {God} increases the nations, and destroys them: He enlarges the nations, and straitens them again.

Is God deaf? Does He not know what is going on? Of course He knows and decides how to deal with any civilization! Study past human history. Do you also know from the Scriptures what is on the horizon for all of future human history?

I have not heard the election mention the word "God" or "Jesus Christ". It is as if we can solve our problems by our own wits using our founding documents alone. But our Founders knew that we needed religion. George Washington said, "And let us with caution indulge the supposition, that morality can be maintained without religion. Whatever may be conceded to the influence of refined education on minds of peculiar structure, reason and experience both forbid us to expect, that national morality can prevail in exclusion of religious principle." Heaven is a wonderful Paradise! Hell is a

very hot place with many eternal very undesirable features! Our Founders knew God's love for us all and the way that we can be eternally with Him. Also, remember the telling about Daniel and the lion's den when Daniel was persecuted in the Bible. The persecutors ended up being thrown into the lion's den in place of Daniel!

Let's all do personal examination. Let's work, pray, and act with God to make our nation as it should be both for us and for our children!

Proper attitude.

Our Founders primary religion of Colonial American Christianity is like Biblical Christianity as I see it from my lengthy independent study.

From the greatest Man that ever lived: Jesus Christ, the Son of God, Who died for our sins in our place so that we can live with a holy God forever:

“You have heard that it has been said, ‘You shall love your neighbour, and hate your enemy’. But I say unto you, ‘Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you;’”

Would you like to pray for your enemies who you hate you, who despitefully use you, who curse you, who persecute you, or would you like to hate your enemies?

Why? There is a difference between hating your enemies and hating your enemies' philosophies. God will bless those who forgive their enemies! “If your enemy be hungry, give him bread to eat; and if he be thirsty, give him water to drink: For you shall heap coals of fire upon his head, and the Lord shall reward you.” - - and the Lord shall reward you!

Do you choose bitterness in your heart or peace in your heart? Would you like rewards from the Lord or can you get along without them?

Hate your enemies or hate your enemies' philosophies?

Therefore: a prayer session worship service for you and the nation is being made “The Solomon Project”.

These prayers involve a kind of “Slingshot Prayers For An American Revival.”

Why a poetic slingshot? More on the slingshot and more on these prayer sessions later.

Who is our enemy?

So, who is our enemy in this America dissension?

The Federal Government is our enemy!

The Federal Government has busted into homes with guns at 3 AM in the morning sending the occupants outside with not much more than their underwear and they bring news TV cameras with them as they do search and seizures. The Federal Government has harassed some to the point that they had to sell their house! The Federal Government can come after you! The Federal Government can come after me! The Federal Government can come after anyone! And there is nothing to stop them!

The Federal Government has many other problems that could lead God to cast us on the dust heap of former nations!

Now, What is going on here?

We are at war! We are in a cultural war! We have many good things going in America. But we are at war! America is at war with those seeking to destroy or replace our Colonial beginnings which God has so richly blest. The Federal Government is the vehicle being used to destroy our Colonial beginnings. We lose our Nation of freedom if we lose this war against Colonial America. We are also in great danger of losing our tremendous blessings from God! No nation on earth has been blest like America. At the root of all of our woes is the fact that we do not have a political problem in America - - we have a religious problem! America has gotten away from religion. American has gotten away from our religious Founders. God gave us the ideas for a great new nation not we ourselves came up with these ideas. It was God’s blessings and grace that brought these ideas to pass - - it was not in our own strength to make them happen. Our Founders were a

religious people. We are in great danger of losing our tremendous blessings from God! Let's not lose this war!

Thus, as we continue our talking I want to give you something to be thinking about. At the root of all of our woes is the fact that we do not have a political problem in America - - we have a religious problem! America has gotten away from religion. American has gotten away from our religious Founders. God gave us the ideas for a great new nation not we ourselves came up with these ideas. It was God's blessings and grace that brought these ideas to pass - - it was not in our own strength to make them happen. Our Founders were a religious people. I have sat in Churches where George Washington sat. A large throng of families that became our first Americans had come to this land to escape religious persecution against Christians. As I am also a Christian, I must admit that I am writing this examination of America from the perspective of my Biblical Christian religion. Christianity is named after Jesus Christ whom Christians and most of our Founders accept as the Son of God in human form, the long awaited Messiah, the Christ our Savior which He claimed to be and gave evidence for such. Since the world began there has only been one Person to say that He would rise from the dead never to die again to show that He would die for our sins in place of us so that you and I would be qualified to live with our holy, loving God forever when you and I accept this Jesus Christ. And thus I also accept the Bible because Jesus Christ, the Son of God, supports the Bible both the Old Testament and New Testament, the message of the prophets and apostles, including Paul who Jesus asked to speak for Him; and, the New Testament reinterprets the Old Testament because the New Testament is God's Covenant with us for now. Accepting Jesus Christ means that you will follow Him: His teachings, His guidance from consulting Him in prayer, asking forgiveness of sins which He obtained for us, using His message that He gives to us through the message of the Bible prophets and apostles which He endorses, leading a new life which is called repenting, etc.; and, of course, there are benefits in this life and the next. He also guides us in our seeking mind by putting ideas in our mind as we pray.

Our Founders told us what is the source of their success.

Our Founders realized that there is a power greater than government and politicians. When our Founders whom God so richly blest with our fantastic new nation in human history - - when our Founders put ideas into the Declaration of Independence they declared their great faith in God with such

phrases as: “of Nature’s God entitle them”, and “they are endowed by their Creator”, and “appealing to the Supreme Judge of the World”, and “with a firm Reliance on the Protection of divine Providence”. We have “In God We Trust” on our money. “Under God” is in our Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. I have been told that things like Bible verses, the Ten Commandments, and supposed likenesses of Moses have been chiseled or otherwise engraved on buildings in Washington. The Bible verses and Ten Commandments are engraved on buildings in Washington because they were engraved on the hearts of our ancestors. They wanted to acknowledge God and show that they knew that their destiny depends on God rather than the Government. Little did they know that they were telling American babies born in the future what is the source of the success of America. We are those babies born in the future. And we are the specific babies born into an America that has gotten away from religion - - especially the Federal Government has gotten away from religion. So again I say, “At the root of our woes is the fact that we do not have a political problem in America -- we have a religious problem! America has gotten away from religion.” Can any man-made political/economical system succeed if God does not bless it? If we do not acknowledge God, why should God acknowledge us?

Before we discuss more about the cultural war that we are in, hear these words of history from another document by the writer of this document:

In my lifetime I have seen a number of civilizations collapse. Germany was a great Christian nation with leading scientific advances with some of the highest arts in the world such as in music yet in a few years it went under as a civilization ending with a world war. Germany became one of the most murderous governments of horror in human history. By the time uninformed and inactive citizens belatedly realized what was going on, they could not stop the killing unless they wanted to be one of the killed and meanwhile their civilization then went under. The German Christians waited until it was too late as poignantly and sadly illustrated by one event in the world war. It was Christmas Eve. The German army of Christians wanted to be home celebrating Christmas instead of being on a battlefield. Likewise the opposing army from another country was an army of Christians who wanted to be home celebrating Christmas. In that battlefield of heavy hearts, that Christmas Eve someone started singing “Silent Night” and this quickly became both armies singing “Silent Night” to each other. The soldiers laid down their arms and walk out to meet each other to celebrate Christmas. They exchanged small items as Christmas gifts. Then, hours later when they

had returned to their respective sides they returned to shooting and killing each other - - Christian against Christian because German Christians did not get politically involved soon enough to save their civilization if possible and the world history of humans became an unbelievable mess. I recently saw an old, old soldier tell about the end of that horrible war after it ended. He went into the Jewish death camps run by the nazis. The soldier was there to help free the prisoners. They were not much more than a bag of bones. As he approached a Jewish gentleman: the skinny, frail, struggling man got up and hugged the soldier. Then the old soldier wept as he said the man got down and kissed his feet. In France not that long ago in human history before my life, other horrible things happened. In our time we cringe seeing terrorists cutting off the heads of people. But in France back in those days, the hatred was so great between groups that they made a machine called the guillotine to cut people's heads off. It has been said that England would have likely had the same bloodbath had it not been for the preaching of John Wesley. In our country just a few generations back, in the area of the United States where I grew up, people made devices to propel hard objects at each other with the expressed purpose of killing each other which they did - - killing thousands of us! We did this to our own people! Where I grew up during that war a 16 miles long column of fleeing refugees in a 1,600 wagon train left Rockingham County, Virginia and went to Martinsburg, West Virginia to escape the burning of the fertile Shenandoah Valley of Virginia where the food for one side of the war was raised. This happened in the United States of America! Had it not been for Abraham Lincoln, America as the United States would have gone under. Some of the problem was due to misinterpreting the Bible. The Bible has help for persons trapped in slavery. However, the Devil tried to tempt people to use the Bible to justify their ideas rather than letting the Bible justify their souls with God's grace of Jesus Christ. Then there are others like the terrible government atrocities of Idi Amin, and murderous communist dictators. And others that we do not know about because they did not get the publicity. The famous advanced Roman civilization in the time of Jesus became corrupt with moral depravity and could not tax their conquered people enough to sustain the government. Romans who were in power attended their social and culture events while the civilization rotted out from under them. However, even though the Romans did not survive, the Christian religion of Jesus Christ in Rome still

survives today. The book in the New Testament part of the Bible which was specifically written for the first Romans in the Christian religion of Jesus Christ is called the "Book Of Romans". The Roman civilization decayed and collapsed but the Christian religion of Jesus is still here today and was also the religion of our Founders. To start to know the religion of our Founders, the Book Of Romans and the New Testament book of "John" are a good place to start. The Book Of Romans can show us how some people made it through a civilization on its way to collapse. The book of John in the New Testament is a good introduction to Jesus. I have set a reading of the book of John to art music which you can get at the danielhookemusic.com website; available as a music video or as recordings.

Our American Founders like Washington, Madison, Jefferson, Mason, and Patrick Henry were gifted, studied, contemplative thinkers and most were adult life-long Christian converts of Christian families. During the several decades preceding the Revolutionary War, the colonies were going through what was called a religious Great Awakening. There were many powerful preachers who were great orators. Many people became Christians. Three notable of these preachers were Jonathan Edwards, George Whitefield, and Samuel Davies. George Whitefield was an actor who became a traveling preacher. He preached very dramatic sermons. He preached outside because he drew such large crowds that the community did not have a hall large enough to hold these crowds. Benjamin Franklin became a friend of George Whitefield and printed many of his sermons. These powerful preachers gave a rather complete picture of the relationship of life on this earth and life after earthly death so that it makes more sense. They spoke of heaven and hell to believers and unbelievers just like Jesus Christ did in Luke 16:1, 14-31. Jesus also talked about a place of outer darkness where there is weeping and gnashing of teeth. And Jesus told the repentant thief crucified beside Him that today they would be in a place of Paradise. These Great Awakening preachers presented Jesus Christ as our Savior who died for our sins for those who accept Him. The Bible tells us that God loves us and has mercy on us as sinners compare to His holy standards thus He gave us Jesus. Although the Bible is for believers; in settings addressed to unbelievers, the Bible presents Jesus as God's Way for us in Acts 4:12, Acts

17, John 3, John 14:6, actually all the book of John is written for unbelievers as shown by the fact that John gave a summary of his book by saying in 29:30-31, "And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book: but these are written, that you might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing you might have life through His Name". Jesus came into world to save the world not to condemn the world. We mentioned earlier one of our Founders, George Mason, he concluded his life by saying, "humbly hoping from His (God's) unbounded mercy and benevolence, through the merits of my blessed Savior, a remission of my sins". When Patrick Henry was a youth, his Mother took Patrick to these Great Awakening revival Church services and she drilled the message of the service into Patrick and made him memorize the Scripture. The preacher was Samuel Davies whom Patrick called the greatest orator that he had ever heard. Patrick became a fervent Christian from this powerful preaching. Hearing Davies led Patrick to also become a powerful orator. Working out his thoughts and seeing the terrible things that the King of Great-Britain was doing to the colonies led Patrick Henry to use oratory skills. His most famous speech summed the King's deeds and showed that they were really at war. Then with great oratory skill he shouted, "Forbid it, Almighty God! I know not what course others may take; but as for me, give me liberty, or give me death!". These words and the speech they came from were instrumental in sparking the American Revolutionary War. Our Founders were traitors to the King of Great-Britain which meant death if they were not right and successful which was one reason being right with God was so very important to them. Furthermore, being right with our Creator was assumed by our Founders for this new nation to be sustained which is a matter of the heart and cannot be legislated - - only religion can do that. Speaking of our new nation Patrick Henry said, "Whether this will prove a blessing or a curse, will depend upon the use our people make of the blessings which a gracious God had bestowed on us. If they are wise, they will be great and happy. If they are of a contrary character, they will be miserable."

Through His Prophet Moses, God said something similar to the Children of Israel when they were now at the Promise Land, “When you have eaten and are full, then you shall bless the Lord your God for the good land which He has given you. Beware that you forget not the Lord your God, in not keeping His commandments, and His judgments, and His statutes, which I command you this day: lest when you have eaten and are full, and have built goodly houses, and dwelt therein; and when your herds and your flocks multiply, and your silver and your gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied; then your heart be lifted up, and you forget the Lord your God, which brought you forth out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage; Who led you through that great and terrible wilderness, wherein were fiery serpents, and scorpions, and drought, where there was no water; who brought you forth water out of the rock of flint; Who fed you in the wilderness with manna, which your fathers knew not, that He might humble you, and that He might prove you, to do you good at your latter end; and you say in your heart, ‘My power and the might of my hand has gotten me’. But you shall remember the Lord your God: for it is He that gives you power to get wealth, that He may establish His covenant which He sware unto your fathers, as it is this day. And it shall be, if you do at all forget the Lord your God, and walk after other gods, and serve them, and worship them, I testify against you this day that you shall surely perish. As the nations which the Lord destroyed before your face, so shall you perish; because you would not be obedient unto the voice of the Lord your God.”

The preceding idea is found elsewhere in the Bible: “If you forsake the Lord, and serve strange gods, then He will turn and do you hurt, and consume you, after that He has done you good.”

We should not let our civilization deteriorate until it is too late like the Germans did. We should not let our civilization rot out from under us like the Romans did.

In an earlier time in another civilization Esther and her family faced extinction because they were Jews. Mordecai asked Esther to approach the king to make supplication because Esther lived in the king’s house. However, to

approach the king when he did not call for you could by law lead to possible death unless the king excused your interruption to let you live. Esther related to Mordecai that the king had not called for her for thirty days and the penalty for approaching the king was known. Ester did not see her collapsing situation. “Then Mordecai commanded to answer Esther, ‘Think not with yourself that you shall escape in the king’s house, more than all the Jews. For if you altogether hold your peace at this time, then shall their enlargement and deliverance arise to the Jews from another place; but you and your father’s house shall be destroyed: and who knows whether you are come to the kingdom for such a time as this?’”

Freedom: Please keep in mind that the American system of civilization offers more Freedom and opportunity to the human condition than has ever been in the history of the human race. However, furthermore, being right with our Creator concerning this new America nation was assumed by our Founders for this new nation to be sustained which is a matter of the heart and cannot be legislated - - only religion can do that. Hear again: Speaking of our new nation Patrick Henry, the great Christian leader who started the Revolutionary War with his famous speech, he later said, “Whether this {new American civilization} will prove a blessing or a curse, will depend upon the use our people make of the blessings which a gracious God had bestowed on us. If they are wise, they will be great and happy. If they are of a contrary character, they will be miserable.”

What are some features of this our present cultural war?

So, we are at war! America is at war with those who knowingly or unknowingly are seeking to destroy or replace our Colonial beginnings which God has so richly blest. The Federal Government is the vehicle being used to destroy our Colonial beginnings. There is a war against what our Founders have done for us. In order to give us America, our Founders accomplished as much as they could for us given the human situation of their times. Many of our Founders well recognized the problems of their times. They also recognized that government was not the total answer for the human situation. Most of our Founders humbled themselves before our Creator God. The fact is that if our Founders tried to get everything perfect, it would have resulted in getting nothing for us. A perfect plan would not have passed. That’s the way human politics works. Who among us has ever

done something political that made all things perfect? We are not God. The human lack of perfection does not negate what our Founders were able to get done for us. Not getting everything perfect is no excuse for destroying what our Founders did accomplish. We, as the future generations of our Founders, we can work on their imperfections that they could not get worked out in the human situations of their times. How are we doing with making all problems perfect in our time?

How do our efforts compare to the Founders' efforts?

Some want to dismiss Colonial America completely because Colonial America could not get rid of the slavery controversy. This is unfair to the Colonials. Are we doing any better with the controversies of our time than the Colonials did with their controversies? How would you do if you lived in the Colonial slavery controversy? Well actually we have horrible slavery in our time. What are we doing about it? Human trafficking in illegal immigration uses false promises to bring people into slavery into our Nation's shadows. These people can be trapped in a horrible situation in our nation and an escape could bring deadly repercussions to their family members back in the slaves' original country. The present day slave holders use the slaves even for very evil money making purposes such as prostitution with our citizens who have a morality problem. So how are we doing with a slavery controversy today? Should we cancel everything we have accomplished today because we have a slavery controversy today? How are we doing with other controversies today such as ending unborn children, infanticide of these same children who happen to be born alive, and other controversies that I am sure you could identify. So, how are we doing with controversies in our time including the slavery that exists in our nation now? There are other forms of slavery and other similar controversies now. How would you have done if you lived during the controversial time of our nation's civil war? It might be easier to visualize how we would do in another nation's controversial time such as living in Germany when they tried to kill the whole Jewish segment of the population and almost succeeded.

Did the Founders do more personally than the government?

It should be mentioned that people like George Washington did not wait for the government to solve the problem of slavery. He released his slaves and first taught them a way to make a living. James Madison's slave ended up working in Washington as a free man and buying a home, not an easy task.

Raising the Colonial slavery issue is used by some as an excuse to void our Colonial heritage so that these people would have a blank political slate to do things that Colonial America would not do. But that would lose what God has given us.

We lose our Nation of freedom if we lose this war that is against our Colonial America beginnings of our Founders. We are also in great danger of losing our tremendous blessings from God! No nation on earth has ever been blest like America. Let's not lose this war!

Therefore, I politely disagree with those who make an incomplete look at our Colonial Founders and I politely disagree with those who make an incomplete comparison of how our Colonial Founders met all of the problems of their time compared to how we meet all of the problems of our time. Unfortunately, if we do not completely recognize and profit from the way our Founders struggled with the tribulations of their time, then we may be throwing ourselves onto the dust heap of former nations in human history. Hence, for the people of my religion and anybody else that will listen, I have concluded that we do not have a political problem in America - - we have a religious problem. Thus I am an advocate for our Colonial Founders whom God so richly blest.

How we make thinking mistakes.

May I humbly say to some people that you have been given some bad information! May I humbly suggest that you have not thoroughly researched all sides of the issues. Some questions: Do you know what are the points that support your issue? Do you know the opposing points on the other side of the issue? How does each position handle difficulties? Do you know how each side debates opposing points of the other side? Are there more than two sides of options on the issues? Have you realistically worked out all of the questions raised, do other nations have to cooperate (not likely) to make your idea work, and has all of the implementation realistically been worked out? And certainly you are aware that there are conceivably people who might encourage smart people in a hidden manner to accept false ideas when there is lots of money to be made off of the false ideas? Are you aware that sometimes there is nothing more misleading than incomplete facts mixed with spin and peer pressure when there is lots of money to be made? Are you aware of ways to involve God in your decision making? I would

guess that your answer would be “No” to many of these preceding questions if you came up with a false ideas. Do your research.

Is our thinking ready for the world?

However, in another light, yes, there are things that could happen instantly, at any given moment, that should make us more than scared to death and we should definitely be preparing for them. At any given moment things could happen that are worse than the combination of an atomic bomb being dropped on a big city plus 9/11 plus Pearl Harbor - - are you familiar with these three events and can you imagine something worse than the combination of these three events? At any given moment the United States can be brought to its knees by enemies. Much of our life today is network computer driven and can instantly be hacked and desecrated in moments. Foreign nations are buying our businesses and are seeking to control our financial systems; they can try to work through others for their interests; they are stealing our intellectual property; one country owns 25% of the international connecting data cables around the world – are they compromising the data over these cables?; foreign countries can subsidize their businesses which makes it hard for our businesses to compete with them; foreign governments are establishing themselves widely on our soil; the open borders {census? Voters?} have greatly affected America!; foreign governments have twice as many rockets orbiting the earth as we do I have heard; some of our military leaders say that we do not currently have the national defense to keep from losing a war with some nations; our national run-away spending with our nation living beyond our means in recent years has given us huge, gigantic national debt - we borrow money from foreign nations to support our lavish wishes as a nation and the nations that hold our debt could become hostile and unjustly decide that they want their money back now or else! Our national debt could get so big that we could not afford to pay the interest - - it could end things like Social Security and Medicare. Also, other things that could happen at any time and are happening now: People are sneaking into and throughout our country like a malignant cancer killing people and some of these sneaky people are stabbing a single victim many, many times and then grossly mutilating the victim’s body! Concerning other things that could happen at any time: Furthermore, politicians who want to waste taxpayer money on things that are not going to happen should be aware of the big things that are going to happen in human history according to my religion: “For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.” It will be a “snare

that shall come on all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth". It is an "hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth." During this Tribulation an evil, deceiving world ruler will come to power called The Antichrist. There is a great world tribulation coming with this one world ruler who falsely sets himself up as God ruling the earth. Date of this time is unknown but it will end with the battle of Armageddon which you have probably heard of. People in this horrible time will flee to the hills. People will say, "Mountains fall on us." Jesus Christ will remove those who are His to spare them of the horrible time. Then there will be a 1,000 years millennium of great peace and prosperity on the earth. Then the earth as we know it will soon no longer be and there will be a new heaven and a new earth. These just mentioned things are why Christian voters who accept the Bible the way Jesus Christ does will not vote for politicians who say that the world will end in a few years. Biblical Christians know otherwise from Jesus the Christ who tells us how the earth as we know it will be something new. Thus, my expert on the end of the world is the best possible expert we can have if we accept Him. There has only been one Person in the history of the world that has predicted that He would rise from the dead, never to die again, as a sign of Who He is and as a sign for the authority of what He is doing. ... This Person is Jesus of Nazareth Who is Jesus the Christ. At His birth it was said that a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us. The child shall also be called Jesus: for He shall save His people from their sins. And, of course: Concerning other things that could happen at any time: With our own death which can happen at any time there is the question of eternal heaven and hell. Are we and our nation prepared for these things we have just discussed?

Cities.

At one point in our history we had ghost towns as they did not meet people's needs and the people left them. Today we have cities in which businesses and people are leaving like they did in Sodom and Gomora and don't look back. We may end up with ghost cities also as the crime and cesspool streets spread.

The situation seems like despair to some.

I come from a Biblical Christianity heritage. Many family members, friends, journalists in their reports, and people I meet in daily life are greatly

discouraged about present conditions in American and see no way that it can be turned around. While any nation will have some problems that can be helped; and, there are things in America that are going great. But underneath all of the good things, America has conditions that make us seem doomed and hopeless as far as returning to be the great nation that it used to be. A surreal lawlessness of iniquity and morality in all areas of society, that police work and law enforcement cannot or will not arrest and prosecute, is on the rise getting worse and worse which is predicted for the end times. To some citizens in exasperation and despair all hope has been lost. I believe that if things get much worse, there are some that might be tempted to head to the mountains to get away from it all and live off the land. I have heard that being said.

Do we have any hope? Yes, Great Hope!

An event has happened in ancient Israel that relates to our presentation. Little David and a slingshot versus the big bad giant Goliath who “has defied the armies of the living God!” of Israel. With a slingshot; with a slingshot and a small stone little David killed the big bad giant Goliath.

Our big bad giant is the Federal Government who in some ways has defied the religion of our Founders. With God’s help can we do what little David did with a slingshot. Are we faithless?

Can people with seemingly little power conquer the very powerful? George Washington beat the most powerful nation on earth with a rag-tag army. Israel’s little David with a slingshot and a small stone defeated the big, bad giant Goliath who was defying the God of Israel. I know how to use a little David slingshot. But little David had more going for him than that he was very accurate with a slingshot.

My life has been connected to the Founders.

As a musician I have spent my life under the shadow of our first great President George Washington. I taught in the area of his home Mount Vernon. I have performed on the lawn of Mount Vernon as a costumed colonial musician. I have performed in the Ball Room and parlor of one of the other of George Washington’s five farms as a costumed colonial musician. I have worshipped in Churches where George Washington worshipped, eaten in taverns where he ate, and walked where he walked. I

have performed at colonial estates in northern Virginia such as George Mason's Gunston Hall. I have performed in colonial Williamsburg in Bruton Parish Church. I am a native Virginian in the land of George Washington who beat the most powerful nation on earth with a rag-tag army and he became our first President; I am a native Virginian in the land of Jefferson who drafted the Declaration of Independence; I am a native Virginian in the land of James Madison who is called the "Father of the Constitution", I went to a college called James Madison; and I am a native Virginian in the land of George Mason who is the "Father of the Bill of Rights" which became the first 10 amendments to the Constitution in order to place some limits on the power of the Federal Government. Along with my unique Virginia heritage I have been to Virginia's Colonial Williamsburg many, many times. My wife Sarah and I are coartistic sponsors of a costumed music performance group called "The Colonial Recorders" which I direct. As a colonial musician, I was enriched by members of my colonial music performance group who gave me books on George Washington to help me better learn about colonial music. We developed a concert called "Music To The Ears Of George Washington" which we performed in northern Virginia and colonial Williamsburg at Bruton Parish Church. But in learning about colonial music I also learned a lot about George Washington and his thinking. At this point in my life I have colonial America in my veins! Thus, my experience has given me a strong feel and identity for what was going on with the Founders to whom God gave the ideas for the great nation we call America.

The Founders' ideas have become distorted. By whom? Justice is a mess.

The ideas that God gave these colonial Founders of our nation have become very distorted in my view. As we have distorted the ideas that God gave our Founders for a great nation, the Federal Government has become a big, bad giant. The Federal Government no longer fears God or the people! Who among us does not fear an IRS taxes audit? A tax audit is poetically called a "visit from Hell" ("What If A Well-Designed Value Added Tax Replaced The IRS" See the Documents link on the danielhookemusic.com website.) The Federal Government can cancel a Prayer Breakfast. The Federal Government has the power to destroy a person or business that those in power do not like. Few people have the money, time, and fortitude to take on the Federal Government when they find themselves in the cross-hairs of the Federal Government. Also, the Federal Government's power group does not choose to have the ability to bring one of their own to justice or ask for resignations in the face of inappropriate actions even though our national

secrets are freely and recklessly distributed to the world including our enemies. The prophet Amos said on behalf of God our Creator, "... let judgment run down as waters, and righteousness as a mighty stream." Why should God greatly bless our nation now as He did for our Founders when today the Federal Government cannot let judgment run down as waters, and righteousness as a mighty stream? Doing something and then saying that it is judgment running down like waters does not make it justice. That may fool some people but not fool God! The Executive Branch of the Federal Government is tempted to use the government against adversaries and to bring legal proceedings against journalists who do not say what they want to hear. The Court Branch is tempted to make rulings that are not in line with the people when they conjecture what is not clear in the Constitution instead of referring the matter to the people's representatives in the Congress to pass a law relating to the matter in line with people's thinking. The Congress Branch has become dysfunctional as they are tempted to not represent the people and instead watch out for their next election, or not ruin their chances of becoming a committee chairperson or party leader in Congress or even not ruin their chances of being their party's candidate for President. Satan can also tempt politicians to include things that are known to be not true in their spin even on national television as they hope to fool any uninformed public. However, God is not fooled. So how then do we expect God to continue to greatly bless our nation? Our morality/God problem also shows that we are declining. Besides ignoring the Constitution, a special type of lawlessness exists in the Federal Government in which the meaning of words is given new meanings that did not exist when a law was passed so the Government can act pretending that they are legal. The top people in the Federal Government can be tempted to ignore the law when it suits their purposes for their people. The need for big money to get elected to positions in the Federal Government takes a negative toll on the process of governing.

And now, the Federal Government has fired the first shot in the brewing cultural war in our civilization when they issued the lawsuit against the state of North Carolina over the bathroom issue!!! There is a whole long laundry list of ways the Federal Government has become a big, bad giant. We need to make the Federal Government fear the people again! We need to conquer the big, bad giant called the Federal Government!

Let's get our slingshots!

Get the important things first.

We cannot acknowledge God as a nation and get His abundant blessings for our nation when we do not seek Him and seek what He has revealed to us. This is a culture war the people of America must not lose or our civilization will most certainly continue its decay and likely pass from human history. A nation can go under in less than a generation.

But do you also realize that the best ideas are useless unless God blesses them? We need to live so that God can greatly bless us and our work like He did at the beginning of our nation. As a musician I see that God uses this same principle in music. I am reminded that the ancient prophet Amos told us that we need to live so that God can make us righteous in order that God can bless our music when Amos said on behalf of God, "Take away from Me the noise of your songs; for I will not hear the melody of your viols. But let judgment run down as waters, and righteousness as a mighty stream."

Can our thinking lead to peril?

We have God's gift of an abundance of coal and generations of fossil fuels. Why can't we make better use of it? There is no mention of end times prophecy about travel and work reverting to camels and oxen. When ancient Israel was approaching a land flowing with milk and honey and other great things, they said "no thank you" to their peril.

Requirements for our kings and queens which we are.

A commandment from Moses for the Kings of the Jewish nation of Israel: "And it shall be, when he sits upon the throne of his kingdom, that he shall write him a copy of this law in a book {the Bible at that time} out of that which is before the priests the Levites: And it shall be with him, and he shall read therein all the days of his life: that he may learn to fear the Lord his God, to keep all the words of this law and these statutes, to do them: That his heart be not lifted up above his brethren, and that he turn not aside from the commandment, to the right hand, or to the left: to the end that he may prolong his days in his kingdom, he, and his children, in the midst of Israel". As we said earlier, we are the kings {and queens} in America because citizens rule America. Thus, according to Moses, we as kings {and queens} in America

need to read in the Bible all the days of our lives and use our learning as Moses commanded. There are two Bible reading plans on the danielhookemusic.com website. However, do not expect to get all of the benefits of the Bible if it is not obeyed in the way that Jesus Christ, the Son of God, supports and interprets it.

The Psalmist said, “If You, Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who shall stand?” We are all sinners when compared to God’s standards. A confession of sins is called repenting which means that we are very sorry for what we have done against God and probably others --- so sorry that the embarrassment about the situation does not stop us from acting --- and we plan to make changes that God wants. Jesus Christ died for our sins!

Personal destruction replaces discussion of ideas.

We need take a minute to cover a few details. Personal destruction has become the poison gas of politics - - do not breathe it! Our feet are made of clay. As much as possible what is said about us, true, twisted, or false, in an effort to destroy us instead of examining our ideas and the ability to work on these ideas. Anything wrong that we have done or anything that we could wrongly do has been forgiven because Jesus Christ died for our sins on the cross as He has for all Christians (if accepted) and for the world. Ignore attacks that seek to destroy us. For now let’s plan to forgive them and turn the other cheek. If enough people will support us who are candidates, it does not make any difference what someone says about us in an effort to destroy us because we will then already have enough votes to easily be elected. Likewise, ignore those who try to destroy us by destroying our experts. Even the things in the Constitution, Oath of Office, things you are trying to do to help people, etc. can be misused and twisted to smear – smear to prevent people from getting elected! In more recent times the poison gas of personal destruction has turned into lawsuits and pure hatred! Don’t breathe it!

Is God watching and pleased with political personal destruction?

Remember, our Leader God is One Whom personal destruction cannot affect! Consider the following: We are told that “promotion comes neither from the east, nor from the west, nor from the south. But God is the judge: He puts down one, and sets up another.” Voters have to select between imperfect candidates. Jesus Christ is not running for President. But God is

overseeing the election. God has selected before the election who is going to win and gives them a chance to do good and grow in His love. But if the candidate or the candidate's supporters say bad things about opposing candidates in hopes to destroy opposing candidates so that the candidate can win, God cannot be pleased because we are told to "grieve not the holy Spirit of God". And these bad words create a lukewarm desire from losing candidates and others to support the winning candidate when the winning candidate later needs help. There is a preacher's story about a member of the congregation saying many bad things about the preacher. When the congregation member saw himself as he really was, he went to the preacher to apologize. He asked the preacher if there was anything the member could do to right the situation. The preacher told him to get a bag of feathers and go up on top of the town water tower and release the feathers into the wind. Then a week later to go and gather up all of the feathers and put them back into the bag. Candidates and their supporters, elected officials, press/media, etc. should remember that we are told that we will all have to give an account for all of our idle words. And we are told that we will have to appear before the judgement seat of Christ. Furthermore, unfortunate words and strife go together. As has been said for thousands of years, "grievous words stir up anger". And, "the churning of milk brings forth butter, and the wringing of the nose brings forth blood: so the forcing of wrath brings forth strife." Political discourse has become filled with hatred, political violence, oppression, and intimidation in Washington, in higher education, on campuses, in attempts at drama killing a President, in attempts at humor with a decapitated head of a President and other attempts at humor, there are death threats, Congress in debating uses words like blood, killing, dying, and death against their peers, etc. - - and we can't make enough laws to surround the hatred. Evil tries to win and gain power by silencing truth. The hatred has become so intense that we now have bloodshed. Students have been beat over the head drawing blood. Gangs beat up students on campuses and elsewhere drawing blood. We have anarchy and property destruction. We have the lone wolf filled with hatred, gangs of hatred, and hate filled guerrilla warfare throughout the land like a malignant cancer who cover their faces. With these unfortunate words and actions and strife, it filled the mind of one productive citizen's mind so full of hatred that at a ball game practice he tried a failed massacre of a significant number of Congress people which would have succeeded had not some there had guns to kill him. But he did spill blood. If the hatred is trying to kill Congress, what kind of a chance do we have? We now have a guerrilla war erupting in our cultural civil war.

Human Relations.

Now let's look at human relations a little bit. Part of my culture with those close to me has been to tease, play jokes on, use put downs, etc. which nobody took seriously. However, I don't do these things anymore. I have worked with thousands of people of all ages and have noticed that more people than you might think are uncomfortable with these things. Some can dish it out but find it hard to take. Even small pre-school children can get a red-faced blush with teasing and come back with a sharp, angry retort. So, generally speaking, no more of these things for laughs. I like humor. But analyzing our humor can be revealing. Some things are said that will get a big laugh but the laughter is because people can't believe that you had enough nerve to say what you said. I don't use that kind of humor. There is another kind of remarks that get laughs but I do not use it. That kind of humor does something clever sounding with a person's name which may be funny to everybody but the persons having their names twisted. A person who is the butt of this kind of humor wonders just how much they can trust the one speaking. A person's name needs to be said carefully and absolutely correctly. The name is the person! ... More human relations items would be: There is nothing wrong with giving or receiving a gift unless it is a bribe - - just like there is nothing wrong with bartering unless there is something for your personal pocket or it is accompanied by a stated punishing threat that states a penalty if the bartering deal is not accepted. (Although sometimes a punishing threat that states a penalty if the bartering deal is not accepted is appropriate like in disciplining children.) A punishing threat is not to be confused with if a bartering deal is not accepted, consequences do naturally happen or need to happen. Furthermore, be careful because compromise is generally not the same thing as bartering. Compromise usually means that you give up something. Also, compromise and reaching across isle can sometimes mean that you give the other side what they want without sticking to your principles. ... Sarcasm is for rare use if at all. ... The Bible has a statement about criticism - - it says to speak the truth in love. Forgiveness is required but allow for tendencies and the law still usually has to be carried out. ... Bitterness is a choice. ... Don't let the sun go down on our wrath. ... As much as possible and appropriate, I do not treat anyone in my presence as invisible. ... We need to really listen to each other: Can you state all sides of an issue (including their why?/reasoning/evidence/etc.) and not to pretend that some sides of an issue are not a part of reality (called twisting the issues)? ... (Another twisting is to misquote something to give it a different meaning!) ... Don't appeal to "common sense" which can sometimes be just

an assumption that has the danger of missing the facts with no way to know ... I understand that even simple cursing, and crude language to show passion, and body parts and functions for a laugh, etc. will turn off some people and can be done some other ways. More importantly, it could turn off God who gives us blessings! Don't try and be clever like the little boy who ask his mother if Amsterdam was a bad word? She replied, No, son." Then he asked if Rotterdam is a bad word? She said, "Well, no son. Why do you ask?" He said, "My sister just ate all my candy and I hope it would Rotterdam her teeth out!" ... Whatever we do, we should not plant the seeds of hate and preach hate or we will surely harvest dissension for us and probably others. Politicians can be tempted to preach hate for their own purposes. As much as possible we should plant love because God our heavenly Father is Love. He cannot be pleased with hate because He is love. He blesses those who live in Him and His Love. Find out about living in God's Love if this a new subject for you. Also look at the subject of living in His Son Jesus Christ. God cannot be pleased when we unnecessarily hurt His human creations because we are told to "grieve not the Holy Spirit of God" in thought, word, and deed - - we need to check ourselves.

Racism, etc.

Recent years have used true racism to fan the fires of hatred with its friction and oppression. This has happened to various groups over the history of our Nation. Unfortunately, today when you have little else to say, a racism accusation can be used for personal destruction and a way to hid behind a lack of helpful ideas rather than for a discussion of a problem which may well go both ways. You can be called a racist if you have a different opinion from someone of another race. But racism is not the only thing causing human relations problems: culture friction and oppression; gang against gang friction and oppression; friction and oppression caused by organized crime activity; friction and oppression caused by the "good old boys circle" and those not in that circle; friction and oppression from a bad boss; peers calling someone who wears glasses "frog-eyes"; Satan tempting someone to be a bully; etc. Racism involving people connected with the past American slavery who have an ancestral historical memory of terrible things done is getting a lot of publicity right now. So what do people need to do that are caught in these situations? First choice: They need to get a job elsewhere and then relocate to find hope. Second choice: Those who do not leave need to work as though they are working for God instead of being caught in a seriously bad situation until they can leave. Third choice: cautiously start your own

business will take you out of the sphere of oppression of opportunity by such things as the “good old boys circle” or racism. Fourth and other choices are likely more difficult and painful. In your mind forgive these types if poor human relations.

Race relations on a personal level are learned and involve personal choice in how you will act. I learned race relations as a small child in Sunday School as we sang, “Jesus loves the little children; all the children of the world. Red and yellow, black and white, they are precious in His sight; Jesus loves the little children of the world.” as I remember it. As a child I played with black youngsters in the neighborhood. My family had black people sit down at our table for a meal long before Martin Luther King, Jr. spoke about blacks and whites sitting down at a table. My parents were approached with a petition to keep a child of another race out of the schools and they refused to sign. Years later the people who brought that petition apologized to my parents. As a public school teacher the school system set aside our instruction time to give us a diversity class during the school day. One of the exercises was to watch a video of the bigotry of “X’s and Zero’s” as they interacted. It seemed me that we should think of people as “Pluses” {+’s} instead of “X’s” or “Zero’s”. It made me realize that in my classes I did not look at skin color or clothes, I tried to see people. I noticed that at times I had to stop and think to realize what the skin color of a student was. Racism on a personal level is something that is learned and is a choice.

Do we listen to others.

I like to listen and ask clarification questions for my own education and interest in others to learn about them. I may not always correct misinformation or give my opinions. On important subjects, I like to understand the various positions, their strengths and weaknesses, and how other positions would view their strengths.

A touching human relations story.

One of the most touching political human relations I ever saw was at the death of Ronald Reagan when he was lying in state in the Capitol building. Ronald Reagan and Mikhail Gorbachev were the leaders of the world’s two most powerful nations on earth - - Russia and the United States. Their two nations were bitter enemies and Reagan and Gorbachev had many conflicts

in what was called the Cold War. Their face-to-face meetings were often fierce but statesman like. In spite of the great political differences between their nations, Ronald Reagan and Mikhail Gorbachev got to know each personally. At the death of Ronald Reagan when he was lying in state in the Capitol building and as the stream of Americans passed by Ronald Reagan's casket to pay their respects, a man quickly cut through the line squeezing passed the people. It was Mikhail Gorbachev. He quickly walked straight up to the casket, reached out his hand and touched the casket of his friend Ronald Reagan. Then, just as quickly he disappeared through the line. As a footnote to this story is that I later heard from a missionary to Russia that Mikhail Gorbachev's secretary was a member of the missionary's Christian group.

David, Justice, Fear of God.

King David's conclusion in his last words was, **“He that rules over men must be ‘just’, ruling in the fear of God.”** “And he shall be as the light of the morning, when the sun rises, even a morning without clouds; as the tender grass springing out of the earth by clear shining after rain.”

He contrasted that with his opposites, “But the sons of Belial {any people who are the opposite of David} shall be all of them as thorns thrust away, because they cannot be taken with hands: But the man that shall touch them must be fenced with iron and the staff of a spear; and they shall be utterly burned with fire in the same place.”

Please notice some things from the experience of the great King David.

A nation like America must be **‘just’**. The nation cannot have the form of justice but that justice be empty or focused wrongly. That justice must be equally applied to all in the nation with real justice. Lack of the presence of real justice “that is merely the form of justice unevenly applied” may fool some of the people but God cannot be not fooled. We must be **“ruling in the fear of God”**. Those who are not truly just and ruling in the fear of God are **“Beliah”** that **“shall be utterly burned with fire”**.

Since the citizens rule in America, we are the kings and queens in America, thus we need to apply David's conclusions personally!

Also remember:

A teaching: “You have heard that it has been said, ‘You shall love your neighbour, and hate your enemy.’ But I say to you, ‘Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you; That you may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for He makes His sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. For if you love them which love you, what reward have you? Do not even the publicans the same? {That’s “publican” not “republican”.} And if you salute your brethren only, what do you more than others? Do not even the publicans so? You be therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.”

What would our Founders say?

The dark war storm clouds over Official Washington are still looming. The storm clouds are boiling over into a political war like the world has never seen before! Washington is preparing to war against themselves. Meanwhile the culture war has already started. The President cannot stop the political war in Official Washington from happening. Congress has politically trapped themselves so that they cannot stop the political war in Official Washington from happening without great political loss nor can they win the war without great political loss. The Supreme Court has no legal means to stop the political war from happening. The big, bad Goliath-like giant called the Federal Government is getting taller and taller! God richly blest our Founders. We have lost the blessing that they received! Have you considered what our Founders would say? Will we lose it all for political reasons? Is anyone listening to what is really happening? **THE POLITICAL WAR IS READY TO ERUPT while at the same time THE CULTURE WAR HAS ALREADY BEGUN!** Is this the Washington that will let our civilization fade into human history? Washington is out of control and seems out of options!

PRAYER!

The Colonial people of Williamsburg, Virginia met at Bruton Parish Church to pray about joining the Revolutionary War before acting. Also, it is little known fact that in recent history all three Branches of the Federal

Government met to pray before going to war in the Operation Desert Storm War when we drew a line in the sand. David consulted with God as to whether or not to make war against a foe.

Similar to Goliath, the Federal Government as an institution has defied the living God, the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel.

Come. Let's pray and get our slingshots! Our slingshots are humble prayer.

We need to act quickly, very fast! Time is short. Our window of opportunity may be very narrow. With God's help we may be able to save America by joining forces, consulting God for guidance, and conquer the big, bad Goliath-like Federal Government. Remember that little David killed the big, bad giant Goliath with one small stone and a slingshot!

From the Bible we know that God wants to dwell with us. Jesus was called Emmanuel at His birth which means "God with us". God has engraved us on the palms of His hands. He says He will honor those who honor Him. God is a rewarder to those who diligently seek Him - - this says nothing about being perfect but rather it says diligently seek Him. God loves us!

God blesses all of us in many ways or none of us could make it. But He stands ready to greatly bless our civilization again as in the past if we come to Him as our Founders did and this involves Jesus Christ, the Son of God, who died for our sins in place of us so that we can live with God forever as our Founders knew.

Our Founders did not take time to articulate their religion in detail.
See writings.

In this presentation I have sought to present how most of our Colonial Founders would articulate religion (but their faith had no need for a detailed articulation) and the issues and to advocate for our Founders whom God so richly blest. If you have not done so, our are invited to please see "The Birth, Life, Death, And Resurrection Of Jesus Christ" Art Music with Program Notes (52 min. music video), a Major Music Work with theology and see "The Bible Loop For Complete Confidence In The Bible Old And New Testaments Based On The Authority Of Jesus Christ, Correctly Interpreted, And Under His Guidance" - A 3rd Addendum To "The Authority Of The Bible"; This is one of a series of position statements Documents on "The Authority Of The

Bible”. See danielhookemusic.com on the Music Videos link and Documents link.

It is like Declaration of Independence times!

With the recent bathroom law of North Carolina, which prevents someone from going into their choice of a boys’ or girls’ bathroom depending on how they feel about themselves, we see the same issues in our present Government that we had back when the Declaration of Independence was written. We have the same situation now when the Federal Government gave North Carolina just a few days to cancel their new bathroom law or lose Federal funding in several areas. Look the Declaration of Independence “The history of the present King of Great-Britain is a history of repeated Injuries and Usurpations, all having in direct Object the establishment of an absolute Tyranny over these States. To prove this, let Facts be submitted to a candid World. He has refused his Assent to Laws, the most wholesome and necessary for the public Good. He has forbidden his Governors to pass Laws of immediate and pressing Importance, ... taking away our Charters, abolishing our most valuable Laws”

Our Founders and our situation.

As we have distorted the ideas that God gave our Founders for a great nation and seek to renew those ideas, we need to note that America’s Founders were a very religious people - - America who God has so incomparably, richly blest in human history.

It would have been unthinkable for our Founders to think of sexuality in any way other than the way God created us and in accordance with their Holy Scriptures from God. Religion was not a casual matter for our Founders. They needed to have God to have mercy on them as forgiven sinners and to bless them. Religion was a life and death matter for them. Otherwise they would be hanged or face a firing squad as they labored to give us America! If we do not acknowledge the sex that God our Creator created us in His own image which our Founders acknowledged, then why should God acknowledge us? And why should He not go ahead and toss us who reject what He has done in His own image, and our nation, and our civilization on to the dust heap of old former nations and civilizations in human world history?

It is written that people have generally kept their private parts private since Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden! The great King David, the distant Grandfather of Jesus Christ, and man called “a man after God’s own heart”, when this great man got an inappropriate glimpse of a married woman’s private parts, he committed adultery with her, got her pregnant, and then to cover up his sins he created a situation in which her husband would be killed. But God could see everything and sent Nathan the prophet to convict David. When David’s eyes were opened, he wrote the greatest confession in human history which we know as Psalm 51.

Schools are getting into serious trouble with sexual/gender issues. Great issues exist of government-out-of-control when they want to take control of children in schools instead of leaving gender and many sexual issues to the parents. Parents are greatly upset and alarmed. It is argued that some children are in bad homes and the school should take care of parental issue. But schools are not assigned these duties by the public. Social workers are assigned bad home duties and foster care. Schools are not trained or equipped to do social worker duties. Schools practicing duties for which they are not qualified or staffed to do could lead to serious lawsuits! What they are trying to practice has certainly not been established in theory or research yet! Schools could find them in a bad situation as some and their personnel already have. And there have been undesirable events including rapes - - that’s with an “s”. ... But when schools presented their case, they do not discuss the personal privacy implications. Thus we humbly and respectfully ask: Does this mean that the ladies at these schools would go into a public restroom or locker room and bare parts of their bodies which they normally would not bare in the presence of another sex while a woman-dressed male of unknown character would come into the restroom or locker room and do the same in order to shower or whatever? Have they not read it is written that people have generally not been able to ever do this since Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden! Do we really want our little girls and women in the our family to go into a public restroom or locker room and bare parts of their bodies which they normally would not bare in the presence of another sex while a woman-dressed male would come into the restroom or locker room and do the same in order to shower or whatever? Again, have they not read it is written that people have generally have not been able to ever do this since Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden! Schools may have to one person bathrooms for persons of gender issues. Girls sports’ may become ruined because of gender issues. There may need to be sports for gender issue persons. America’s governmental bodies are out of control!!

It should be noted also that some people choose to have no interest in a male-female marriage and thus choose not to marry. And they do not make excuses for their choice nor expect special privileges. Instead they accept what they have decided and live a wonderful life doing what their Creator put them on earth for.

Bigotry, racism - - Don't participate!

In some places bigotry has reared its ugly head. Bigotry can go both ways. Bigotry is not of God because God is love and bigotry is not love. And, Jesus came to save us not to condemn us which can be misinterpreted as bigotry and condemnation because of things that may need to be said to save us if misunderstood.

Bigotry and prejudice do not have uniform definitions everywhere. Some bigotry is fair like having bigotry against murders and robbers. Other bigotry is unfair like false opinions against people and it guides actions.

There should be no confusion of discrimination and bigotry with not being qualified. If a runner takes 15 minutes to run a mile, then that runner should not claim discrimination or bigotry against runners that take 15 minutes to run a mile if that runner does not make the Olympic team where runners run the mile even under 4 minutes. The real issue is being unqualified and this should not be confused with discrimination or bigotry. A 15 minute mile runner is still loved by God who created him. The runner is just not qualified in what he is trying to do or imitate. ... Marriage shall be between one man and one woman at a time. We are told that, "from the beginning of the creation God made them male and female. For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and cleave to his wife; and the two shall be one flesh: so then they are no more two, but one flesh." God did not have any other arrangement in mind from the beginning except a male female marriage commitment with bodies designed for that purpose. What He designed will not work with two of anything else to be one flesh. Polygamy is not what He wanted either. Neither did He want a legal male and female marriage with one or more persons on the side not a part of that legal marriage. Also the Government, including the military, should not participate in or force someone to participate in activities that are connected with those who try to do or imitate something those people connected with the activity are by God our Creator's design not qualified to do or imitate as related to or similar to

the previous statements. Our Founders and their primary religion accepted marriage to be between one man and one woman at a time.

Also, the Federal Government presents things on a racial continuum when it is not a racial issue but a morality issue. The Federal Government in recent years seems to want to put race in issues when race was not the issue. And the racial talk is only about racial issues of blacks when all races and cultures face racism and bigotry from the beginning of time and this will likely unfortunately continue into the future of human existence which will likely last until at least until the millennium. Many cultures in our American history have suffered Government bigotry, and organized crime bigotry, gang bigotry, political bigotry, etc. even to the point of death of the victims. Many civilizations in recent human history have seen the worst of the human condition with mass killings by governments and other deplorable things that hurt even to think about them with the very worst being the Jewish Holocaust in the past century. (Beware! Genesis 12:3 "And I will bless them that bless you [the Jewish], and curse him that curses you": before meeting Christ for your irreversible place in eternity.) In America blacks have been subject to beyond hideous treatment. Slavery was a troubling big problem to many of our Founders but Government cannot solve all problems. For instance, George Washington solved the problem personally before he died by seeing that his slaves were freed and trained to have a job skill. We humans have done horrible things to each other. Satan, the Devil, is alive and well even though Jesus Christ has ultimately defeated him. The Federal Government is out of control!!

Racism cannot be overcome with racism. When it comes to racial and cultural friction, Jesus, who our Founders believed was their Lord and Savior, Jesus presented in word and action a picture that could be interpreted to say, "don't participate". Don't participate in racial and cultural friction even if you have to live in a society that has very severe racial and cultural friction in its historical memory. The friction between Samaritans and Jews in the days of Jesus, a Jew, was some of the worst in human history. They literally would have nothing to do with each other. But Jesus, a Jew, sat down by a well and ask a Samaritan woman for a drink and talked to her. When the disciples of Jesus, who had gone shopping, came back and saw Jesus talking to a Samaritan woman, they could hardly believe their eyes that Jesus would do such a thing! At another time Jesus had a discussion with some Jews about the most important laws from God in their Holy Scriptures. They decided that "love your neighbor as yourself" was one of the most important laws. They ask Jesus who was their neighbor. Jesus told them a story about someone

who fell into serious trouble and he made a Samaritan of all people to be the only one with neighborly compassion to help the distressed person. The despise Samaritan as compassionate hero was not what the listeners were expecting to hear. So when it comes to racial and cultural friction, Jesus, who our Founders believed was their Lord and Savior, presented things that could be interpreted to say, “don’t participate” in racial and cultural friction even if you have to live in a world that has very severe racial and cultural friction.

Let’s take a moment to look at “offensive”

“Offensive” shall not be a reason for making a change unless things like hate crimes, felony threats, slander, etc. are involved and even then just punish the crime. One person, a lawyer, and a judge can make a society change even to the point of effectively amending the constitution, from a practical standpoint, by using the subjective concept of being offended and using this procedure should not be. Meanwhile most everybody else will be offended by the use the unobjective concept of being offended. If a crime has happened, then deal with that fact but do not use the word offensive which cannot be verified objectively since it is a just a personal subjective opinion in the mind of the grievant. These comments are also true for the military. But some things cannot be defined in a proverb. Because of training, past experience, misinterpretation of a situation, etc. things like offensive, discrimination, prejudice, bigotry, etc. can be wrongly used. Also, we can offend those we love in surprising ways that may be never erased unless the other party is forgiving. None of us are perfect. We need to watch our mouth. Pray and do the best you can. Forgive others when they wrongly think of you. Apologize if you are wrong. Send flowers? Jesus Christ died for us all.

God sometimes gives us what we wrongly ask for but it does not satisfies!

Our Founders made the Supreme Court the top political safeguard for our Nation. But our ultimate safeguard is God. Without the predominate religion of our Founders, God would not have greatly blest our new Nation. This we are losing and trying to replace it with insufficient ideas. It is written that “And He {God} gave them {the Children of Israel} their request; but sent leanness into their soul.” Many great things politically are going on right now in America but the Nation’s soul is full of leanness like dissension, discord, strife, bitterness, etc. The Nation has a religious problem not a political problem.

More on what might happen.

But the forces of evil now has many ways to tempt both people and the government of lawlessness: (A) simply ignoring the laws; (B) simply not enforcing the law; (C) poor justice system, judges, and/or law enforcement at all steps of the legal system so that evil people are not released to do more evil; at one point in the Bible they executed the law so that evil would not pollute the land! (D) saying that the law says something other than what it says; (E) making false parodies of documents; (F) [this is especially devious:] making false statements and then drawing conclusions for action based on that false statement as though it were true; (G) unofficially changing word definitions in the law (H) amending the Constitution by ignoring the Constitution; (I) not paying attention to what is actually written in a law which makes it impossible to write a law that will guide the country or avoid giving strange interpretations by the government or the people; (J) inventing philosophical law (never passed) and convicting and condemning others based on these unpassed philosophical ideas or opinions; (K) doing something to torpedo plans making ruins of the ideas rather than voting against something – in order to fool the public as to what they are up to; (L) any kind of anarchy; (M) people who twist, imply, and say things that are simply not true (sometimes for political gains) and repeat things that simple are not true (sometimes for political gain); (N) there will be increased scoffing in the end times making it hard for people to join together in rational thinking; (O) etc.

If Satan the Devil is to be an influence in Churches in the Bible discussion of the end times, then it is logical that Satan, the father of lies, could be found in Washington which is not a Church. Be careful!

We all need to check ourselves. “And why do you behold the mote that is in your brother's eye, but consider not the beam that is in your own eye? Or how will you say to your brother, ‘Brother, let me pull out the mote that is in your eye, when you yourself behold not the beam that is in your own eye?’ You hypocrite, cast out first the beam out of your own eye, and then shall you see clearly to pull out the mote that is in your brother's eye.”

A teaching: “Go to now, you that say, ‘Today or tomorrow we will go into such a city, and continue there a year, and buy and sell, and get gain’: Whereas you know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It

is even a vapour, that appears for a little time, and then vanishes away. For that you ought to say, 'If the Lord be willing, we shall live, and do this, or that.' But now you rejoice in your boastings: all such rejoicing is evil."

You feel unfairly treated, read about the example of the holy man Daniel and a political plot to trap him in Daniel chapters 5 and 6. The people that got Daniel put into the lions' den got put into the lion's den themselves. Also, read the book of Psalms to see how God's people successfully worked with God when they were unfairly treated. In the Bible book of Esther the man who tried to get the Jews killed instead got killed himself. Also, see Habakkuk 3:17-19.

A look at charity, wealth, etc.

Some medical facilities will treat extremely expensive cases for free. Without applying force, corporations can be solicited for small amounts of money for insurance for people without much money and neither the corporations nor us will hardly feel it. However, helping people just by giving them something helps people in the short run like in a catastrophe, but it does not usually change their economic level in the long run so that someday they can buy their own insurance. Helping people both for now and in the long run is best done by making the people part of the solution by requiring them to also do something as a part of the process making the people have some ownership of and responsibility for the process with the learning that also brings. The Government solution of setting up another entitlement to solve the situation mainly increases the national debt thus hurting all of us. Government solutions often spend other people's money instead of we giving our personal money out of the cheerfulness and mercy of our own hearts. Is it really a good idea to have other people face Government forced false mercy by requiring that they spend their money to solve a situation? We need to be smarter than that. Hopefully the Congress will not always look to Government to solve problems but will look beyond Government for a variety or combination of solutions. Regarding charity: Abraham, whom both Jews and Christians call their religious Father, he went into a strange land as a faithful wanderer and God gave him great wealth when there was no wealth there to have. God can create wealth when He desires and give us great blessings seemingly out of nothing as He did for Abraham. If we change the hearts of Americans to have more mercy for each other we may effectively solve the insurance problem for people without much money. But the Government

cannot legislate mercy - - only religion can do that. So what do we need to do? Where do we need to look? Where did our Founders look?

The Bible makes the need to work to eat.

Ronald Reagan.

Ronald Reagan's 11th commandment "Thou shalt not speak ill of another Republican". Good for any political party. Just disagree as statesmen and stateswomen!

Things the law cannot do:

- In a democracy the majority can be wrong meaning that the Government cannot do everything. Slavery was a troubling big problem to many of our Founders but Government cannot solve all problems. All civilizations have things that the governments haven't solved and the people have to live through these. The Bible has comments on living in a civilization that has slavery problem unsolved. "Masters, give unto your servants that which is just and equal; knowing that you also have a Master in heaven." {It is heartbreaking to see masters that do not believe that. It is one of the great unfair things in life. Like Jesus was unfairly crucified In a cross.} George Washington solved the slavery problem personally before he died by seeing that his slaves were freed and trained to have a job skill. Some things we must do ourselves, we cannot leave it to the Government. It is written that the poor we will always have with us. We need charities because the government can't do all. We need big, cheerful hearts to make charity work.
- We cannot make enough laws and have enough law enforcement to solve all problems of evil and human suffering.
- We can't legalize love.
- Democracy will not work without a moral people who are the majority.
- Morality's ultimate solution lies in religion not laws. George Washington's Farewell Address included this conclusion on religion and morality: "And let us with caution indulge the supposition, that morality can be

maintained without religion. Whatever may be conceded to the influence of refined education on minds of peculiar structure, reason and experience both forbid us to expect, that national morality can prevail in exclusion of religious principle.”

- We cannot look to laws for all of our opportunities. Booker T. Washington, a young black man after American slavery ended, walked 500 miles for a great opportunity. He also had an opportunity to build many schools for the freed blacks. He did not just give the schools to the communities, the communities had to make large commitments to the projects also.
- Freedom of the press, which includes all media, is in the Constitution but we have few safeguards on the press/media protecting persons from false information. Most safeguards in the form of laws can unnecessarily restrict the press/media. We can do our own safeguards from false information. Don't believe the media, political ads, anonymous reports, off-the-record reports, this 'could' be, smears, etc. until checked and proved true. Avoid things whose purpose might be a smear. Consider everything false until proven otherwise. Consider people innocent until well proven otherwise. It is up to us to do things like use our minds to evaluate press/media; find sources that help us see which press/media people deliver truth and not false things or misleading half-truths, overlooking facts, not reporting facts, etc. Press/media, movies/TV-shows/dramas/books, internet, etc., and other free speech people plus we ourselves need to be careful what we believe and say - - we are told that Satan himself can transform himself into an angel light!
- There is life after Washington (political life) regardless of how you leave. One person in one of the nation's biggest scandals was afterward converted by a friend who told him that he needed get to know Jesus Christ. That person later began a prison ministry. In a very bad prison that ministry converted and shepherded a large number of hardened prisoners who left prison and never to returned.

Patrick Henry made a speech to the Colonial Virginia House of Burgesses who had been run out of Williamsburg, Virginia. He spoke in favor of forming an armed defense to do whatever is needed.

At an earlier time the British King was a tyrant to the American Colonies. In 1775 The British King's Governor of Virginia had gotten rid of the people's continually freedom protesting Virginia House of Burgesses in Williamsburg, Virginia. The gentlemen in the House of Burgesses gathered elsewhere in Williamsburg to meet. Then because of fear of the King's Governor they left Williamsburg for safety. Colonist in Boston had become so active in freedom protest with things like the Tea Party that the British King had now sent British troops across the waters to the colonies in the north. The protests and the freedom talk of the Burgesses place them in a near treasonous position to the British King. Many of the Virginia Burgesses feared death and a premature entry into Heaven or being put into the chains of slavery by the King's Governor. Seeking safety, they left for the closest place with a big enough place to meet which was in St. John's Church in Richmond, Virginia where Patrick Henry made the passionate, persuasive speech that started the American Revolutionary War against the British.

In our culture war, our present situation has boiled over into arguments about alternative forms of human sexuality without regard to biological sex at conception and at birth. These arguments seek to make our Founders Biblical Christianity illegal. God richly blest our Founders even with their clay feet. Secular and religious circles are dividing us over human sexuality. Secular and sacred are divided; many religious circles themselves are divided over human sexuality into irresolvable contradictory non-Biblical Christianity and Biblical Christianity options - - more specifically non-Biblical (partial-Bible) Christianity and Biblical (total-Bible) Christianity of the ages and of our Colonial Founders. One side does not believe (accept) the "facts" and "logic" of the other side and vice versa. Jesus the Christ supports all of the Bible (see the writings we just mentioned earlier).

A very big problem against Biblical Christianity of our Founders and against our Constitutional Freedom of Religion is the fact that this culture war uses the Federal Government for huge fines and possibly jail for people whose religion is that of our Colonial Founders whom God richly blest. The biggest problem though is that the culture war seeks to make Biblical Christianity of our Founders illegal. The Equality Act will make Biblical Christianity illegal and end Constitutional religious freedom of our civilization. At the time of this

writing here, it is reported that the Equality Act will let men use women's restrooms, showers, locker rooms; it will give us same sex marriage; it will erase distinctions between male and female sports; no one can insist that there is a biological difference between male and female; politically correct sexual pronouns will be required; and much more. All infractions will be Federal Government crimes with enforcement consequences! Those who proclaim the opposite Bible truths in these matters will be headed toward facing fines and jail like in other countries! The Equality Act has already past the U. S. House of Representatives by a wide measure. If it does not make it through the U. S. Senate and White House, other similar attempts may likely follow. Are Biblical Christians ready to go underground and no longer have Constitutional religious freedom? How much are we willing to lose?

Patrick Henry.

What would give us a view of how Patrick Henry might attack our present situation today of attacks on Biblical Christianity and religious freedom? If we substitute our present situation (of attacks on Biblical Christianity of our Founders and ending religious freedom) into the words of the Colonial situation in Patrick Henry's speech, we may have a view of how the great Biblical Christian Patrick Henry might address our situation. Hear now Patrick Henry's speech **{WITH SUBSTITUTIONS}** that changed the world:

Patrick Henry's Speech in favor of forming an armed defense to do whatever is needed

No man thinks more highly than I do of the patriotism **{BIBLICAL CHRISTIANITY ZEAL}**, as well as abilities, of the very worthy gentlemen who have just addressed the House *{the fleeing House of Burgesses}*. But different men often see the same subject in different lights; and, therefore, I hope it will not be thought disrespectful to those gentlemen if, entertaining as I do opinions of a character very opposite to theirs, I shall speak forth my sentiments freely and without reserve. This is no time for ceremony *{an artificial ceremonial-in-nature discussion making no ruffled feathers}*. The questing before the House is one of awful moment to this country **{AMERICA, who can be greatly changed}**. For my own part, I consider it as nothing less than a question of freedom **{FREEDOM FOR COLONIAL AMERICAN BIBLICAL CHRISTIAN CONSTITUTIONAL RELIGIOUS FREEDOM}** or slavery **{DEATH TO BIBLICAL CHRISTIAN CONSTITUTIONAL RELIGIOUS FREEDOM}**; and in proportion to the magnitude **{America can be very greatly changed!}** of the subject ought to be the freedom of the debate. It is only in this way that we can hope to arrive at truth, and fulfill the great responsibility which we hold to God and our country **{AMERICA}**. Should I keep back my opinions at such a time, through fear of giving offense, I should consider myself as guilty of treason towards my country **{TREASON TOWARDS OUR AMERICA IF WE DO NOT FACE THE FACTS EVEN IF SOME FIND THEM OFFENSIVE}**, and of an act of disloyalty toward the Majesty

of Heaven {**GOD**}, which I revere above all earthly kings {**GOD IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT**}.

Mr. President {~~President of the Virginia House of Burgesses~~} {**BIBLICAL CHRISTIANS AND SUPPORTERS OF RELIGIOUS FREEDOM GUARENTEED IN THE U.S. CONSTITUTION**}, it is natural to man {**MANKIND**} to indulge in the illusions of hope {*hoping that bad things will just go away*}. We are apt to shut our eyes against a painful truth, and listen to the song of that siren {**THE DEVIL SATAN**} till she {**HE**} transforms us into beasts. Is this the part of wise men, engaged in a great and arduous struggle for liberty {**BIBLICAL CHRISTIANS AND SUPPORTERS OF RELIGIOUS FREEDOM GUARENTEED IN THE U.S. CONSTITUTION**}? Are we disposed to be of the number of those who, having eyes, see not, and, having ears, hear not, the things which so nearly concern their temporal salvation {**making our world worth living in**}? For my part, whatever anguish of spirit it may cost, I am willing to know the whole truth; to know the worst, and to provide for it {**do whatever is necessary**}. I have but one lamp by which my feet are guided, and that is the lamp of experience. I know of no way of judging the future but by the past {**SPEAKING OF WHAT THE OPPOSITION HAS DONE (even though Patrick Henry is a devote Biblical Christian who ultimately uses the Scriptures for living)**}. And judging by the past, I wish to know what there has been in the conduct of the British ministry {**FEDERAL GOVERNMENT**} for the last ten years to justify those hopes {**wishing things would just get better on its own**} with which gentlemen have been pleased to solace {**comfort**} themselves and the House {House of Burgesses}. Is it that insidious smile {**fake courtesy**} with which our petition has been lately received? Trust it not, sir; it will prove a snare to your feet. Suffer not yourselves to be betrayed with a kiss {**LIKE JESUS CHRIST WAS BETRAYED; SATAN'S USUAL MESSAGE LIKE HE SAID IN THE GARDEN OF EDEN IS "IT AIN'T SO, IT WON'T HAPPEN"**}. Ask yourselves how this gracious reception of our petition comports {fits with} with those warlike preparations {**THE CULTURE WAR IS ALREADY USING THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO ATTACK BIBLICAL CHRISTIANS AND IS PLANNING MORE SERIOUS THINGS**} which cover our waters and darken our land {**BRITISH SOLDIER ARE IN THE NORTH OF THE COLONIES! And for us the Equality Act is upon us among other things!**}. Are fleets and armies necessary to a work of love and reconciliation {**IS THE EQUALITY ACT AMONG OTHER THINGS A WORK OF LOVE AND RECONCILIATION?**}? Have we shown ourselves so unwilling to be reconciled that force {**THE FORCE OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT**} must be called in to win back our love {**MAKE US ILLEGAL TO WIN BACK OUR LOVE?**}? Let us not deceive ourselves, sir. These are the implements of war and subjugation {**A CULTURE WAR TO MAKE US ILLEGAL**}; the last arguments to which kings {**THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT USING LAWS TO MAKE US ILLEGAL TO**} resort. I ask gentlemen, sir, what means this martial array {**FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ACTIONS**}, if its purpose be not to force us to submission {**MAKING PROCLAIMING OUR FOUNDERS BIBLICAL CHRISTIANITY ILLEGAL AND ENDING CONSTITUTION FREEDOM OF RELIGION**}? Can gentlemen assign any other possible motive for it? Has Great Britain {**THE CULTURE WAR**} any enemy, in this quarter of the world, to call for all this accumulation of navies and armies {**FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ACTIONS**}? No, sir, she has none {**NONE!**}. They are meant for us {**TODAY'S ADHERENTS TO OUR FOUNDERS'**}.
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BIBLICAL CHRISTIANITY!: they can be meant for no other. They are sent over to bind and rivet upon us those chains which the ~~British ministry~~ {**CULTURE WAR AND THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT**} have been so long forging.

And what have we to ~~oppose to them~~ {**WHAT HAVE WE TO OPPOSE THE CULTURE WAR?**? Shall we try argument? Sir, we have been trying that for the last ten years. Have we anything new to offer upon the subject? Nothing. We have held the subject up in every light of which it is capable; but it has been all in vain. Shall we resort to entreaty and humble supplication? What terms shall we find which have not been already exhausted? Let us not, I beseech you, sir, deceive ourselves. Sir, we have done everything that could be done to avert the storm which is now coming on. We have petitioned; we have remonstrated {*scolded in protest in court and otherwise*}; we have supplicated; we have prostrated ourselves before the throne, and have implored its interposition to arrest the tyrannical hands of the ~~ministry and Parliament~~ {**THE CULTURE WAR AND THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT**}. Our petitions have been slighted; our remonstrances have produced additional violence and insult; our supplications have been disregarded; and we have been spurned, with contempt {**CONTEMPTABLE PERSECUTION**}, from the foot of the throne! In vain, after these things, may we indulge the fond hope of peace and reconciliation. There is no longer any room for hope {**DON'T BE A FOOL!**}. If we wish to be free— if we mean to preserve inviolate those inestimable privileges {**OUR FOUNDERS' BIBLICAL CHRISTIANITY AND CONSTITUTIONAL RELIGIOUS FREEDOM!**} for which we have been so long contending—if we mean not basely to abandon the noble struggle in which we have been so long engaged, and which we have pledged ourselves never to abandon {**PUT OUR MONEY WHERE OUR MOUTH IS**} until the glorious object of our contest shall be obtained—we must fight! {**WE MUST BECOME VERY POLITICALLY ACTIVE UNDER THE GUIDANCE OF GOD AND JESUS CHRIST!!!**} I repeat it, sir, we must fight! {**WE MUST BECOME VERY POLITICALLY ACTIVE UNDER THE GUIDANCE OF GOD AND JESUS CHRIST!!!**} An appeal to {**POLITICAL ACTION**} arms and to the God of hosts is all that is left us! {**IN ALL OF CREATION POLITICAL ACTION AND THE GOD OF ALL CREATION IS OUR "ONLY" APPEAL FOR SUCCESS! OUR "ONLY" HOPE FOR WINNING THE CULTURE WAR!**}

They tell us, sir, that we are weak; unable to cope with so formidable an adversary. {**YES, WE "APPEAR" TO BE POLITICALLY WEAK TO WIN THIS MASSIVE CULTURE WAR.**} But when shall we be stronger? Will it be the next week {**NO**}, or the next year? {**NO, WE WILL NEVER BE STRONGER THAN WE ARE RIGHT NOW.**} Will it be when we are totally disarmed {**THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT DRAINS US OF MONEY IN PERSECUTION FINES AND CAN PUT MANY OF US IN JAIL FOR OBEYING GOD RATHER THAN MAN**}, and when a ~~British guard~~ {**A KIND OF FEDERAL GOVERNMENT MILITARY RULE**} shall be stationed in every house? {**OVER ALL CHRISTIANS?**} {**NO, NO.**} {**YOU LAUGH. REMEMBER NAZI GERMANY WHO WAITED TOO LATE TO SAVE THEIR CIVILIZATION; AND REMEMBER GUILLOTINE FRANCE; AND THE RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT WHO CAME INTO THE CHURCH, TOOK THE PASTOR OUTSIDE AND LINED HIM UP AGAINST THE WALL AND SSHOT! HHIM! DDEAD!!!?**} Shall we gather strength by irresolution and inaction? {**CERTAINLY NOT!**} Shall we acquire the means of effectual resistance by lying supinely

on our backs and hugging the delusive phantom of hope, until our enemies shall have bound us hand and foot? **{MOST CERTAINLY NOT! REMEMBER ROME THAT LET THEIR CIVILIZATION ROT OUT FROM UNDER THEM?}**

Sir, we are not weak **{WE ARE NOT WEAK}** if we make a proper use of those means which the God of nature hath placed in our power **{PRAYER, GROWING IN OUR CHRISTIAN UNDERSTANDING AND BIBLE USE, POLITICAL ACTION, BALLOT BOX, RUNNING FOR OFFICE, PERSUADING THE VOTERS TO VOTE FOR US, CHANGING THE RELIGIOUS CULTURE OF THE VOTERS SO THAT IT WILL HAVE AN ELECTORATE THAT WILL VOTE FOR US, CONVERTING OUR CITIZENS AS JESUS CHRIST HAS COMMISSIONED, GETTING OUR MESSAGE OUT, SURPRISES, ETC.}**. The millions of people, armed in the holy cause of liberty **{FREEDOM}**, and in such a country as that which we possess **{FREE AMERICANS WHO BELIEVE IN THE BIBLICAL CHRISTIANITY OF OUR FOUNDERS}**, are invincible by any force which our enemy can send against us. Besides, sir, we shall not fight our battles alone. **{WE ARE NOT ALONE IN FIGHTING SATAN - - JESUS CHRIST HAS DEFEATED SATAN ON THE CROSS AND HE CAN BE CALLED ON TO GUIDE AND HELP. ALSO SEE THE BIBLE BOOK OF PSALMS CONCERNING TRUSTING GOD, EVEN WHEN WE ARE HELPLESS, WHEN EVIL PEOPLE ATTACK. DON'T TRUST OUR UNGUIDED POWER.}** There is a just God who presides over the destinies of nations, and who will raise up friends to fight our battles for us. **{A JUST GOD HAS AN INTEREST IN OUR FIGHT! GOD IS THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN ULTIMATELY SOLVE OUR VERY COMPLEX PROBLEM. THE ULTIMATE PART FOR US IS TO NOTICE THAT RELIGION IN AMERICA TODAY HAS GROWN AWAY FROM RELIGION IN COLONIAL AMERICA. WE NEED TO HUMBLE OURSELVES AND CONFESS OUR SINS TO THE ONE WHO "is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness".}** The battle, sir, is not to the strong alone; it is to the vigilant, the active, the brave. **{THE BATTLE IS FOR THE ONE WHO TAKES PROPER ACTION. ... (THE BIBLE TELLS YOU HOW TO LIVE IN A SLAVERY CIVILIZATION EITHER AS OWNER OR AS A SLAVE UNTIL SOME PEOPLE COME ALONG WINNING FREEDOM.) ... THE AMERICAN CIVIL WAR ENDED SLAVERY, NOT BECAUSE THE WAR SHOWED THAT SLAVERY IS EVIL, INSTEAD THE WAR ENDED SLAVERY BECAUSE THE SIDE THAT WANTED TO END SLAVERY "WON"! THE BATTLE IS FOR THE VIGILANT, THE ACTIVE, THE BRAVE!}** Besides, sir, we have no election. **{OUR SITUATION GIVES US NO CHOICE BUT TO FIGHT!}** If we were base enough to desire it **{HAD A CHARACTER THAT WOULD DESIRE IT}**, it is now too late to retire from the contest **{WE ARE TRAPPED BY THE MOMENT OF HUMAN HISTORY IN WHICH WE HAVED STEPPED. THERE ARE TIMES IN LIFE IN WHEN WE HAVE ONLY TWO IRRESOLVABLE CONTRADICTIONARY OPTIONS IN WHICH TO CHOOSE AND ANY WAY WE HANDLE THEM WE WILL BE CHOOSING ONE OF THESE OPTIONS. AT HIS TEMPTATION BY SATAN, JESUS CHRIST FACED SUCH TWO IRRESOLVABLE CONTRADICTIONARY OPTIONS IN WHICH ANY WAY HE HANDLED THE OPTIONS HE WOULD BE CHOOSING ONE OF THE OPTIONS. "And (Satan) the Devil, taking Him (Jesus Christ) up to a high mountain, showed to Him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. And the Devil said to Him, 'All this power will I give You, and the glory of them: for that is delivered unto me; and**

to whomsoever I will I give it. If You therefore will worship me, all shall be Yours. (probably contains lies because Satan the Devil is the father of lies.)’ And Jesus answered and said unto him, ‘You get behind Me, Satan: for it is written, “You shall worship the Lord your God, and Him only shall you serve.””}. There is no retreat but in submission and slavery **{ALLOWING THE BIBLICAL CHRISTIANITY OF OUR FOUNDERS TO BE BLOCKED AND MAKING IT ILLEGAL PLUS ENDINING CONSTITUTIONAL FREEDOM OF RELIGION}**! Our chains are forged! Their clanking may be heard on the plains of Boston! **{British soldiers are already in Boston prepared for action anywhere in the Colonies}**! **{IN OUR CASE TODAY CHRISTIANS ARE HAULED INTO COURT GIVEN HEAVY FINES AND POSSIBLE JAIL PLUS THE EQUALITY ACT IS UPON US!}** The war is inevitable—and let it come! I repeat it, sir, let it come. **{A FULL BLOWN CULTURE WAR IN AMERCA IS INEVITABLE – AND LET IT COME – LET IT COME AND BE SETTLED!}** It is in vain, sir, to extenuate the matter **{pretend that the matter is not a big deal}**. Gentlemen may cry, Peace, Peace— but there is no peace **{DON’T LET YOURSELVES BE FOOLED BY SATAN}**. The war is actually begun! The next gale that sweeps from the north will bring to our ears the clash of resounding arms! **{THE BRITISH SOLDIERS ARE UP NORTH IN BOSTON AND CAN SWOOP DOWN UPON THE FLEEING VIRGINIA HOUSE OF BURGESSES – THE WAR HAS ACTUALLY BEGUN! IN OUR CASE TODAY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT COURTS ARE HAULING IN CHRISTIANS AND ONE BRANCH OF THE LEGISLATURE HAS PASSED THE EQUALITY ACT – THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IS THE VEHICLE FOR THE CULTURE WAR – TODAY, THE CULTURE WAR HAS ACTUALLY BEGUN!}** Our brethren are already in the field **{CHRISTIANS ARE ALREADY UNDER ATTACK AND ALL OF US ARE IN THE CROSSHAIRS!}**! Why stand we here idle?

What is it that gentlemen wish? What would they have? Is life so dear, or peace so sweet **{AVOID ROCKING THE BOAT AND AVOIDING PERSECUTION AND FALSELY HOPING FOR A SWEET, WONDERFUL, SERENE LIFE}**, as to be purchased at the price of chains and slavery **{BLOCKING THE BIBLICAL CHRISTIANITY OF OUR FOUNDERS MAKING IT ILLEGAL AND ENDINING CONSTITUTIONAL FREEDOM OF RELIGION}**? Forbid it, Almighty God! I know not what course others may take; but as for me, give me liberty **{FREEDOM}** or give me death! **{“For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?”}**

Footnote: The Virginia Burgesses voted to form an armed defense to do whatever is needed. The American Revolutionary War had begun. What will we do?

Israel’s little David with a slingshot and a small stone defeated the big, bad giant Goliath who was defying the God of Israel. Similar to Goliath, our Federal Government as an institution has defied the living God, the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel.

Come. Let’s get our slingshots!

Firearms, ballot boxes, Linclon's conclusion.

I know how to use a little David slingshot. We are at war! A culture war. And, the religious insights of our Founders that gave us this great nation is in much decline. Also, people are mentioning firearms in this culture war. We need leadership to keep us from going on to the dust heap of former nations. God is watching. Say your prayers and become like our Abraham Lincoln in this culture war! Lincoln defeated the other side and then said: "With malice toward none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in, to bind up the nation's wounds, to care for him who shall have borne the battle and for his widow and his orphan, to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace among ourselves and with all nations."

Cautions for leaders.

Leaders in the Bible: at one point the people rebelled against Moses who miraculously led them out of Egypt. They ask him who made you a captain over us. These people were never allowed into the Promise Land. The end of David, a reformed sinner, and Joshua got good write-ups in the Bible at their end. Saul lost the kingdom for using his ideas in place of obeying God. Solomon had the kingdom taking away from his family due to his sin and disobedience.

Our slingshot is humble prayer.

It is written that the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man (or woman) availeth much. If your mind still works at any age - - you are invited to humbly pray for us and the nation. Thanks!

Freedom of Religion.

Know exactly what the Constitution says about freedom of religion. It does not mention "wall" or "separation of church and state". These ideas were written years after the Constitution as an attempt by Jefferson to interpret the Constitution. A note about Jefferson: God gives us gifts and talents to us before we convert to Him. Hopefully gifted and talented Jefferson changed before he died. He cut the resurrection of Jesus Christ out of his Bible. He cut the miracles of Jesus out of his Bible. He was not typical in the religion of our Founders.

It is time for slingshots! Humble Prayer is our slingshot!

The character of our nation will not change without prayer. Laws can be passed to help our nation. Laws cannot be passed to change our character or to get people to believe the religion of our Founders.

At one point in the nation Israel God considered 7,000 seeking Him to be enough for God to take action. Let's try for 7,000.

The Bible book of Ephesians has information on how to deal with Satan.

The ancient Israelites ask God before going to war. When they didn't, they got stomped! See Proverbs 3:5-8 "Trust in the Lord with all your heart; and lean not unto your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths. Be not wise in your own eyes: fear the Lord, and depart from evil. It shall be health to your navel, and marrow to your bones." See what God and Jesus Christ might put in your mind that you could ascribe to them.

America is still the greatest that has ever happened! Let's not lose it! There has been decline within the America structure involving justice and philosophies due to our problem with the Founders' religion!

So what shall we do? Shall all live in our own little philosophy corners to keep peace? Shall we live peacefully within the great American structure? This document has given support for the **Proposition:** America is losing the primary religion of our Founders that God greatly blest more than any other civilization in human history; thus, this is resulting with national decline. But for individually and possibly for all, we can revive and the structure hopefully is still there for all who accept. To get all that God has for us, we will need humble prayer and we need to investigate and accept the Founders' religion.

Let's get our poetic slingshots! Humbly prayer is our slingshot.

Thanks for reading "An American Revival And A Slingshot". God Bless You! If you liked this document, please tell others to get a copy at danielhookemusic.com on the Documents. Thanks!

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(This Document now is a continuation of:
“THE SOLOMON PROJECT”, Chapter One)

Hello, again, from Daniel,

Solomon says:

Proverbs 15:8 – “The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination to the Lord: but the prayer of the upright is His delight.”

Proverbs 15:29 – “The Lord is far from the wicked: but he hears the prayer of the righteous.”

Proverbs 15:3 – “The eyes of the Lord are in every place, beholding the evil and the good.”

Proverbs 28:9 – “He that turns away his ear from hearing the law, even his prayer shall be abomination.”

Independent Research Comments (Also Bible Authority):

- Chapter One of “The Solomon Project” is mainly independent research about the religion of our Colonial Americans whom God greatly blest and gave the greatest nation in the history of mankind. This religion (Biblical Christianity) is now declining and so God is now letting America decline.
- Chapter Two of “The Solomon Project” is mainly independent research about Biblical Christianity in which the Bible is accepted as the ultimate source of knowledge of religious earthly life and life after death into eternity. This is because the Bible is supported by Jesus the Christ Who rose from the dead never to die again and Who died for our sins in our place so that we can live forever in Heavenly Paradise with a holy God.
- Please be aware that we will face much error about many matters in our lifetime even from surprising sources [See the Churches at the beginning of Revelation]! Also: Matthew 24:4 - And Jesus answered and said unto them, “Take heed that no man deceive you.” 2 Timothy 3:13 - But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived.
- How do we then of limited human mind stay out of error? Let Jesus’ use of Scriptures guide us as we follow Him! More precisely: use the Bible based

on the authority of Jesus Christ, correctly interpreted, and under his guidance. Jesus Christ supports the Bible down to the “jot and tittle”!!! There is no better source!!! We just earlier said why. Let no one else be your ultimate source!!! I am not your ultimate source! Interpreting the Bible the way Jesus, God’s Son, does is the reason this document that you are reading is called “‘Biblical’ Christianity”. There are other ways to interpret the Bible and thus other forms of Christianity. But we are using “Biblical Christianity” here and trying to get you to use “Biblical Christianity”. See the website danielhookemusic.com for four documents on the Authority of the Bible on the Documents link and a more complete statement about the authority of Jesus Christ and His support of “Biblical” Christianity. In the end times when we all have to individually stand before Jesus (2 Cor. 5:10) after our place in eternity is out of our hands, I do not want to be in a position of telling Jesus that that is not the way I interpreted it when speaking about the Bible. I had been given information to know better! Whom am I to tell Jesus Christ how to interpret the Bible that He supports? I will need instead need to thank Him for dying for my sins in my place so that I can live forever with a holy God in Heaven!

- The Bible Old Testament and New Testament is the words of Christ, the message of the prophets and the apostles including Paul who Christ selected to be a voice Him and also Peter considers Paul to be Scripture. Jesus Christ supports the Bible. An incomplete study of a topic in the Bible can lead to trouble. Worse, others have tried to add to or change the words of the Bible but these people are not Christ nor those whose message Christ supports to speak for Him in the Bible. These others do not have the support of Christ as these He has selected above. For instance, when some non-Bible-writer wants to change the Bible words: “shall not inherit the kingdom of God”, in some type of compatibility discussion, that person does not have the authority to do so in the face of Jesus Who argues down to the “jot and tittle” and there are no words from Jesus or His Bible messengers to support such words that are suggested!
- In the Churches in the last days in the book of Revelation, Jesus lists needed corrections and also rewards. The Nicolaitanes are listed twice as a disappointment to Jesus. Jesus does not hesitate to talk about the need for repentance. “Remember therefore from whence you are fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto you quickly, and will remove My candlestick out of his place, except you repent. But this you have, that you hate the deeds of the Nicolaitanes, which I also hate.” ... “But I have a few things against you, because you have there them that hold the doctrine of Balaam, who taught Balac to cast a stumblingblock before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to commit fornication. So have you also them that hold the doctrine of the Nicolaitanes, which thing I hate. Repent; or else I will come unto you quickly, and will fight against them with the sword of My mouth.” ... What has the Nicolaitanes done that is disappointing to Jesus? But notice this: “As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent. Behold, I stand at the door, and

knock: if any man hear My voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with Me.” “if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him.” “any” in “any man” by definition would include any repentant “Nicolaitanes”! ... “To him that overcomes will I grant to sit with Me in My throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with My Father in His throne.”

- “Jesus Christ {is} the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.” He can get angry and take action. He can describe heaven and hell. See the Churches in Revelation where people are held individually responsible for their life in the Church. Some will be individually rewarded. Some will be taken up to heaven in the Rapture. Others will be left to go through the terrible Tribulation. “He that has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says unto the churches.” “Behold, I come quickly.” Scriptures say, “Watch therefore: for you know not what hour your Lord does come.”
- Please now listen to and view on your computer “Variations On ‘Jesus Loves Me’” on the danielhookemusic.com website on the Music Videos Link. Use earphones or a good speaker system. Click the Fullscreen button. Enjoy!
- [You are encouraged to make good copies of your downloaded copy of “The Solomon Project”, and the “{Handout Sheet} from The Solomon Project”, and “Let’s Clean Up Our Act Before It’s Too Late And Also Let’s Eliminate The Unjust Federal Tax System” and pass these on. Thanks!] Daniel

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The Solomon Project

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Why do I ask and invite you to take your time to do “The Solomon Project”?

The Situation: I submit to you from my independent studies that Biblical Christianity and Colonial America Christianity are the same.

The Problem: America has gotten away from our religious Founders whom God so richly blest! Compared to Colonial America Christianity - - religious beliefs today in America has become conflicting fractionalized and is declining. Some analysis would even say that America is declining. So why do these things reveal a problem? God has never in all of human history given a civilization a country like America. But America has gotten away from our religious Founders whom God so richly blest! Why should God be pleased to continue our civilization? This is a Problem!

The Solution: So what should we do? We will not be able to get all of America to accept Colonial America Christianity. But is there a number that God would accept and God would then bless and return us to the great nation of our Founders?

In 1 Kings 19:18 the prophet Elijah was greatly troubled about the civilization Israel. But God told him that He (God) had a team of 7,000 that He (God) could work with. “Yet I have left Me seven thousand in Israel, all the knees which have not bowed unto Baal, and every mouth which have not kissed him.”

Thus, let’s try for 7,000 to return or recommit to the primary religion of our Founders to see if that is enough for God to again re-establish and richly bless this unique America government civilization.

The Administration of “The Solomon Project”: To stop the decline in America and show a return to or recommitment to the primary religion of our Founders we will use “The Solomon Project”. “The Solomon Project” will be prayer-based and use the below Documents and Music Videos from the danielhookemusic.com website. Although our Founders did not make a detailed articulated theology of their primary religious practices, these materials come from my study of their Colonial America Christianity and Biblical Christianity.

Documents link:

“The Solomon Project” - An American Revival And A Slingshot / A Personal Look At American Democracy; Solomon’s “Book Of Proverbs” As A Prayer / [slingshot prayers];

Independent Research Comments (Also Bible Authority);

4 Documents position statements on “The Authority Of The Bible”;

The Birth, Life, Death, And Resurrection Of Jesus Christ // Art Music with Program Notes (52 min.), a Major Work; Music Videos link;

The Flowers Of Sarah // (54 min.) It is a special piece of Elegant Beauty on the Music Videos link. It has a spiritual message about our partnership with God;

“I’m Sorry! When We Elders Leave The Planet, We Had Hoped To Leave The World A Better Place For You Young Ones. However, There May Yet Be A Way For Your Land Still To Be Healed.” (Document) ... Have A Good Day! God Bless You!

THE SOLOMON PROJECT

Chapter Two

Solomon's "Book Of Proverbs" As A Prayer

Directions: Read the selected verse(s). Pray and Meditate.

Note: Solomon has been dead for quite a few years. But you can still talk to him. You should talk to anyone trying to give you information! They might be giving you bad information! You can still talk to people even though it may not be a live conversation. In books, TV, radio, etc. talk to the speaker in your mind and then get your answer or lack thereof from what they are saying or have said. When you read Solomon, ask questions and then look for answers. Look up words. Ask for his research and then look for it. Is his data sound or questionable? You may not understand all. Why won't he accept your position? How does he attack your position? Make sure you are listening to Solomon carefully! Do you get the idea about how to talk to Solomon? One very famous person rejected Solomon's wisdom. Hopefully he changed before he died. That person was Solomon! See 1 Kings 11. In his later days Solomon did not believe himself at great cost!!! He did not believe the wisdom God had given him. He let sin pull him astray. "Solomon did evil in the sight of the Lord, and went not fully after the Lord, as did David his father." His father David had a great sin problem also but he greatly repented in Psalm 51! We are using the wisdom of God that God gave us through Solomon before Solomon's fall.

Do you believe that God still stands behind the wisdom He gave to Solomon. Jesus the Christ believes God: "Blessed are they that hear the Word of God and keep it." (Jesus the Christ speaking in Luke 11:28)

The Proverb is usually divided into two parts: It states what is the good way to live often giving the rewards of doing such and then in "contrast" it states the bad way to live often giving what will happen sometimes if you choose the bad way even including hell as a warning.

Sometimes the Proverb just includes statements on the good way to live.

THE “CONTRAST” SIMPLY STATED:

- **Good choice = rewards**
- **Bad choice = costs**
- **You can do better than Solomon sometimes himself did!**

Pray and meditate on each of the 2 contrasting parts as they apply to you. - - If you see a prayer. ... (While watching a video:) If you need to hit the “Pause” button for a longer prayer or to read something, do so and then hit the button to continue.

ENJOY AND PROFIT!

LET US PRAY.

Jesus Christ, open up all of these Solomon’s wisdoms to us just like You opened the Scriptures to the two on the road to Emmaus.

Amen

Proverbs 1:1-6 – “The proverbs of Solomon the son of David, king of Israel; To know wisdom and instruction; to perceive the words of understanding; To receive the instruction of wisdom, justice, and judgment, and equity; To give subtilty to the simple, to the young man knowledge and discretion. A wise man will hear, and will increase learning; and a man of understanding shall attain unto wise counsels: To understand a proverb, and the interpretation; the words of the wise, and their dark sayings.”

- **[Prayer & Meditation suggestion] God, we thank you for Solomon whom You gave wisdom to make him the world’s wisest man other than Your Son Jesus the Christ the Messiah Whom You sent to die on the cross for our sins in our place since we cannot erase our sins and thus we can now live forever with You holy God for Whom no sin can be in Your presence.**

{pause}

Amen

{some background} 1 Kings 3:1-15 when Solomon was made king and the wisest, (1 Kings 3:16-28 example). 2 Chronicles 1:7-12 when Solomon was made king and the wisest ever. 1 Kings 4:29-34 Solomon's wisdom. 1 Kings 10:1-13 and 2 Chronicles 9:1-12 the Queen of Sheba. 1 Kings 11 Solomon did not believe himself at great cost!

Proverbs 1:7 – “The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction.”

- **[Prayer & Meditation suggestion] Awesome God, Who created us and everything in the universe, we humble ourselves and seek You for understanding. Forgive us for the times that we have despised Your wisdom and instruction when it interfered with our selfish ways.**

{pause}

Amen

Proverbs 1:8-9 – “My son, hear the instruction of your father, and forsake not the law of your mother: For they shall be an ornament of grace unto your head, and chains about your neck.”

- **[Prayer & Meditation suggestion] God, thank you that you have made a family from a man and a woman to guide me. I appreciate that Your wisdom made families and for the guidance they have given me. Help me to do my part in holding my family together in your design and in holding your plan of families together.**

{pause}

Amen

Proverbs 1:10, 15, 33 – “My son, if sinners entice you, you consent not. ... My son, you walk not in the way with them; refrain your foot from their path: ... But whoso hearkens unto Me shall dwell safely, and shall be quiet from fear of evil.”

- [Prayer & Meditation suggestion] God, thank you for guiding me with these words of wisdom through Solomon. It is a comfort to know how You protect those who obey You. You created me and the universe. Why should I think that I should tell You how I need to act? Forgive us of our sins.

{pause}

Amen

{see Solomon’s full discussion of the topic: Proverbs 1:10-33: My son, if sinners entice you, you consent not. If they say, ‘Come with us, let us lay wait for blood, let us lurk privily for the innocent without cause: Let us swallow them up alive as the grave; and whole, as those that go down into the pit: We shall find all precious substance, we shall fill our houses with spoil: Cast in your lot among us; let us all have one purse:’ My son, you walk not in the way with them; refrain thy foot from their path. For their feet run to evil, and make haste to shed blood. Surely in vain the net is spread in the sight of any bird. And they lay wait for their own blood; they lurk privily for their own lives. So are the ways of every one that is greedy of gain; which takes away the life of the owners thereof. Wisdom cries without; she utters her voice in the streets: She cries in the chief place of concourse, in the openings of the gates: in the city she utters her words, saying, ‘How long, you simple ones, will you love simplicity? and the scornors delight in their scorning, and fools hate knowledge?’ *You turn at my reproof: behold, I will pour out my spirit unto you, I will make known my words unto you. Because I have called, and you refused; I have stretched out my hand, and no man regarded; But you have set at nought all my counsel, and would none of my reproof:* I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when your fear comes; When your fear comes as desolation, and your destruction comes as a whirlwind; when distress and anguish come upon you. Then shall they call upon me, but I will not answer; they shall seek me early, but they shall not find me: For that they hated knowledge, and did not

choose the fear of the Lord: *They would none of my counsel: they despised all my reproof. Therefore shall they eat of the fruit of their own way, and be filled with their own devices. For the turning away of the simple shall slay them, and the prosperity of fools shall destroy them. But whoso hearkens unto me shall dwell safely, and shall be quiet from fear of evil.*’}

- [Prayer & Meditation suggestion] God, thank you for guiding me with these words of wisdom through Solomon. It is a comfort to know how You protect those who obey You. You created me and the universe. Why should I think that I should tell You how I need to act? Forgive us of our sins.

{pause}

Amen

Proverbs 2:6-12, 16 – “For the Lord gives wisdom: out of His mouth comes knowledge and understanding. He lays up sound wisdom for the righteous: He is a buckler to them that walk uprightly. He keeps the paths of judgment, and preserves the way of His saints. Then shall you understand righteousness, and judgment, and equity; yes, every good path. When wisdom enters into your heart, and knowledge is pleasant unto your soul; Discretion shall preserve you, understanding shall keep you: To deliver you from the way of the evil man, from the man that speaks froward {contrary} things; To deliver you from the strange woman, even from the stranger which flatters with her words;

- [Pray & Meditate] You can say a quick prayer at the end of each reading and/or say prayers about the whole Proverbs chapter at the end of each Proverbs chapter. Use the printed copy to review.

{comments: see the Bible for more verses in this chapter on the subject; also, “strange woman” likely refers to a woman with poor moral character and/or be of a religion that is not of God. }

Proverbs 2:21-22 – “For the upright shall dwell in the land, and the perfect shall remain in it. But the wicked shall be cut off from the earth, and the transgressors shall be rooted out of it.”

Proverbs 3:1-2 – “My son, forget not my law; but let your heart keep my commandments: For length of days, and long life, and peace, shall they add to you.”

Proverbs 3:3-4 – “Let not mercy and truth forsake you: bind them about your neck; write them upon the table of your heart: So shall you find favour and good understanding in the sight of God and man.”

Proverbs 3:5-8 – “Trust in the Lord with all your heart; and lean not unto your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths. Be not wise in your own eyes: fear the Lord, and depart from evil. It shall be health to your navel, and marrow to your bones.”

{comment: see what good ideas God and Jesus Christ put into your mind.}

Proverbs 3:9-10 – “Honour the Lord with your substance, and with the firstfruits of all your increase: So shall your barns be filled with plenty, and your presses shall burst out with new wine.”

Proverbs 3:11-12 – “My son, despise not the chastening of the Lord; neither be weary of His correction: For whom the Lord loves He corrects; even as a father the son in whom he delights.”

Proverbs 3:13, 19-21 – “Happy is the man that finds wisdom, and the man that gets understanding. ... The Lord by wisdom has founded the earth; by understanding has He established the heavens. By His knowledge the depths are broken up, and the clouds drop down the dew. My son, let not them depart from your eyes: keep sound wisdom and discretion.”

{comment: see the Bible for more verses that are in this discussion.}

Proverbs 3:27-30 – “Withhold not good from them to whom it is due, when it is in the power of your hand to do it. Say not unto your neighbour, ‘Go, and come again, and tomorrow I will give’; when you have it by you. Devise not evil

against your neighbour, seeing he dwells securely by you. Strive not with a man without cause, if he have done you no harm.”

Proverbs 3:31-32 – “You envy not the oppressor, and choose none of his ways. For the froward {contrary} is abomination to the Lord: but His secret is with the righteous.”

Proverbs 3:33-35 – “The curse of the Lord is in the house of the wicked: but He blesses the habitation of the just. Surely He scorns the scorers: but He gives grace unto the lowly. The wise shall inherit glory: but shame shall be the promotion of fools.”

Proverbs 4:1-4 – “Hear, you children, the instruction of a father, and attend to know understanding. For I give you good doctrine, you forsake not my law. For I was my father's son, tender and only beloved in the sight of my mother. He taught me also, and said unto me, ‘Let thine heart retain my words: keep my commandments, and live.’”

Proverbs 4:5-13 – “Get wisdom, get understanding: forget it not; neither decline from the words of my mouth. Forsake her not, and she shall preserve you: love her, and she shall keep you. Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all your getting get understanding. Exalt her, and she shall promote you: she shall bring you to honour, when you do embrace her. She shall give to your head an ornament of grace: a crown of glory shall she deliver to you. Hear, O my son, and receive my sayings; and the years of your life shall be many. I have taught you in the way of wisdom; I have led you in right paths. When you go, your steps shall not be straitened; and when you run, you shalt not stumble. Take fast hold of instruction; let her not go: keep her; for she is your life.”

Proverbs 4:14-19 – “Enter not into the path of the wicked, and go not in the way of evil men. Avoid it, pass not by it, turn from it, and pass away. For they sleep not, except they have done mischief; and their sleep is taken away, unless they cause some to fall. For they eat the bread of wickedness, and drink the wine of violence. But the path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day. The way of the wicked is as darkness: they know not at what they stumble.

Proverbs 4:20-23 – “My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings. Let them not depart from your eyes; keep them in the midst of your

heart. For they are life unto those that find them, and health to all their flesh. Keep your heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life.

Proverbs 4:24-27 – “Put away from you a froward {contrary} mouth, and perverse lips put far from you. Let your eyes look right on, and let your eyelids look straight before you. Ponder the path of your feet, and let all your ways be established. Turn not to the right hand nor to the left: remove your foot from evil.

Proverbs 5:1-23 – “My son, attend unto my wisdom, and bow your ear to my understanding: That you may regard discretion, and that your lips may keep knowledge.

For the lips of a strange woman drop as an honeycomb, and her mouth is smoother than oil: But her end is bitter as wormwood, sharp as a two-edged sword. Her feet go down to death; her steps take hold on hell. Lest you should ponder the path of life, her ways are moveable, that you can not know them. Hear me now therefore, O you children, and depart not from the words of my mouth. Remove your way far from her, and come not nigh the door of her house: Lest you give your honour unto others, and your years unto the cruel: Lest strangers be filled with your wealth; and your labours be in the house of a stranger;

And you mourn at the last, when your flesh and your body are consumed, And say, ‘How have I hated instruction, and my heart despised reproof; And have not obeyed the voice of my teachers, nor inclined mine ear to them that instructed me! I was almost in all evil in the midst of the congregation and assembly.’

Drink waters out of your own cistern, and running waters out of your own well. Let your fountains be dispersed abroad, and rivers of waters in the streets. Let them be only your own, and not strangers' with you. Let your fountain be blessed: and rejoice with the wife of your youth. Let her be as the loving hind and pleasant roe; let her breasts satisfy you at all times; and you be ravished always with her love. And why will you, my son, be ravished with a strange woman, and embrace the bosom of a stranger? For the ways of man are before the eyes of the Lord, and He ponders all His goings. His own iniquities shall take the wicked himself, and he shall be holden with the cords of his sins. He shall die without instruction; and in the greatness of his folly he shall go astray.

{comment: at one point in his life Solomon did not follow his own advice – the wisdom that God gave him – one man and one woman make a family - rejoice with the wife of your youth – your own cistern, your own well.}

Proverbs 6:1-5 – “My son, if you be surety for your friend, if you have stricken your hand with a stranger, You are snared with the words of your mouth, you are taken with the words of your mouth. Do this now, my son, and deliver yourself, when you are come into the hand of your friend; go, humble yourself, and make sure your friend. Give not sleep to your eyes, nor slumber to your eyelids. Deliver yourself as a roe from the hand of the hunter, and as a bird from the hand of the fowler.

Proverbs 6:6-11 – “Go to the ant, you sluggard {lazy}; consider her ways, and be wise: Which having no guide, overseer, or ruler, Provides her meat in the summer, and gathers her food in the harvest. How long will you sleep, O sluggard? when will you arise out of your sleep? Yet a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep: So shall your poverty come as one that travels, and your want as an armed man.

Proverbs 6:12-15 – “A naughty person, a wicked man, walks with a froward {contrary} mouth. He winks with his eyes, he speaks with his feet, he teaches with his fingers; Frowardness {contrariness} is in his heart, he devises mischief continually; he sows discord. Therefore shall his calamity come suddenly; suddenly shall he be broken without remedy.”

Proverbs 6:16-19 – “These six things does the Lord hate: yes, seven are an abomination unto Him: A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood, An heart that devises wicked imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief, A false witness that speaks lies, and he that sows discord among brethren.”

Proverbs 6:20-29 – “My son, keep your father's commandment, and forsake not the law of your mother: Bind them continually upon your heart, and tie them about your neck. When you go, it shall lead you; when thou sleep, it shall keep you; and when thou awake, it shall talk with you. For the commandment is a lamp; and the law is light; and reproofs of instruction are the way of life: To keep you from the evil woman, from the flattery of the tongue of a strange woman. Lust not after her beauty in your heart; neither let her take you with her eyelids. For by means of a whorish woman a man is brought to a piece of

bread: and the adulteress will hunt for the precious life. Can a man take fire in his bosom, and his clothes not be burned? Can one go upon hot coals, and his feet not be burned? So he that goes in to his neighbour's wife; whosoever touches her shall not be innocent.”

Proverbs 6:30-31 – “Men do not despise a thief, if he steal to satisfy his soul when he is hungry; But if he be found, he shall restore sevenfold; he shall give all the substance of his house.”

Proverbs 6:32-35 – “But whoso commits adultery with a woman lacks understanding; he that does it destroys his own soul. A wound and dishonour shall he get; and his reproach shall not be wiped away. For jealousy is the rage of a man: therefore he will not spare in the day of vengeance. He will not regard any ransom; neither will he rest content, though you give many gifts.”

Proverbs 7:1-3 – “My son, keep my words, and lay up my commandments with you. Keep my commandments, and live; and my law as the apple of your eye. Bind them upon your fingers, write them upon the table of your heart.”

Proverbs 7:4-27 – “Say unto wisdom, ‘Thou art my sister;’ and call understanding your kinswoman: That they may keep you from the strange woman, from the stranger which flatters with her words. For at the window of my house I looked through my casement, And beheld among the simple ones, I discerned among the youths, a young man void of understanding, Passing through the street near her corner; and he went the way to her house, In the twilight, in the evening, in the black and dark night: And, behold, there met him a woman with the attire of an harlot, and subtil of heart. (She is loud and stubborn; her feet abide not in her house: Now is she without, now in the streets, and lies in wait at every corner.) So she caught him, and kissed him, and with an impudent face said unto him, I have peace offerings with me; this day have I payed my vows. Therefore came I forth to meet you, diligently to seek your face, and I have found you. I have decked my bed with coverings of tapestry, with carved works, with fine linen of Egypt. I have perfumed my bed with myrrh, aloes, and cinnamon. Come, let us take our fill of love until the morning: let us solace ourselves with loves. For the goodman is not at home, he is gone a long journey: He has taken a bag of money with him, and will come home at the day appointed. With her much fair speech she caused him to yield, with the flattering of her lips she forced him. He goes after her straightway, as an ox goes to the slaughter, or as a fool to the correction of the stocks; Till a dart strike through his liver; as a bird hastens to the snare, and knowsh not that it

is for his life. Hearken unto me now therefore, O you children, and attend to the words of my mouth. Let not your heart decline to her ways, go not astray in her paths. For she has cast down many wounded: yes, many strong men have been slain by her. Her house is the way to hell, going down to the chambers of death.”

Proverbs 8:1-36 – “Does not wisdom cry? and understanding put forth her voice? She stands in the top of high places, by the way in the places of the paths. She cries at the gates, at the entry of the city, at the coming in at the doors. Unto you, O men, I call; and my voice is to the sons of man. O you simple, understand wisdom: and, you fools, be you of an understanding heart. Hear; for I will speak of excellent things; and the opening of my lips shall be right things. For my mouth shall speak truth; and wickedness is an abomination to my lips. All the words of my mouth are in righteousness; there is nothing froward {contrary} or perverse in them. They are all plain to him that understands, and right to them that find knowledge. Receive my instruction, and not silver; and knowledge rather than choice gold. For wisdom is better than rubies; and all the things that may be desired are not to be compared to it. I wisdom dwell with prudence, and find out knowledge of witty inventions. The fear of the Lord is to hate evil: pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, and the froward {contrary} mouth, do I hate. Counsel is mine, and sound wisdom: I am understanding; I have strength. By me kings reign, and princes decree justice. By me princes rule, and nobles, even all the judges of the earth. I love them that love me; and those that seek me early shall find me. Riches and honour are with me; yes, durable riches and righteousness. My fruit is better than gold, yes, than fine gold; and my revenue than choice silver. I lead in the way of righteousness, in the midst of the paths of judgment: That I may cause those that love me to inherit substance; and I will fill their treasures. The Lord possessed me in the beginning of his way, before His works of old. I was set up from everlasting, from the beginning, or ever the earth was. When there were no depths, I was brought forth; when there were no fountains abounding with water. Before the mountains were settled, before the hills was I brought forth: While as yet He had not made the earth, nor the fields, nor the highest part of the dust of the world. When He prepared the heavens, I was there: when He set a compass upon the face of the depth: When He established the clouds above: when He strengthened the fountains of the deep: When He gave to the sea His decree, that the waters should not pass his commandment: when He appointed the foundations of the earth: Then I was by Him, as one brought up with Him: and I was daily His delight, rejoicing always before Him; Rejoicing in the habitable part of his earth; and my delights were with the sons of men. Now therefore

hearken unto me, O you children: for blessed are they that keep my ways. Hear instruction, and be wise, and refuse it not. Blessed is the man that hears me, watching daily at my gates, waiting at the posts of my doors. For whoso finds me finds life, and shall obtain favour of the Lord. But he that sins against me wrongs his own soul: all they that hate me love death.”

Proverbs 9:1-6 – “Wisdom has builded her house, she has hewn out her seven pillars: She has killed her beasts; she has mingled her wine; she has also furnished her table. She has sent forth her maidens: she cries upon the highest places of the city, Whoso is simple, let him turn in hither: as for him that wants understanding, she saith to him, ‘Come, eat of my bread, and drink of the wine which I have mingled. Forsake the foolish, and live; and go in the way of understanding.’”

Proverbs 9:7-9 – “He that reproves a scorner gets to himself shame: and he that rebukes a wicked man gets himself a blot. Reprove not a scorner, lest he hate you: rebuke a wise man, and he will love thee. Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be yet wiser: teach a just man, and he will increase in learning.”

Proverbs 9:10-12 – “The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the holy is understanding. For by Me Your days shall be multiplied, and the years of your life shall be increased. If you be wise, you shall be wise for yourself: but if you scorn, you alone shall bear it.”

Proverbs 9:13-18 – “A foolish woman is clamorous: she is simple, and knows nothing. For she sits at the door of her house, on a seat in the high places of the city, To call passengers who go right on their ways: ‘Whoso is simple, let him turn in hither: and as for him that wants understanding,’ she saith to him, Stolen waters are sweet, and bread eaten in secret is pleasant. But he knows not that the dead are there; and that her guests are in the depths of hell.”

Proverbs 10:1 – “The proverbs of Solomon. A wise son makes a glad father: but a foolish son is the heaviness of his mother.”

Proverbs 10:2-3 – “Treasures of wickedness profit nothing: but righteousness delivers from death. The Lord will not suffer the soul of the righteous to famish: but he casts away the substance of the wicked.”

Proverbs 10:4 – “He becomes poor that deals with a slack hand: but the hand of the diligent makes rich.”

Proverbs 10:5 – “He that gathers in summer is a wise son: but he that sleeps in harvest is a son that causes shame.”

Proverbs 10:6 – “Blessings are upon the head of the just: but violence covers the mouth of the wicked.”

Proverbs 10:7 – “The memory of the just is blessed: but the name of the wicked shall rot.”

Proverbs 10:8 – “The wise in heart will receive commandments: but a prating fool shall fall.”

Proverbs 10:9 – “He that walks uprightly walks surely: but he that perverts his ways shall be known.”

Proverbs 10:10 – “He that winks with the eye causes sorrow: but a prating fool shall fall.”

Proverbs 10:11 – “The mouth of a righteous man is a well of life: but violence covers the mouth of the wicked.”

Proverbs 10:12 – “Hatred stirs up strifes: but love covers all sins.”

Proverbs 10:13 – “In the lips of him that has understanding wisdom is found: but a rod is for the back of him that is void of understanding.”

Proverbs 10:14 – “Wise men lay up knowledge: but the mouth of the foolish is near destruction.”

Proverbs 10:15 – “The rich man's wealth is his strong city: the destruction of the poor is their poverty.”

Proverbs 10:16 – “The labour of the righteous tends to life: the fruit of the wicked to sin.”

Proverbs 10:17 – “He is in the way of life that keeps instruction: but he that refuses reproof errs.”

Proverbs 10:18 – “He that hides hatred with lying lips, and he that utters a slander, is a fool.”

Proverbs 10:19 – “In the multitude of words there wants not sin: but he that refrains his lips is wise.”

Proverbs 10:20 – “The tongue of the just is as choice silver: the heart of the wicked is little worth.”

Proverbs 10:21 – “The lips of the righteous feed many: but fools die for want of wisdom.”

Proverbs 10:22 – “The blessing of the Lord, it makes rich, and he adds no sorrow with it.”

Proverbs 10:23– “It is as sport to a fool to do mischief: but a man of understanding has wisdom.”

Proverbs 10:24 – “The fear of the wicked, it shall come upon him: but the desire of the righteous shall be granted.”

Proverbs 10:25 – “As the whirlwind passes, so is the wicked no more: but the righteous is an everlasting foundation.”

Proverbs 10:26 – “As vinegar to the teeth, and as smoke to the eyes, so is the sluggard {lazy} to them that send him.”

Proverbs 10:27 – “The fear of the Lord prolongs days: but the years of the wicked shall be shortened.”

Proverbs 10:28 – “The hope of the righteous shall be gladness: but the expectation of the wicked shall perish.”

Proverbs 10:29 – “The way of the Lord is strength to the upright: but destruction shall be to the workers of iniquity.”

Proverbs 10:30 – “The righteous shall never be removed: but the wicked shall not inhabit the earth.”

Proverbs 10:31 – “The mouth of the just brings forth wisdom: but the froward {contrary} tongue shall be cut out.”

Proverbs 10:32 – “The lips of the righteous know what is acceptable: but the mouth of the wicked speaks frowardness {contrariness}.”

Proverbs 11:1 – “A false balance is abomination to the Lord: but a just weight is His delight.”

Proverbs 11:2 – “When pride comes, then comes shame: but with the lowly is wisdom.”

Proverbs 11:3 – “The integrity of the upright shall guide them: but the perverseness of transgressors shall destroy them.”

Proverbs 11:4 – “Riches profit not in the day of wrath: but righteousness delivers from death.”

Proverbs 11:5 – “The righteousness of the perfect shall direct his way: but the wicked shall fall by his own wickedness.”

Proverbs 11:6 – “The righteousness of the upright shall deliver them: but transgressors shall be taken in their own naughtiness.”

Proverbs 11:7 – “When a wicked man dies, his expectation shall perish: and the hope of unjust men perishes.”

Proverbs 11:8 – “The righteous is delivered out of trouble, and the wicked comes in his stead.”

Proverbs 11:9 – “An hypocrite with his mouth destroys his neighbour: but through knowledge shall the just be delivered.”

Proverbs 11:10 – “When it goes well with the righteous, the city rejoices: and when the wicked perish, there is shouting.”

Proverbs 11:11 – “By the blessing of the upright the city is exalted: but it is overthrown by the mouth of the wicked.”

Proverbs 11:12 – “He that is void of wisdom despises his neighbour: but a man of understanding holds his peace.”

Proverbs 11:13 – “A talebearer reveals secrets: but he that is of a faithful spirit conceals the matter.”

Proverbs 11:14 – “Where no counsel is, the people fall: but in the multitude of counsellors there is safety.”

Proverbs 11:15 – “He that is surety for a stranger shall smart for it: and he that hates suretiship is sure.”

Proverbs 11:16 – “A gracious woman retains honour: and strong men retain riches.”

Proverbs 11:17 – “The merciful man does good to his own soul: but he that is cruel troubles his own flesh.”

Proverbs 11:18 – “The wicked works a deceitful work: but to him that sows righteousness shall be a sure reward.”

Proverbs 11:19 – “As righteousness tends to life: so he that pursues evil pursues it to his own death.”

Proverbs 11:20 – “They that are of a froward {contrary} heart are abomination to the Lord: but such as are upright in their way are His delight.”

Proverbs 11:21 – “Though hand join in hand, the wicked shall not be unpunished: but the seed of the righteous shall be delivered.”

Proverbs 11:22 – “As a jewel of gold in a swine's snout, so is a fair woman which is without discretion.”

Proverbs 11:23 – “The desire of the righteous is only good: but the expectation of the wicked is wrath.”

Proverbs 11:24 – “There is that scatters, and yet increases; and there is that withholds more than is meet, but it tends to poverty.”

Proverbs 11:25 – “The liberal soul shall be made fat: and he that waters shall be watered also himself.”

Proverbs 11:26 – “He that withholds corn, the people shall curse him: but blessing shall be upon the head of him that sells it.”

Proverbs 11:27 – “He that diligently seeks good procures favour: but he that seeks mischief, it shall come unto him.”

Proverbs 11:28 – “He that trusts in his riches shall fall; but the righteous shall flourish as a branch.”

Proverbs 11:29 – “He that troubles his own house shall inherit the wind: and the fool shall be servant to the wise of heart.”

Proverbs 11:30 – “The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life; and he that wins souls is wise.”

Proverbs 11:31 – “Behold, the righteous shall be recompensed in the earth: much more the wicked and the sinner.”

Proverbs 12:1 – “Whoso loves instruction loves knowledge: but he that hates reproof is brutish.”

Proverbs 12:2 – “A good man obtains favour of the Lord: but a man of wicked devices will he condemn.”

Proverbs 12:3 – “A man shall not be established by wickedness: but the root of the righteous shall not be moved.”

Proverbs 12:4 – “A virtuous woman is a crown to her husband: but she that makes ashamed is as rottenness in his bones.”

Proverbs 12:5 – “The thoughts of the righteous are right: but the counsels of the wicked are deceit.”

Proverbs 12:6 – “The words of the wicked are to lie in wait for blood: but the mouth of the upright shall deliver them.”

Proverbs 12:7 – “The wicked are overthrown, and are not: but the house of the righteous shall stand.”

Proverbs 12:8 – “A man shall be commended according to his wisdom: but he that is of a perverse heart shall be despised.”

Proverbs 12:9 – “He that is despised, and has a servant, is better than he that honours himself, and lacks bread.”

Proverbs 12:10 – “A righteous man regards the life of his beast: but the tender mercies of the wicked are cruel.”

Proverbs 12:11 – “He that tills his land shall be satisfied with bread: but he that follows vain persons is void of understanding.”

Proverbs 12:12 – “The wicked desires the net of evil men: but the root of the righteous yields fruit.”

Proverbs 12:13 – “The wicked is snared by the transgression of his lips: but the just shall come out of trouble.”

Proverbs 12:14 – “A man shall be satisfied with good by the fruit of his mouth: and the recompence of a man's hands shall be rendered unto him.”

Proverbs 12:15 – “The way of a fool is right in his own eyes: but he that hearkens unto counsel is wise.”

Proverbs 12:16 – “A fool's wrath is presently known: but a prudent man covers shame.”

Proverbs 12:17 – “He that speaks truth show forth righteousness: but a false witness deceit.”

Proverbs 12:18 – “There is that speaks like the piercings of a sword: but the tongue of the wise is health.”

Proverbs 12:19 – “The lip of truth shall be established for ever: but a lying tongue is but for a moment.”

Proverbs 12:20 – “Deceit is in the heart of them that imagine evil: but to the counsellors of peace is joy.”

Proverbs 12:21 – “There shall no evil happen to the just: but the wicked shall be filled with mischief.”

Proverbs 12:22 – “Lying lips are abomination to the Lord: but they that deal truly are His delight.”

Proverbs 12:23 – “A prudent man conceals knowledge: but the heart of fools proclaim foolishness.”

Proverbs 12:24 – “The hand of the diligent shall bear rule: but the slothful {lazy} shall be under tribute.”

Proverbs 12:25 – “Heaviness in the heart of man makes it stoop: but a good word makes it glad.”

Proverbs 12:26 – “The righteous is more excellent than his neighbour: but the way of the wicked seduces them.”

Proverbs 12:27 – “The slothful {lazy} man roasts not that which he took in hunting: but the substance of a diligent man is precious.”

Proverbs 12:28 – “In the way of righteousness is life: and in the pathway thereof there is no death.”

Proverbs 13:1 – “A wise son hears his father's instruction: but a scorner hears not rebuke.”

Proverbs 13:2 – “A man shall eat good by the fruit of his mouth: but the soul of the transgressors shall eat violence.”

Proverbs 13:3 – “He that keeps his mouth keeps his life: but he that opens wide his lips shall have destruction.”

Proverbs 13:4 – “The soul of the sluggard {lazy} desires, and has nothing: but the soul of the diligent shall be made fat.”

Proverbs 13:5 – “A righteous man hates lying: but a wicked man is loathsome, and comes to shame.”

Proverbs 13:6 – “Righteousness keeps him that is upright in the way: but wickedness overthrows the sinner.”

Proverbs 13:7 – “There is that makes himself rich, yet has nothing: there is that makes himself poor, yet has great riches.”

Proverbs 13:8 – “The ransom of a man's life are his riches: but the poor hears not rebuke.”

Proverbs 13:9 – “The light of the righteous rejoices: but the lamp of the wicked shall be put out.”

Proverbs 13:10 – “Only by pride comes contention: but with the well advised is wisdom.”

Proverbs 13:11 – “Wealth gotten by vanity shall be diminished: but he that gathers by labour shall increase.”

Proverbs 13:12 – “Hope deferred makes the heart sick: but when the desire comes, it is a tree of life.”

Proverbs 13:13 – “Whoso despises the word shall be destroyed: but he that fears the commandment shall be rewarded.”

Proverbs 13:14 – “The law of the wise is a fountain of life, to depart from the snares of death.”

Proverbs 13:15 – “Good understanding gives favour: but the way of transgressors is hard.”

Proverbs 13:16 – “Every prudent man deals with knowledge: but a fool lays open his folly.”

Proverbs 13:17 – “A wicked messenger falls into mischief: but a faithful ambassador is health.”

Proverbs 13:18 – “Poverty and shame shall be to him that refuses instruction: but he that regards reproof shall be honoured.”

Proverbs 13:19 – “The desire accomplished is sweet to the soul: but it is abomination to fools to depart from evil.”

Proverbs 13:20 – “He that walks with wise men shall be wise: but a companion of fools shall be destroyed.”

Proverbs 13:21 – “Evil pursues sinners: but to the righteous good shall be repayed.”

Proverbs 13:22 – “A good man leaves an inheritance to his children's children: and the wealth of the sinner is laid up for the just.”

Proverbs 13:23 – “Much food is in the tillage of the poor: but there is that is destroyed for want of judgment.”

Proverbs 13:24 – “He that spares his rod hates his son: but he that loves him chastens him betimes.”

Proverbs 13:25 – “The righteous eats to the satisfying of his soul: but the belly of the wicked shall want.”

Proverbs 14:1 – “Every wise woman builds her house: but the foolish plucks it down with her hands.”

Proverbs 14:2 – “He that walks in his uprightness fears the Lord: but he that is perverse in his ways despises Him.”

Proverbs 14:3 – “In the mouth of the foolish is a rod of pride: but the lips of the wise shall preserve them.”

Proverbs 14:4 – “Where no oxen are, the crib is clean: but much increase is by the strength of the ox.”

Proverbs 14:5 – “A faithful witness will not lie: but a false witness will utter lies.”

Proverbs 14:6 – “A scorner seeks wisdom, and finds it not: but knowledge is easy unto him that understands.”

Proverbs 14:7 – “Go from the presence of a foolish man, when you perceive not in him the lips of knowledge.”

Proverbs 14:8 – “The wisdom of the prudent is to understand his way: but the folly of fools is deceit.”

Proverbs 14:9 – “Fools make a mock at sin: but among the righteous there is favour.”

Proverbs 14:10 – “The heart knows his own bitterness; and a stranger does not intermeddle with his joy.”

Proverbs 14:11 – “The house of the wicked shall be overthrown: but the tabernacle of the upright shall flourish.”

Proverbs 14:12 – “There is a way which seems right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death.”

Proverbs 14:13 – “Even in laughter the heart is sorrowful; and the end of that mirth is heaviness.”

Proverbs 14:14 – “The backslider in heart shall be filled with his own ways: and a good man shall be satisfied from himself.”

Proverbs 14:15 – “The simple believes every word: but the prudent man looks well to his going.”

Proverbs 14:16 – “A wise man fears, and departs from evil: but the fool rages, and is confident.”

Proverbs 14:17 – “He that is soon angry deals foolishly: and a man of wicked devices is hated.”

Proverbs 14:18 – “The simple inherit folly: but the prudent are crowned with knowledge.”

Proverbs 14:19 – “The evil bow before the good; and the wicked at the gates of the righteous.”

Proverbs 14:20 – “The poor is hated even of his own neighbour: but the rich has many friends.”

Proverbs 14:21 – “He that despises his neighbour sins: but he that has mercy on the poor, happy is he.”

Proverbs 14:22 – “Do they not err that devise evil? but mercy and truth shall be to them that devise good.”

Proverbs 14:23 – “In all labour there is profit: but the talk of the lips tends only to penury {very, very poor}.”

Proverbs 14:24 – “The crown of the wise is their riches: but the foolishness of fools is folly.”

Proverbs 14:25 – “A true witness delivers souls: but a deceitful witness speaks lies.”

Proverbs 14:26 – “In the fear of the Lord is strong confidence: and his children shall have a place of refuge.”

Proverbs 14:27 – “The fear of the Lord is a fountain of life, to depart from the snares of death.”

Proverbs 14:28 – “In the multitude of people is the king's honour: but in the want of people is the destruction of the prince.”

Proverbs 14:29 – “He that is slow to wrath is of great understanding: but he that is hasty of spirit exalts folly.

Proverbs 14:30 – “A sound heart is the life of the flesh: but envy the rottenness of the bones.”

Proverbs 14:31 – “He that oppresses the poor reproaches his Maker: but he that honours Him has mercy on the poor.”

Proverbs 14:32 – “The wicked is driven away in his wickedness: but the righteous has hope in his death.”

Proverbs 14:33 – “Wisdom rests in the heart of him that has understanding: but that which is in the midst of fools is made known.”

Proverbs 14:34 – “Righteousness exalts a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people.”

Proverbs 14:35 – “The king's favour is toward a wise servant: but his wrath is against him that causes shame.”

Proverbs 15:1 – “A soft answer turns away wrath: but grievous words stir up anger.”

Proverbs 15:2 – “The tongue of the wise uses knowledge aright: but the mouth of fools pours out foolishness.”

Proverbs 15:3 – “The eyes of the Lord are in every place, beholding the evil and the good.”

Proverbs 15:4 – “A wholesome tongue is a tree of life: but perverseness therein is a breach in the spirit.”

Proverbs 15:5 – “A fool despises his father's instruction: but he that regards reproof is prudent.”

Proverbs 15:6 – “In the house of the righteous is much treasure: but in the revenues of the wicked is trouble.”

Proverbs 15:7 – “The lips of the wise disperse knowledge: but the heart of the foolish does not so.”

Proverbs 15:8 – “The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination to the Lord: but the prayer of the upright is His delight.”

Proverbs 15:9 – “The way of the wicked is an abomination unto the Lord: but He loves him that follows after righteousness.”

Proverbs 15:10 – “Correction is grievous unto him that forsakes the way: and he that hates reproof shall die.”

Proverbs 15:11 – “Hell and destruction are before the Lord: how much more then the hearts of the children of men?”

Proverbs 15:12 – “A scorner loves not one that reproves him: neither will he go unto the wise.”

Proverbs 15:13 – “A merry heart makes a cheerful countenance: but by sorrow of the heart the spirit is broken.”

Proverbs 15:14 – “The heart of him that has understanding seeks knowledge: but the mouth of fools feeds on foolishness.”

Proverbs 15:15 – “All the days of the afflicted are evil: but he that is of a merry heart has a continual feast.”

Proverbs 15:16 – “Better is little with the fear of the Lord than great treasure and trouble therewith.”

Proverbs 15:17 – “Better is a dinner of herbs where love is, than a stalled ox and hatred therewith.”

Proverbs 15:18 – “A wrathful man stirs up strife: but he that is slow to anger appeases strife.”

Proverbs 15:19 – “The way of the slothful {lazy} man is as an hedge of thorns: but the way of the righteous is made plain.”

Proverbs 15:20 – “A wise son makes a glad father: but a foolish man despises his mother.”

Proverbs 15:21 – “Folly is joy to him that is destitute of wisdom: but a man of understanding walks uprightly.”

Proverbs 15:22 – “Without counsel purposes are disappointed: but in the multitude of counsellors they are established.”

Proverbs 15:23 – “A man has joy by the answer of his mouth: and a word spoken in due season, how good is it!”

Proverbs 15:24 – “The way of life is above to the wise, that he may depart from hell beneath.”

Proverbs 15:25 – “The Lord will destroy the house of the proud: but he will establish the border of the widow.”

Proverbs 15:26 – “The thoughts of the wicked are an abomination to the Lord: but the words of the pure are pleasant words.”

Proverbs 15:27 – “He that is greedy of gain troubles his own house; but he that hates gifts shall live.”

Proverbs 15:28 – “The heart of the righteous studies to answer: but the mouth of the wicked pours out evil things.”

Proverbs 15:29 – “The Lord is far from the wicked: but he hears the prayer of the righteous.”

Proverbs 15:30 – “The light of the eyes rejoices the heart: and a good report makes the bones fat.”

Proverbs 15:31 – “The ear that hears the reproof of life abides among the wise.”

Proverbs 15:32 – “He that refuses instruction despises his own soul: but he that hears reproof gets understanding.”

Proverbs 15:33 – “The fear of the Lord is the instruction of wisdom; and before honour is humility.”

Proverbs 16:1 – “The preparations of the heart in man, and the answer of the tongue, is from the Lord.”

Proverbs 16:2 – “All the ways of a man are clean in his own eyes; but the Lord weighs the spirits.”

Proverbs 16:3 – “Commit your works unto the Lord, and your thoughts shall be established.”

Proverbs 16:4 – “The Lord has made all things for Himself: yes, even the wicked for the day of evil.”

Proverbs 16:5 – “Every one that is proud in heart is an abomination to the Lord: though hand join in hand, he shall not be unpunished.”

Proverbs 16:6 – “By mercy and truth iniquity is purged: and by the fear of the Lord men depart from evil.”

Proverbs 16:7 – “When a man's ways please the Lord, he makes even his enemies to be at peace with him.”

Proverbs 16:8 – “Better is a little with righteousness than great revenues without right.

Proverbs 16:9 – “A man's heart devises his way: but the Lord directs his steps.”

Proverbs 16:10 – “A divine sentence is in the lips of the king: his mouth transgresses not in judgment.”

Proverbs 16:11 – “A just weight and balance are the Lord's: all the weights of the bag are His work.”

Proverbs 16:12 – “It is an abomination to kings to commit wickedness: for the throne is established by righteousness.”

Proverbs 16:13 – “Righteous lips are the delight of kings; and they love him that speaks right.”

Proverbs 16:14 – “The wrath of a king is as messengers of death: but a wise man will pacify it.”

Proverbs 16:15 – “In the light of the king's countenance is life; and his favour is as a cloud of the latter rain.”

Proverbs 16:16 – “How much better is it to get wisdom than gold! and to get understanding rather to be chosen than silver!”

Proverbs 16:17 – “The highway of the upright is to depart from evil: he that keeps his way preserves his soul.”

Proverbs 16:18 – “Pride goes before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall.”

Proverbs 16:19 – “Better it is to be of an humble spirit with the lowly, than to divide the spoil with the proud.”

Proverbs 16:20 – “He that handles a matter wisely shall find good: and whoso trusts in the Lord, happy is he.”

Proverbs 16:21 – “The wise in heart shall be called prudent: and the sweetness of the lips increases learning.”

Proverbs 16:22 – “Understanding is a wellspring of life unto him that has it: but the instruction of fools is folly.”

Proverbs 16:23 – “The heart of the wise teaches his mouth, and adds learning to his lips.”

Proverbs 16:24 – “Pleasant words are as an honeycomb, sweet to the soul, and health to the bones.”

Proverbs 16:25 – “There is a way that seems right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death.”

Proverbs 16:26 – “He that labours labours for himself; for his mouth craves it of him.”

Proverbs 16:27 – “An ungodly man digs up evil: and in his lips there is as a burning fire.”

Proverbs 16:28 – “A froward {contrary} man sows strife: and a whisperer separates chief friends.”

Proverbs 16:29-30 – “A violent man entices his neighbour, and leads him into the way that is not good. He shuts his eyes to devise froward {contrary} things: moving his lips he bringeth evil to pass.”

Proverbs 16:31 – “The hoary head is a crown of glory, if it be found in the way of righteousness.”

Proverbs 16:32 – “He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; and he that rules his spirit than he that takes a city.”

Proverbs 16:33 – “The lot is cast into the lap; but the whole disposing thereof is of the Lord.”

Proverbs 17:1 – “Better is a dry morsel, and quietness therewith, than an house full of sacrifices with strife.”

Proverbs 17:2 – “A wise servant shall have rule over a son that causes shame, and shall have part of the inheritance among the brethren.”

Proverbs 17:3 – “The fining pot is for silver, and the furnace for gold: but the Lord tries the hearts.”

Proverbs 17:4 – “A wicked doer gives heed to false lips; and a liar gives ear to a naughty tongue.”

Proverbs 17:5 – “Whoso mocks the poor reproaches his Maker: and he that is glad at calamities shall not be unpunished.”

Proverbs 17:6 – “Children's children are the crown of old men; and the glory of children are their fathers.”

Proverbs 17:7 – “Excellent speech becomes not a fool: much less do lying lips a prince.”

Proverbs 17:8 – “A gift is as a precious stone in the eyes of him that has it: whithersoever it turns, it prospers.”

Proverbs 17:9 – “He that covers a transgression seeks love; but he that repeats a matter separates very friends.”

Proverbs 17:10 – “A reproof enters more into a wise man than an hundred stripes into a fool.”

Proverbs 17:11 – “An evil man seeks only rebellion: therefore a cruel messenger shall be sent against him.”

Proverbs 17:12 – “Let a bear robbed of her whelps meet a man, rather than a fool in his folly.”

Proverbs 17:13 – “Whoso rewards evil for good, evil shall not depart from his house.”

Proverbs 17:14 – “The beginning of strife is as when one lets out water: therefore leave off contention, before it be meddled with.”

Proverbs 17:15 – “He that justifies the wicked, and he that condemns the just, even they both are abomination to the Lord.”

Proverbs 17:16 – “Wherefore is there a price in the hand of a fool to get wisdom, seeing he has no heart to it?”

Proverbs 17:17 – “A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for adversity.”

Proverbs 17:18 – “A man void of understanding strikes hands, and becometh surety in the presence of his friend.”

Proverbs 17:19 – “He loves transgression that loves strife: and he that exalts his gate seeks destruction.”

Proverbs 17:20 – “He that has a froward {contrary} heart finds no good: and he that has a perverse tongue falls into mischief.”

Proverbs 17:21 – “He that begets a fool does it to his sorrow: and the father of a fool has no joy.”

Proverbs 17:22 – “A merry heart does good like a medicine: but a broken spirit dries the bones.”

Proverbs 17:23 – “A wicked man takes a gift out of the bosom to pervert the ways of judgment.”

Proverbs 17:24 – “Wisdom is before him that has understanding; but the eyes of a fool are in the ends of the earth.”

Proverbs 17:25 – “A foolish son is a grief to his father, and bitterness to her that bare him.”

Proverbs 17:26 – “Also to punish the just is not good, nor to strike princes for equity.

Proverbs 17:27 – “He that has knowledge spares his words: and a man of understanding is of an excellent spirit.”

Proverbs 17:28 – “Even a fool, when he holds his peace, is counted wise: and he that shuts his lips is esteemed a man of understanding.”

Proverbs 18:1 – “Through desire a man, having separated himself, seeks and intermeddles with all wisdom.”

Proverbs 18:2 – “A fool has no delight in understanding, but that his heart may discover itself.”

Proverbs 18:3 – “When the wicked comes, then comes also contempt, and with ignominy {disgraced} reproach.”

Proverbs 18:4 – “The words of a man's mouth are as deep waters, and the wellspring of wisdom as a flowing brook.”

Proverbs 18:5 – “It is not good to accept the person of the wicked, to overthrow the righteous in judgment.”

Proverbs 18:6 – “A fool's lips enter into contention, and his mouth calls for strokes.”

Proverbs 18:7 – “A fool's mouth is his destruction, and his lips are the snare of his soul.”

Proverbs 18:8-9 – “The words of a talebearer are as wounds, and they go down into the innermost parts of the belly. He also that is slothful {lazy} in his work is brother to him that is a great waster.”

Proverbs 18:10 – “The name of the Lord is a strong tower: the righteous runs into it, and is safe.”

Proverbs 18:11 – “The rich man's wealth is his strong city, and as an high wall in his own conceit.”

Proverbs 18:12 – “Before destruction the heart of man is haughty, and before honour is humility.”

Proverbs 18:13 – “He that answers a matter before he hears it, it is folly and shame unto him.”

Proverbs 18:14 – “The spirit of a man will sustain his infirmity; but a wounded spirit who can bear?”

Proverbs 18:15 – “The heart of the prudent gets knowledge; and the ear of the wise seeks knowledge.”

Proverbs 18:16 – “A man's gift makes room for him, and brings him before great men.”

Proverbs 18:17 – “He that is first in his own cause seems just; but his neighbour comes and searches him.”

Proverbs 18:18 – “The lot causes contentions to cease, and parts between the mighty.”

Proverbs 18:19 – “A brother offended is harder to be won than a strong city: and their contentions are like the bars of a castle.”

Proverbs 18:20 – “A man's belly shall be satisfied with the fruit of his mouth; and with the increase of his lips shall he be filled.”

Proverbs 18:21 – “Death and life are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof.”

Proverbs 18:22 – “Whoso finds a wife finds a good thing, and obtains favour of the Lord.”

Proverbs 18:23 – “The poor uses intreaties; but the rich answers roughly.”

Proverbs 18:24 – “A man that has friends must shew himself friendly: and there is a friend that sticks closer than a brother.”

Proverbs 19:1-2 – “Better is the poor that walks in his integrity, than he that is perverse in his lips, and is a fool. Also, that the soul be without knowledge, it is not good; and he that hastens with his feet sins.”

Proverbs 19:3 – “The foolishness of man perverts his way: and his heart frets against the Lord.”

Proverbs 19:4 – “Wealth makes many friends; but the poor is separated from his neighbour.”

Proverbs 19:5 – “A false witness shall not be unpunished, and he that speaks lies shall not escape.”

Proverbs 19:6 – “Many will intreat the favour of the prince: and every man is a friend to him that gives gifts.”

Proverbs 19:7 – “All the brethren of the poor do hate him: how much more do his friends go far from him? he pursues them with words, yet they are wanting to him.”

Proverbs 19:8 – “He that get wisdom loves his own soul: he that keeps understanding shall find good.”

Proverbs 19:9 – “A false witness shall not be unpunished, and he that speaks lies shall perish.”

Proverbs 19:10 – “Delight is not seemly for a fool; much less for a servant to have rule over princes.”

Proverbs 19:11 – “The discretion of a man defers his anger; and it is his glory to pass over a transgression.”

Proverbs 19:12 – “The king's wrath is as the roaring of a lion; but his favour is as dew upon the grass.”

Proverbs 19:13 – “A foolish son is the calamity of his father: and the contentions of a wife are a continual dropping.”

Proverbs 19:14 – “House and riches are the inheritance of fathers: and a prudent wife is from the Lord.”

Proverbs 19:15 – “Slothfulness {lazy} casts into a deep sleep; and an idle soul shall suffer hunger.”

Proverbs 19:16 – “He that keeps the commandment keeps his own soul; but he that despises his ways shall die.”

Proverbs 19:17 – “He that has pity upon the poor lends unto the Lord; and that which he has given will he pay him again.”

Proverbs 19:18 – “Chasten your son while there is hope, and let not your soul spare for his crying.”

Proverbs 19:19 – “A man of great wrath shall suffer punishment: for if you deliver him, yet you must do it again.”

Proverbs 19:20 – “Hear counsel, and receive instruction, that you may be wise in your latter end.”

Proverbs 19:21 – “There are many devices in a man's heart; nevertheless the counsel of the Lord, that shall stand.”

Proverbs 19:22 – “The desire of a man is his kindness: and a poor man is better than a liar.”

Proverbs 19:23 – “The fear of the Lord tends to life: and he that has it shall abide satisfied; he shall not be visited with evil.”

Proverbs 19:24 – “A slothful {lazy} man hides his hand in his bosom, and will not so much as bring it to his mouth again.”

Proverbs 19:25 – “Smite a scorner, and the simple will beware: and reprove one that has understanding, and he will understand knowledge.”

Proverbs 19:26 – “He that wastes his father, and chases away his mother, is a son that causes shame, and bringeth reproach.”

Proverbs 19:27 – “Cease, my son, to hear the instruction that causes to err from the words of knowledge.”

Proverbs 19:28 – “An ungodly witness scorns judgment: and the mouth of the wicked devours iniquity.”

Proverbs 19:29 – “Judgments are prepared for scorners, and stripes for the back of fools.”

Proverbs 20:1 – “Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise.”

Proverbs 20:2 – “The fear of a king is as the roaring of a lion: whoso provokes him to anger sins against his own soul.”

Proverbs 20:3 – “It is an honour for a man to cease from strife: but every fool will be meddling.”

Proverbs 20:4 – “The sluggard {lazy} will not plow by reason of the cold; therefore shall he beg in harvest, and have nothing.”

Proverbs 20:5 – “Counsel in the heart of man is like deep water; but a man of understanding will draw it out.”

Proverbs 20:6 – “Most men will proclaim every one his own goodness: but a faithful man who can find?”

Proverbs 20:7 – “The just man walks in his integrity: his children are blessed after him.”

Proverbs 20:8 – “A king that sits in the throne of judgment scatters away all evil with his eyes.”

Proverbs 20:9 – “Who can say, I have made my heart clean, I am pure from my sin?”

{This is why we need Jesus Christ Who died for our sins so that we can dwell in eternity with a holy God!}

Proverbs 20:10 – “Divers weights, and divers measures, both of them are alike abomination to the Lord.”

Proverbs 20:11 – “Even a child is known by his doings, whether his work be pure, and whether it be right.”

Proverbs 20:12 – “The hearing ear, and the seeing eye, the Lord has made even both of them.”

Proverbs 20:13 – “Love not sleep, lest you come to poverty; open your eyes, and you shalt be satisfied with bread.”

Proverbs 20:14 – “‘It is naught, it is naught,’ says the buyer: but when he is gone his way, then he boasts.”

Proverbs 20:15 – “There is gold, and a multitude of rubies: but the lips of knowledge are a precious jewel.”

Proverbs 20:16 – “Take his garment that is surety for a stranger: and take a pledge of him for a strange woman.”

Proverbs 20:17 – “Bread of deceit is sweet to a man; but afterwards his mouth shall be filled with gravel.”

Proverbs 20:18 – “Every purpose is established by counsel: and with good advice make war.”

Proverbs 20:19 – “He that goes about as a talebearer reveals secrets: therefore meddle not with him that flatters with his lips.”

Proverbs 20:20 – “Whoso curses his father or his mother, his lamp shall be put out in obscure darkness.”

Proverbs 20:21 – “An inheritance may be gotten hastily at the beginning; but the end thereof shall not be blessed.”

Proverbs 20:22 – “You say not, ‘I will recompense evil;’ but wait on the Lord, and he shall save you.”

Proverbs 20:23 – “Divers weights are an abomination unto the Lord; and a false balance is not good.”

Proverbs 20:24 – “Man's goings are of the Lord; how can a man then understand his own way?”

Proverbs 20:25 – “It is a snare to the man who devours that which is holy, and after vows to make enquiry.”

Proverbs 20:26 – “A wise king scatters the wicked, and brings the wheel over them.”

Proverbs 20:27 – “The spirit of man is the candle of the Lord, searching all the inward parts of the belly.”

Proverbs 20:28 – “Mercy and truth preserve the king: and his throne is upholden by mercy.”

Proverbs 20:29 – “The glory of young men is their strength: and the beauty of old men is the grey head.”

Proverbs 20:30 – “The blueness of a wound cleanses away evil: so do stripes the inward parts of the belly.”

Proverbs 21:1 – “The king's heart is in the hand of the Lord, as the rivers of water: he turns it whithersoever He will.”

Proverbs 21:2 – “Every way of a man is right in his own eyes: but the Lord ponders the hearts.”

Proverbs 21:3 – “To do justice and judgment is more acceptable to the Lord than sacrifice.”

Proverbs 21:4 – “An high look, and a proud heart, and the plowing of the wicked, is sin.”

Proverbs 21:5 – “The thoughts of the diligent tend only to plenteousness; but of every one that is hasty only to want.”

Proverbs 21:6 – “The getting of treasures by a lying tongue is a vanity tossed to and fro of them that seek death.”

Proverbs 21:7 – “The robbery of the wicked shall destroy them; because they refuse to do judgment.”

Proverbs 21:8 – “The way of man is froward {contrary} and strange: but as for the pure, his work is right.”

Proverbs 21:9 – “It is better to dwell in a corner of the housetop, than with a brawling woman in a wide house.”

Proverbs 21:10 – “The soul of the wicked desires evil: his neighbour finds no favour in his eyes.”

Proverbs 21:11 – “When the scorner is punished, the simple is made wise: and when the wise is instructed, he receives knowledge.”

Proverbs 21:12 – “The righteous man wisely considers the house of the wicked: but God overthrows the wicked for their wickedness.”

Proverbs 21:13 – “Whoso stops his ears at the cry of the poor, he also shall cry himself, but shall not be heard.”

Proverbs 21:14 – “A gift in secret pacifies anger: and a reward in the bosom strong wrath.”

Proverbs 21:15 – “It is joy to the just to do judgment: but destruction shall be to the workers of iniquity.”

Proverbs 21:16 – “The man that wanders out of the way of understanding shall remain in the congregation of the dead.”

Proverbs 21:17 – “He that loves pleasure shall be a poor man: he that loves wine and oil shall not be rich.”

Proverbs 21:18 – “The wicked shall be a ransom for the righteous, and the transgressor for the upright.”

Proverbs 21:19 – “It is better to dwell in the wilderness, than with a contentious and an angry woman.”

Proverbs 21:20 – “There is treasure to be desired and oil in the dwelling of the wise; but a foolish man spends it up.”

Proverbs 21:21 – “He that follows after righteousness and mercy finds life, righteousness, and honour.”

Proverbs 21:22 – “A wise man scales the city of the mighty, and casts down the strength of the confidence thereof.”

Proverbs 21:23 – “Whoso keeps his mouth and his tongue keeps his soul from troubles.”

Proverbs 21:24 – “Proud and haughty scorner is his name, who deals in proud wrath.”

Proverbs 21:25 – “The desire of the slothful {lazy} kills him; for his hands refuse to labour.”

Proverbs 21:26 – “He covets greedily all the day long: but the righteous gives and spares not.”

Proverbs 21:27 – “The sacrifice of the wicked is abomination: how much more, when he brings it with a wicked mind?”

Proverbs 21:28 – “A false witness shall perish: but the man that hears speaks constantly.”

Proverbs 21:29 – “A wicked man hardens his face: but as for the upright, he directs his way.”

Proverbs 21:30 – “There is no wisdom nor understanding nor counsel against the Lord.”

Proverbs 21:31 – “The horse is prepared against the day of battle: but safety is of the Lord.”

Proverbs 22:1 – “A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches, and loving favour rather than silver and gold.”

Proverbs 22:2 – “The rich and poor meet together: the Lord is the maker of them all.”

Proverbs 22:3 – “A prudent man foresees the evil, and hides himself: but the simple pass on, and are punished.”

Proverbs 22:4 – “By humility and the fear of the Lord are riches, and honour, and life.”

Proverbs 22:5 – “Thorns and snares are in the way of the froward {contrary}: he that does keep his soul shall be far from them.”

Proverbs 22:6 – “Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.”

Proverbs 22:7 – “The rich rules over the poor, and the borrower is servant to the lender.”

Proverbs 22:8 – “He that sows iniquity shall reap vanity: and the rod of his anger shall fail.”

Proverbs 22:9 – “He that has a bountiful eye shall be blessed; for he gives of his bread to the poor.”

Proverbs 22:10 – “Cast out the scorner, and contention shall go out; yes, strife and reproach shall cease.”

Proverbs 22:11 – “He that loves pureness of heart, for the grace of his lips the king shall be his friend.”

Proverbs 22:12 – “The eyes of the Lord preserve knowledge, and He overthrows the words of the transgressor.”

Proverbs 22:13 – “The slothful {lazy} man says, ‘There is a lion without, I shall be slain in the streets.’”

Proverbs 22:14 – “The mouth of strange women is a deep pit: he that is abhorred of the Lord shall fall therein.”

Proverbs 22:15 – “Foolishness is bound in the heart of a child; but the rod of correction shall drive it far from him.”

Proverbs 22:16 – “He that oppresses the poor to increase his riches, and he that gives to the rich, shall surely come to want.”

Proverbs 22:17-18 – “Bow down your ear, and hear the words of the wise, and apply your heart unto my knowledge. For it is a pleasant thing if you keep them within you; they shall withal be fitted in your lips.”

Proverbs 22:19-21 – “That your trust may be in the Lord, I have made known to you this day, even to you. Have not I written to you excellent things in counsels and knowledge, That I might make you know the certainty of the words of truth; that you might answer the words of truth to them that send unto you?”

Proverbs 22:22-23 – “Rob not the poor, because he is poor: neither oppress the afflicted in the gate: For the Lord will plead their cause, and spoil the soul of those that spoiled them.”

Proverbs 22:24-25 – “Make no friendship with an angry man; and with a furious man you shalt not go: Lest you learn his ways, and get a snare to thy soul.”

Proverbs 22:26-27 – “You be not one of them that strike hands, or of them that are sureties for debts. If you have nothing to pay, why should he take away your bed from under you?”

Proverbs 22:28 – “Remove not the ancient landmark, which your fathers have set.”

Proverbs 22:29 – “You see a man diligent in his business? he shall stand before kings; he shall not stand before mean men.”

Proverbs 23:1-3 – “When you sit to eat with a ruler, consider diligently what is before you: And put a knife to your throat, if you be a man given to appetite. Be not desirous of his dainties: for they are deceitful meat.”

Proverbs 23:4-5 – “Labour not to be rich: cease from your own wisdom. Will you set your eyes upon that which is not? for riches certainly make themselves wings; they fly away as an eagle toward heaven.”

Proverbs 23:6-8 – “You eat not the bread of him that has an evil eye, neither desire you his dainty meats: For as he thinks in his heart, so is he: ‘Eat and drink,’ said he to you; but his heart is not with you. The morsel which you have eaten shall you vomit up, and lose your sweet words.”

Proverbs 23:9 – “Speak not in the ears of a fool: for he will despise the wisdom of your words.”

Proverbs 23:10-11 – “Remove not the old landmark; and enter not into the fields of the fatherless: For their redeemer is mighty; he shall plead their cause with you.”

Proverbs 23:12 – “Apply your heart unto instruction, and your ears to the words of knowledge.”

Proverbs 23:13-14 – “Withhold not correction from the child: for if you beat him with the rod, he shall not die. You shall beat him with the rod, and shall deliver his soul from hell.”

Proverbs 23:15-28 – “My son, if your heart be wise, my heart shall rejoice, even mine. Yes, my reins shall rejoice, when your lips speak right things. Let not your heart envy sinners: but you be in the fear of the Lord all the day long. For surely there is an end; and your expectation shall not be cut off. You hear

my son, and be wise, and guide your heart in the way. Be not among winebibbers; among riotous eaters of flesh: For the drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty: and drowsiness shall clothe a man with rags. Harken unto your father that begat you, and despise not your mother when she is old. Buy the truth, and sell it not; also wisdom, and instruction, and understanding. The father of the righteous shall greatly rejoice: and he that beget a wise child shall have joy of him. Your father and your mother shall be glad, and she that bare you shall rejoice. My son, give me your heart, and let your eyes observe my ways. For a whore is a deep ditch; and a strange woman is a narrow pit. She also lies in wait as for a prey, and increases the transgressors among men.”

Proverbs 23:29-30 – “Who has woe? who has sorrow? who has contentions? who has babbling? who has wounds without cause? who has redness of eyes? They that tarry long at the wine; they that go to seek mixed wine.”

Proverbs 23:31-35 – “You look not upon the wine when it is red, when it gives his colour in the cup, when it moves itself aright. At the last it bites like a serpent, and stings like an adder. Your eyes shall behold strange women, and your heart shall utter perverse things. Yes, you shall be as he that lies down in the midst of the sea, or as he that lies upon the top of a mast. They have stricken me, shall you say, ‘and I was not sick; they have beaten me, and I felt it not: when shall I awake? I will seek it yet again.’”

Proverbs 24:1-2 – “You be not envious against evil men, neither desire to be with them. For their heart studies destruction, and their lips talk of mischief.”

Proverbs 24:3-4 – “Through wisdom is an house builded; and by understanding it is established: And by knowledge shall the chambers be filled with all precious and pleasant riches.”

Proverbs 24:5-6 – “A wise man is strong; yes, a man of knowledge increases strength. For by wise counsel you shall make your war: and in multitude of counsellors there is safety.”

Proverbs 24:7 – “Wisdom is too high for a fool: he opens not his mouth in the gate.”

Proverbs 24:8 – “He that devises to do evil shall be called a mischievous person.”

Proverbs 24:9 – “The thought of foolishness is sin: and the scorner is an abomination to men.”

Proverbs 24:10 – “If you faint in the day of adversity, your strength is small.

Proverbs 24:11-12 – “If you forbear to deliver them that are drawn unto death, and those that are ready to be slain; If you sayest, ‘Behold, we knew it not;’ does not He that ponders the heart consider it? and He that keeps your soul, does not He know it? and shall not He render to every man according to his works?”

Proverbs 24:13-14 – “My son, you eat honey, because it is good; and the honeycomb, which is sweet to your taste: So shall the knowledge of wisdom be unto your soul: when you have found it, then there shall be a reward, and your expectation shall not be cut off.”

Proverbs 24:15-16 – “Lay not wait, O wicked man, against the dwelling of the righteous; spoil not his resting place: For a just man falls seven times, and rises up again: but the wicked shall fall into mischief.”

Proverbs 24:17-18 – “Rejoice not when your enemy falls, and let not your heart be glad when he stumbles: Lest the Lord see it, and it displease him, and he turn away his wrath from him.”

Proverbs 24:19-20 – “Fret not yourself because of evil men, neither be you envious at the wicked: For there shall be no reward to the evil man; the candle of the wicked shall be put out.”

Proverbs 24:21-22 – “My son, you fear the Lord and the king: and meddle not with them that are given to change: For their calamity shall rise suddenly; and who knows the ruin of them both?”

Proverbs 24:23 – “These things also belong to the wise. It is not good to have respect of persons in judgment.”

Proverbs 24:24-25 – “He that says unto the wicked, ‘You are righteous;’ him shall the people curse, nations shall abhor him: But to them that rebuke him shall be delight, and a good blessing shall come upon them.”

Proverbs 24:26 – “Every man shall kiss his lips that gives a right answer.”

Proverbs 24:27 – “Prepare your work without, and make it fit for yourself in the field; and afterwards build thine house.”

Proverbs 24:28 – “Be not a witness against thy neighbour without cause; and deceive not with thy lips.”

Proverbs 24:29 – “Say not, ‘I will do so to him as he has done to me: I will render to the man according to his work.’”

Proverbs 24:30-34 – “I went by the field of the slothful {lazy}, and by the vineyard of the man void of understanding; And, lo, it was all grown over with thorns, and nettles had covered the face thereof, and the stone wall thereof was broken down. Then I saw, and considered it well: I looked upon it, and received instruction. Yet a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep: So shall your poverty come as one that travels; and your want as an armed man.”

Proverbs 25:1-2 – “These are also proverbs of Solomon, which the men of Hezekiah king of Judah copied out. It is the glory of God to conceal a thing: but the honour of kings is to search out a matter.”

Proverbs 25:3 – “The heaven for height, and the earth for depth, and the heart of kings is unsearchable.”

Proverbs 25:4-5 – “Take away the dross from the silver, and there shall come forth a vessel for the finer. Take away the wicked from before the king, and his throne shall be established in righteousness.”

Proverbs 25:6-7 – “Put not forth yourself in the presence of the king, and stand not in the place of great men: For better it is that it be said unto you, ‘Come up hither;’ than that you should be put lower in the presence of the prince whom your eyes have seen.”

Proverbs 25:8 – “Go not forth hastily to strive, lest you know not what to do in the end thereof, when your neighbour has put you to shame.”

Proverbs 25:9-10 – “Debate your cause with your neighbour himself; and discover not a secret to another: Lest he that hears it put you to shame, and your infamy turn not away.”

Proverbs 25:11 – “A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver.”

Proverbs 25:12 – “As an earring of gold, and an ornament of fine gold, so is a wise reprover upon an obedient ear.”

Proverbs 25:13 – “As the cold of snow in the time of harvest, so is a faithful messenger to them that send him: for he refreshes the soul of his masters.”

Proverbs 25:14 – “Whoso boasts himself of a false gift is like clouds and wind without rain.”

Proverbs 25:15 – “By long forbearing is a prince persuaded, and a soft tongue breaks the bone.”

Proverbs 25:16 – “Have you found honey? eat so much as is sufficient for you, lest you be filled therewith, and vomit it.”

Proverbs 25:17 – “Withdraw your foot from your neighbour's house; lest he be weary of you, and so hate you.”

Proverbs 25:18 – “A man that bears false witness against his neighbour is a maul, and a sword, and a sharp arrow.”

Proverbs 25:19 – “Confidence in an unfaithful man in time of trouble is like a broken tooth, and a foot out of joint.”

Proverbs 25:20 – “As he that takes away a garment in cold weather, and as vinegar upon nitre, so is he that sings songs to an heavy heart.”

Proverbs 25:21-22 – “If your enemy be hungry, give him bread to eat; and if he be thirsty, give him water to drink: For you shalt heap coals of fire upon his head, and the Lord shall reward you.”

Proverbs 25:23 – “The north wind drives away rain: so does an angry countenance a backbiting tongue.”

Proverbs 25:24 – “It is better to dwell in the corner of the housetop, than with a brawling woman and in a wide house.”

Proverbs 25:25 – “As cold waters to a thirsty soul, so is good news from a far country.”

Proverbs 25:26 – “A righteous man falling down before the wicked is as a troubled fountain, and a corrupt spring.”

Proverbs 25:27 – “It is not good to eat much honey: so for men to search their own glory is not glory.”

Proverbs 25:28 – “He that has no rule over his own spirit is like a city that is broken down, and without walls.”

Proverbs 26:1 – “As snow in summer, and as rain in harvest, so honour is not seemly for a fool.”

Proverbs 26:2 – “As the bird by wandering, as the swallow by flying, so the curse causeless shall not come.”

Proverbs 26:3 – “A whip for the horse, a bridle for the ass, and a rod for the fool's back.”

Proverbs 26:4-5 – “Answer not a fool according to his folly, lest you also be like unto him. Answer a fool according to his folly, lest he be wise in his own conceit.”

Proverbs 26:6 – “He that sends a message by the hand of a fool cuts off the feet, and drinks damage.”

Proverbs 26:7– “The legs of the lame are not equal: so is a parable in the mouth of fools.”

Proverbs 26:8 – “As he that binds a stone in a sling, so is he that gives honour to a fool.”

Proverbs 26:9 – “As a thorn goes up into the hand of a drunkard, so is a parable in the mouths of fools.”

Proverbs 26:10 – “The great God that formed all things both rewards the fool, and rewards transgressors.”

Proverbs 26:11 – “As a dog returns to his vomit, so a fool returns to his folly.”

Proverbs 26:12 – “You see a man wise in his own conceit? there is more hope of a fool than of him.”

Proverbs 26:13-16 – “The slothful {lazy} man says, ‘There is a lion in the way; a lion is in the streets.’ As the door turns upon his hinges, so does the slothful {lazy} upon his bed. The slothful {lazy} hides his hand in his bosom; it grieves him to bring it again to his mouth. The sluggard {lazy} is wiser in his own conceit than seven men that can render a reason.”

Proverbs 26:17 – “He that passes by, and meddles with strife belonging not to him, is like one that takes a dog by the ears.”

Proverbs 26:18-19 – “As a mad man who casts firebrands, arrows, and death, So is the man that deceives his neighbour, and says, ‘Am not I in sport?’”

Proverbs 26:20 – “Where no wood is, there the fire goes out: so where there is no talebearer, the strife ceases.”

Proverbs 26:21 – “As coals are to burning coals, and wood to fire; so is a contentious man to kindle strife.”

Proverbs 26:22 – “The words of a talebearer are as wounds, and they go down into the innermost parts of the belly.”

Proverbs 26:23-26 – “Burning lips and a wicked heart are like a potsherd covered with silver dross. He that hates dissembles with his lips, and lays up deceit within him; When he speaks fair, believe him not: for there are seven abominations in his heart. Whose hatred is covered by deceit, his wickedness shall be shewed before the whole congregation.”

Proverbs 26:27 – “Whoso digs a pit shall fall therein: and he that rolls a stone, it will return upon him.”

Proverbs 26:28 – “A lying tongue hates those that are afflicted by it; and a flattering mouth works ruin.”

Proverbs 27:1 – “Boast not thyself of tomorrow; for you know not what a day may bring forth.”

Proverbs 27:2 – “Let another man praise you, and not your own mouth; a stranger, and not your own lips.”

Proverbs 27:3 – “A stone is heavy, and the sand weighty; but a fool's wrath is heavier than them both.”

Proverbs 27:4 – “Wrath is cruel, and anger is outrageous; but who is able to stand before envy?”

Proverbs 27:5 – “Open rebuke is better than secret love.”

Proverbs 27:6 – “Faithful are the wounds of a friend; but the kisses of an enemy are deceitful.”

Proverbs 27:7 – “The full soul loathes an honeycomb; but to the hungry soul every bitter thing is sweet.”

Proverbs 27:8 – “As a bird that wanders from her nest, so is a man that wanders from his place.”

Proverbs 27:9 – “Ointment and perfume rejoice the heart: so does the sweetness of a man's friend by hearty counsel.”

Proverbs 27:10 – “Your own friend, and your father's friend, forsake not; neither go into your brother's house in the day of your calamity: for better is a neighbour that is near than a brother far off.”

Proverbs 27:11 – “My son, be wise, and make my heart glad, that I may answer him that reproaches me.”

Proverbs 27:12 – “A prudent man foresees the evil, and hides himself; but the simple pass on, and are punished.”

Proverbs 27:13 – “Take his garment that is surety for a stranger, and take a pledge of him for a strange woman.”

Proverbs 27:14 – “He that blesses his friend with a loud voice, rising early in the morning, it shall be counted a curse to him.”

Proverbs 27:15-16 – “A continual dropping in a very rainy day and a contentious woman are alike. Whosoever hides her hides the wind, and the ointment of his right hand, which bewray {betray} itself.”

Proverbs 27:17 – “Iron sharpens iron; so a man sharpens the countenance of his friend.”

Proverbs 27:18 – “Whoso keeps the fig tree shall eat the fruit thereof: so he that waits on his master shall be honoured.”

Proverbs 27:19 – “As in water face answers to face, so the heart of man to man.”

Proverbs 27:20 – “Hell and destruction are never full; so the eyes of man are never satisfied.”

Proverbs 27:21 – “As the fining pot for silver, and the furnace for gold; so is a man to his praise.”

Proverbs 27:22 – “Though you should bray a fool in a mortar among wheat with a pestle, yet will not his foolishness depart from him.”

Proverbs 27:23-27 – “You be diligent to know the state of your flocks, and look well to your herds. For riches are not for ever: and does the crown endure to every generation? The hay appears, and the tender grass shews itself, and herbs of the mountains are gathered. The lambs are for your clothing, and the goats are the price of the field. And you shall have goats' milk enough for your food, for the food of your household, and for the maintenance for your maidens.”

Proverbs 28:1 – “The wicked flee when no man pursues: but the righteous are bold as a lion.”

Proverbs 28:2 – “For the transgression of a land many are the princes thereof: but by a man of understanding and knowledge the state thereof shall be prolonged.”

Proverbs 28:3 – “A poor man that oppresses the poor is like a sweeping rain which leaves no food.”

Proverbs 28:4 – “They that forsake the law praise the wicked: but such as keep the law contend with them.”

Proverbs 28:5 – “Evil men understand not judgment: but they that seek the Lord understand all things.”

Proverbs 28:6 – “Better is the poor that walks in his uprightness, than he that is perverse in his ways, though he be rich.”

Proverbs 28:7 – “Whoso keeps the law is a wise son: but he that is a companion of riotous men shames his father.”

Proverbs 28:8 – “He that by usury and unjust gain increases his substance, he shall gather it for him that will pity the poor.”

Proverbs 28:9 – “He that turns away his ear from hearing the law, even his prayer shall be abomination.”

Proverbs 28:10 – “Whoso causes the righteous to go astray in an evil way, he shall fall himself into his own pit: but the upright shall have good things in possession.”

Proverbs 28:11 – “The rich man is wise in his own conceit; but the poor that has understanding searches him out.”

Proverbs 28:12 – “When righteous men do rejoice, there is great glory: but when the wicked rise, a man is hidden.”

Proverbs 28:13 – “He that covers his sins shall not prosper: but whoso confesses and forsakes them shall have mercy.”

Proverbs 28:14 – “Happy is the man that fears alway: but he that hardens his heart shall fall into mischief.”

Proverbs 28:15 – “As a roaring lion, and a ranging bear; so is a wicked ruler over the poor people.”

Proverbs 28:16 – “The prince that wants understanding is also a great oppressor: but he that hates covetousness shall prolong his days.”

Proverbs 28:17 – “A man that does violence to the blood of any person shall flee to the pit; let no man stay him.”

Proverbs 28:18 – “Whoso walks uprightly shall be saved: but he that is perverse in his ways shall fall at once.”

Proverbs 28:19 – “He that tills his land shall have plenty of bread: but he that follows after vain persons shall have poverty enough.”

Proverbs 28:20 – “A faithful man shall abound with blessings: but he that makes haste to be rich shall not be innocent.”

Proverbs 28:21 – “To have respect of persons is not good: for for a piece of bread that man will transgress.”

Proverbs 28:22 – “He that hastes to be rich has an evil eye, and considers not that poverty shall come upon him.”

Proverbs 28:23 – “He that rebukes a man afterwards shall find more favour than he that flatters with the tongue.”

Proverbs 28:24 – “Whoso robs his father or his mother, and says, ‘It is no transgression;’ the same is the companion of a destroyer.”

Proverbs 28:25 – “He that is of a proud heart stirs up strife: but he that puts his trust in the Lord shall be made fat.”

Proverbs 28:26 – “He that trusts in his own heart is a fool: but whoso walks wisely, he shall be delivered.”

Proverbs 28:27 – “He that gives unto the poor shall not lack: but he that hides his eyes shall have many a curse.”

Proverbs 28:28 – “When the wicked rise, men hide themselves: but when they perish, the righteous increase.”

Proverbs 29:1 – “He, that being often reprov'd hardens his neck, shall suddenly be destroyed, and that without remedy.”

Proverbs 29:2 – “When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice: but when the wicked bears rule, the people mourn.”

Proverbs 29:3 – “Whoso loves wisdom rejoices his father: but he that keeps company with harlots spends his substance.”

Proverbs 29:4 – “The king by judgment establishes the land: but he that receives gifts overthrows it.”

Proverbs 29:5 – “A man that flatters his neighbour spreads a net for his feet.”

Proverbs 29:6 – “In the transgression of an evil man there is a snare: but the righteous does sing and rejoice.”

Proverbs 29:7 – “The righteous considers the cause of the poor: but the wicked regards not to know it.”

Proverbs 29:8 – “Scornful men bring a city into a snare: but wise men turn away wrath.”

Proverbs 29:9 – “If a wise man contends with a foolish man, whether he rage or laugh, there is no rest.”

Proverbs 29:10 – “The bloodthirsty hate the upright: but the just seek his soul.”

Proverbs 29:11 – “A fool utters all his mind: but a wise man keeps it in till afterwards.”

Proverbs 29:12 – “If a ruler hearken to lies, all his servants are wicked.”

Proverbs 29:13 – “The poor and the deceitful man meet together: the Lord lightens both their eyes.”

Proverbs 29:14 – “The king that faithfully judges the poor, his throne shall be established for ever.”

Proverbs 29:15 – “The rod and reproof give wisdom: but a child left to himself brings his mother to shame.”

Proverbs 29:16 – “When the wicked are multiplied, transgression increases: but the righteous shall see their fall.”

Proverbs 29:17 – “Correct your son, and he shall give you rest; yes, he shall give delight unto your soul.”

Proverbs 29:18 – “Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keeps the Law, happy is he.”

Proverbs 29:19 – “A servant will not be corrected by words: for though he understand he will not answer.”

Proverbs 29:20 – “You see a man that is hasty in his words? there is more hope of a fool than of him.”

Proverbs 29:21 – “He that delicately brings up his servant from a child shall have him become his son at the length.”

Proverbs 29:22 – “An angry man stirs up strife, and a furious man abounds in transgression.”

Proverbs 29:23 – “A man's pride shall bring him low: but honour shall uphold the humble in spirit.”

Proverbs 29:24 – “Whoso is partner with a thief hates his own soul: he hears cursing, and bewrays {betrays} it not.”

Proverbs 29:25 – “The fear of man brings a snare: but whoso puts his trust in the Lord shall be safe.”

Proverbs 29:26 – “Many seek the ruler's favour; but every man's judgment comes from the Lord.”

Proverbs 29:27 – “An unjust man is an abomination to the just: and he that is upright in the way is abomination to the wicked.”

Proverbs 30:1-4 – “The words of Agur the son of Jakeh, even the prophecy: the man spake unto Ithiel, even unto Ithiel and Ucal, Surely I am more brutish than any man, and have not the understanding of a man. I neither learned wisdom, nor have the knowledge of the holy. Who has ascended up into heaven, or descended? who has gathered the wind in his fists? who has bound the waters in a garment? who has established all the ends of the earth? what is his name, and what is his son's name, if you can tell?”

{It seems as though that not every proverb in the book of Proverbs is by Solomon. Jesus accepted the Old Testament so we will accept all of these proverbs to be Scripture quality.}

Proverbs 30:5-6 – “Every word of God is pure: He is a shield unto them that put their trust in Him. You add not unto His words, lest He reprove you, and you be found a liar.”

Proverbs 30:7-9 – “Two things have I required of you; deny me them not before I die: Remove far from me vanity and lies: give me neither poverty nor riches; feed me with food convenient for me: Lest I be full, and deny you, and say, ‘Who is the Lord?’ or lest I be poor, and steal, and take the name of my God in vain.”

Proverbs 30:10 – “Accuse not a servant unto his master, lest he curse you, and you be found guilty.”

Proverbs 30:11-14 – “There is a generation that curses their father, and does not bless their mother. There is a generation that are pure in their own eyes, and yet is not washed from their filthiness. There is a generation, O how lofty are their eyes! and their eyelids are lifted up. There is a generation, whose teeth are as swords, and their jaw teeth as knives, to devour the poor from off the earth, and the needy from among men.”

Proverbs 30:15-16 – “The horseleach has two daughters, crying, ‘Give, give.’ There are three things that are never satisfied, yes, four things say not, ‘It is enough:’ The grave; and the barren womb; the earth that is not filled with water; and the fire that says not, ‘It is enough.’”

Proverbs 30:17 – “The eye that mocks at his father, and despises to obey his mother, the ravens of the valley shall pick it out, and the young eagles shall eat it.”

Proverbs 30:18-19 – “There be three things which are too wonderful for me, yes, four which I know not: The way of an eagle in the air; the way of a serpent upon a rock; the way of a ship in the midst of the sea; and the way of a man with a maid.”

Proverbs 30:20 – “Such is the way of an adulterous woman; she eats, and wipes her mouth, and says, ‘I have done no wickedness.’”

Proverbs 30:21-23 – “For three things the earth is disquieted, and for four which it cannot bear: For a servant when he reigns; and a fool when he is filled with meat; For an odious woman when she is married; and an handmaid that is heir to her mistress.”

Proverbs 30:24-28 – “There be four things which are little upon the earth, but they are exceeding wise: The ants are a people not strong, yet they prepare their meat in the summer; The conies are but a feeble folk, yet make they their

houses in the rocks; The locusts have no king, yet go they forth all of them by bands; The spider takes hold with her hands, and is in kings' palaces.”

Proverbs 30:29-31 – “There be three things which go well, yes, four are comely in going: A lion which is strongest among beasts, and turns not away for any; A greyhound; an he goat also; and a king, against whom there is no rising up.”

Proverbs 30:32 – “If you have done foolishly in lifting up yourself, or if you have thought evil, lay your hand upon thy mouth.”

Proverbs 30:33 – “Surely the churning of milk brings forth butter, and the wringing of the nose brings forth blood: so the forcing of wrath brings forth strife.”

Proverbs 31:1-7 – “The words of king Lemuel, the prophecy that his mother taught him. What, my son? and what, the son of my womb? and what, the son of my vows? Give not your strength unto women, nor your ways to that which destroys kings. It is not for kings, O Lemuel, it is not for kings to drink wine; nor for princes strong drink: Lest they drink, and forget the law, and pervert the judgment of any of the afflicted. Give strong drink unto him that is ready to perish, and wine unto those that be of heavy hearts. Let him drink, and forget his poverty, and remember his misery no more.”

Proverbs 31:8-9 – “Open your mouth for the dumb in the cause of all such as are appointed to destruction. Open your mouth, judge righteously, and plead the cause of the poor and needy.”

Proverbs 31:10-31 – “Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies. The heart of her husband does safely trust in her, so that he shall have no need of spoil. She will do him good and not evil all the days of her life. She seeks wool, and flax, and works willingly with her hands. She is like the merchants' ships; she brings her food from afar. She rises also while it is yet night, and gives meat to her household, and a portion to her maidens. She considers a field, and buys it: with the fruit of her hands she plants a vineyard. She girds her loins with strength, and strengthens her arms. She perceives that her merchandise is good: her candle goes not out by night. She lays her hands to the spindle, and her hands hold the distaff. She stretches out her hand to the

poor; yes, she reaches forth her hands to the needy. She is not afraid of the snow for her household: for all her household are clothed with scarlet. She makes herself coverings of tapestry; her clothing is silk and purple. Her husband is known in the gates, when he sits among the elders of the land. She makes fine linen, and sells it; and delivers girdles unto the merchant. Strength and honour are her clothing; and she shall rejoice in time to come. She opens her mouth with wisdom; and in her tongue is the law of kindness. She looks well to the ways of her household, and eats not the bread of idleness. Her children arise up, and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her. Many daughters have done virtuously, but you excell them all. Favour is deceitful, and beauty is vain: but a woman that fears the Lord, she shall be praised. Give her of the fruit of her hands; and let her own works praise her in the gates.”

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