



## Ketouvim (hagiographes) - Proverbs

### Chapter 1

- 1,1 The proverbs of Solomon the son of David, king of Israel;  
1,2 To know wisdom and instruction; to comprehend the words of understanding;  
1,3 To receive the discipline of wisdom, justice, and right, and equity;  
1,4 To give prudence to the simple, to the young man knowledge and discretion;  
1,5 That the wise man may hear, and increase in learning, and the man of understanding may attain unto wise counsels;  
1,6 To understand a proverb, and a figure; the words of the wise, and their dark sayings.  
1,7 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge; but the foolish despise wisdom and discipline.  
1,8 Hear, my son, the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the teaching of thy mother;  
1,9 For they shall be a chaplet of grace unto thy head, and chains about thy neck.  
1,10 My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not.  
1,11 If they say: 'Come with us, let us lie in wait for blood, let us lurk for the innocent without cause;  
1,12 Let us swallow them up alive as the grave, and whole, as those that go down into the pit;  
1,13 We shall find all precious substance, we shall fill our houses with spoil;  
1,14 Cast in thy lot among us; let us all have one purse'--  
1,15 My son, walk not thou in the way with them, restrain thy foot from their path;  
1,16 For their feet run to evil, and they make haste to shed blood.  
1,17 For in vain the net is spread in the eyes of any bird;  
1,18 And these lie in wait for their own blood, they lurk for their own lives.  
1,19 So are the ways of every one that is greedy of gain; it taketh away the life of the owners thereof.  
1,20 Wisdom crieth aloud in the streets, she uttereth her voice in the broad places;  
1,21 She calleth at the head of the noisy streets, at the entrances of the gates, in the city, she uttereth her words:  
1,22 'How long, ye thoughtless, will ye love thoughtlessness? And how long will scorers delight them in scorning, and fools hate knowledge?  
1,23 Turn you at my reproof; behold, I will pour out my spirit unto you, I will make known my words unto you.  
1,24 Because I have called, and ye refused, I have stretched out my hand, and no man attended,  
1,25 But ye have set at nought all my counsel, and would none of my reproof;  
1,26 I also, in your calamity, will laugh, I will mock when your dread cometh;  
1,27 When your dread cometh as a storm, and your calamity cometh on as a whirlwind; when trouble and distress come upon you.  
1,28 Then will they call me, but I will not answer, they will seek me earnestly, but they shall not find me.  
1,29 For that they hated knowledge, and did not choose the fear of the Lord;  
1,30 They would none of my counsel, they despised all my reproof.  
1,31 Therefore shall they eat of the fruit of their own way, and be filled with their own devices.



- 1,32 For the waywardness of the thoughtless shall slay them, and the confidence of fools shall destroy them.
- 1,33 But whoso hearkeneth unto me shall dwell securely, and shall be quiet without fear of evil.'