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Psalms 26.

1 . A Psalm of David...

By David. Judge me, YHWH, for I have walked in my integrity. I have trusted also in YHWH without wavering.

- 2 Examine me, YHWH, and prove me. Try my heart and my mind.
- 3 For your loving kindness is before my eyes. I have walked in your truth.
- 4 I have not sat with deceitful men, neither will I go in with hypocrites.
- 5 I hate the assembly of evildoers, and will not sit with the wicked.
- 6 I will wash my hands in innocence, so I will go about your altar, YHWH;
- 7 that I may make the voice of thanksgiving to be heard, and tell of all your wondrous works.
- 8 YHWH, I love the habitation of your house, the place where your glory dwells.
- 9 Don't gather my soul with sinners, nor my life with bloodthirsty men;
- 10 in whose hands is wickedness, their right hand is full of bribes.
- 11 But as for me, I will walk in my integrity. Redeem me, and be merciful to me.
- 12 My foot stands in an even place. In the congregations I will bless YHWH!

Proverbs 26.

- 1 Like snow in summer, and as rain in harvest, so honor is not fitting for a fool.
- 2 Like a fluttering sparrow, like a darting swallow, so the undeserved curse doesn't come to rest.
- 3 A whip is for the horse, a bridle for the donkey, and a rod for the back of fools!
- 4 Don't answer a fool according to his folly, lest you also be like him.
- 5 Answer a fool according to his folly, lest he be wise in his own eyes.
- 6 One who sends a message by the hand of a fool is cutting off feet and drinking violence.
- 7 Like the legs of the lame that hang loose: so is a parable in the mouth of fools.
- 8 As one who binds a stone in a sling, so is he who gives honor to a fool.
- 9 Like a thornbush that goes into the hand of a drunkard, so is a parable in the mouth of fools.
- 10 As an archer who wounds all, so is he who hires a fool or he who hires those who pass by.
- 11 As a dog that returns to his vomit, so is a fool who repeats his folly.
- 12 Do you see a man wise in his own eyes? There is more hope for a fool than for him.
- 13 The sluggard says, "There is a lion in the road! A fierce lion roams the streets!"
- 14 As the door turns on its hinges, so does the sluggard on his bed.
- 15 The sluggard buries his hand in the dish. He is too lazy to bring it back to his mouth.
- 16 The sluggard is wiser in his own eyes than seven men who answer with discretion.
- 17 Like one who grabs a dog's ears is one who passes by and meddles in a quarrel not his own.
- 18 Like a madman who shoots torches, arrows, and death,
- 19 is the man who deceives his neighbor and says, "Am I not joking?"
- 20 For lack of wood a fire goes out. Without gossip, a quarrel dies down.
- 21 As coals are to hot embers, and wood to fire, so is a contentious man to kindling strife.
- 22 The words of a whisperer are as dainty morsels, they go down into the innermost parts.

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- 23 Like silver dross on an earthen vessel are the lips of a fervent one with an evil heart.
- 24 A malicious man disguises himself with his lips, but he harbors evil in his heart.
- 25 When his speech is charming, don't believe him; for there are seven abominations in his heart.
- 26 His malice may be concealed by deception, but his wickedness will be exposed in the assembly.
- 27 Whoever digs a pit shall fall into it. Whoever rolls a stone, it will come back on him.
- 28 A lying tongue hates those it hurts; and a flattering mouth works ruin.

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