

## PROVERBS 28

<sup>1</sup> The ungodly *man* flees when no one pursues, but the righteous is confident as a lion.

<sup>2</sup> Contentions are raised by the sins of the wicked, but a wise man shall extinguish them.

<sup>3</sup> A bold man oppresses the poor by ungodly deeds.

As a deluge of rain is indeed unprofitable,

<sup>4</sup> so they that forsake the law applaud iniquity;

but they that love the law fortify themselves with a wall.

<sup>5</sup> Evil men will not understand judgment, but they that seek the Lord will understand everything.

<sup>6</sup> A poor man walking in truth is better than a rich liar.

<sup>7</sup> A wise son keeps the law, but he that keeps up debauchery dishonors his father.

<sup>8</sup> He that increases his wealth by usury and *unjust* gains, gathers it for him that pities the poor.

<sup>9</sup> He that turns away his ear from hearing the law, even he has made his prayer abominable.

<sup>10</sup> He that causes upright men to err in an evil way, himself shall fall into destruction.

Transgressors also shall pass by prosperity, but shall not enter into it.

<sup>11</sup> A rich man is wise in his own conceit, but a poor man with understanding shall condemn him.

<sup>12</sup> For helping the righteous there is great glory, but in the places of the ungodly men are entrapped.

<sup>13</sup> He that covers his own ungodliness shall not prosper, but he that blames *himself* shall be loved.

<sup>14</sup> Blessed is the man who religiously fears always, but the hard of heart shall fall into evils.

<sup>15</sup> A hungry lion and a thirsty wolf *is he*, who, being poor, rules over a poor nation.

<sup>16</sup> A king in need of revenues is a great oppressor, but he that hates injustice shall live long.

<sup>17</sup> He that becomes surety for a man charged with murder shall be in exile, and not in safety.

Chasten your son, and he shall love you, and give honor to your soul: he shall not obey a sinful nation.

<sup>18</sup> He that walks righteously shall be helped, but he that walks in crooked ways shall be entangled.

<sup>19</sup> He that tills his own land shall have plenty of bread, but he that follows idleness shall have plenty of poverty.

<sup>20</sup> A man worthy of credit shall be much blessed, but the wicked shall not escape punishment.

<sup>21</sup> He who does not regard the persons of the righteous is not good: such a one will sell a man for a morsel of bread.

<sup>22</sup> An envious man makes haste to be rich, and does not know that the merciful man shall have mastery over him.

<sup>23</sup> He that reproves a man's ways shall have more favor than he that flatters with the tongue.

<sup>24</sup> He that casts off father or mother, and thinks he does not sin, the same is partaker with an ungodly man.

<sup>25</sup> A faithless man judges rashly, but he that trusts in the Lord will act carefully.

<sup>26</sup> He who puts confidence in his bold heart is a fool: but he that walks in wisdom shall be safe.

<sup>27</sup> He that gives to the poor shall not be in need, but he that turns away his eye *from him* shall be in great distress. <sup>28</sup> In the places of ungodly *men* the righteous mourn, but in their destruction the righteous shall be multiplied.