

PROVERBS 3:1-18 (D1-9, 4-12)

(Pro-verbs three: one through eigh - teen:) 1)My son, do not for - get my teach - ing, but

5 keep my com - mands in your heart, 2)for they will pro - long your life man - y years and

9 bring you pros - per - i - ty. 3)Let love and faith - ful - ness nev - er leave you;

13 bind them a - round your neck, write them on the tab - let of your heart. 4)Then you will win

16 fa - vor and a good name in the sight of God and man. 5)Trust in the Lord with

20 all your heart and lean not on your own un - der - stand - ing; 6)in all your ways ac -

24 know - ledge him, and he will make your paths straight. 7)Do not be wise in your own eyes;

29 fear the Lord and shun e - vil. 8)This will bring health to your bod - y and

33 nour - ish - ment to your bones. 9)Hon - or the Lord with your wealth, with the first - fruits of

38 all your crops; 10)then your barns will be filled to o - ver - flow - ing, and your

41 vats will brim o - ver with new wine. 11)My son, do not des - pise the Lord's dis - ci - pline

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 and do not re - sent his re - buke, 12) be - cause the Lord dis - ci - plines those he loves, as a

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 fa - ther the son he de - lights in. 13) Bless - ed is the man who finds

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 wis - dom, the man who gains un - der - stand - ing, 14) for she is more prof - it - a -

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 ble than sil - ver and yields bet - ter re - turns than gold. 15) She

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 is more pre - cious than ru - bies; noth - ing you de - sire can com - pare with her.

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 16) Long life is in her right hand; in her left hand are rich - es and hon - or. 17) Her

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 ways are pleas - ant ways, and all her paths are peace. 18) She is a tree of

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 life to those who em - brace her; those who lay hold of her will be blessed.