

Proverbs

Wisdom and Health

- 10:20 - The tongue of the just is as choice silver: the heart of the wicked is little worth.
- 10:31 - The mouth of the just bringeth forth wisdom: but the froward tongue shall be cut out.
- 12:18 - There is that speaketh like the piercings of a sword: but the tongue of the wise is health.
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- 12:19 - The lip of truth shall be established forever: but a lying tongue is but for a moment.
- 12:25 - Heaviness in the heart of man maketh it stoop: but a good word maketh it glad.
- 15:2 - The tongue of the wise uses knowledge aright: but the mouth of fools poureth out foolishness.
- 15:4 - A wholesome tongue is a tree of life: but perverseness therein is a breach in the spirit.
- 15:23 - A man hath joy by the answer of his mouth: and a word spoken in due season, how good is it!
- 16:20 - Pleasant words are as a honeycomb, sweet to the soul, and health to the bones.
- 17:7 - Excellent speech becometh not a fool: much less do lying lips a prince.
- 18:21 - Death and life are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof.
- 21:6 - The getting of treasures by a lying tongue is a vanity tossed to and fro of them that seek death.
- 25:11 - A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver.
- But the tongue can no man tame; it is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison. - James 3:8

Discretion

- He that keepeth his mouth keepeth his life: but he that openeth wide his lips shall have destruction. - 13:3
- Seest thou a man that is hasty in his words? there is more hope of a fool than of him. - 29:20
- He that covereth a transgression seeketh love; but he that repeateth a matter separateth very friends. - 17:9
- In the multitude of words there wanteth not sin: but he that refraineth his lips is wise. - 10:19

Gossip

- Where no wood is, there the fire goeth out: so where there is no talebearer, the strife ceaseth. - 26:20
- A froward man soweth strife: and a whisperer separateth chief friends. - 16:28
- He that goeth about as a talebearer revealeth secrets: therefore meddle not with him that flattereth with his lips. - 20:19
- A hypocrite with his mouth destroyeth his neighbor: but through knowledge shall the just be delivered.

When it goeth well with the righteous, the city rejoiceth: and when the wicked perish, there is shouting.

By the blessing of the upright the city is exalted: but it is overthrown by the mouth of the wicked.

He that is void of wisdom despiseth his neighbor: but a man of understanding holdeth his peace.

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- A wicked doer giveth heed to false lips; and a liar giveth ear to a naughty tongue. - 17:4

Honesty

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- He that rebuketh a man afterwards shall find more favor than he that flattereth with the tongue. - 28:23
- A lying tongue hates those that are afflicted by it; and a flattering mouth worketh ruin. - 26:28

Appeals and Contention

- By long forbearing is a prince persuaded, and a soft tongue breaketh the bone. - 25:15
- A soft answer turneth away wrath: but grievous words stir up anger.

God's Opinion

- These six things doth the LORD hate: yea, seven are an abomination unto him: A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood, A heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief, A false witness that speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren. - 6:16-20
- If any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain. - James 1:26

- But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment. - Mt 12:36

A Reflection of your Heart

- But those things which proceed out of the mouth come forth from the heart; and they defile the man. - Mt 15:18
- Behold, we put bits in the horses' mouths, that they may obey us; and we turn about their whole body. Behold also the ships, which though they be so great, and are driven of fierce winds, yet are they turned about with a very small helm, whithersoever the governor listeth. - James 3:3 ...