

# Proverbs

Anger, Contention & Strife

# Purposes/Uses Of The Book

(Prov. 1:2-6)

- 2 To know wisdom and instruction, To perceive the words of understanding, 3 To receive the instruction of wisdom, Justice, judgment, and equity; 4 To give prudence to the simple, To the young man knowledge and discretion-- 5 A wise [man] will hear and increase learning, And a man of understanding will attain wise counsel, 6 To understand a proverb and an enigma, The words of the wise and their riddles.

# Made For Application

- [Jas 1:21-25 NKJV] 21 Therefore lay aside all filthiness and overflow of wickedness, and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls. 22 But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. 23 For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man observing his natural face in a mirror; 24 for he observes himself, goes away, and immediately forgets what kind of man he was. 25 But he who looks into the perfect law of liberty and continues [in it], and is not a forgetful hearer but a doer of the work, this one will be blessed in what he does.

**ANGER**

# Behavior Of The Angry Man

- [Pro 14:16-17 NKJV] 16 A wise [man] fears and departs from evil, But a fool rages and is self-confident. 17 A quick-tempered [man] acts foolishly, And a man of wicked intentions is hated.
- [Pro 14:29 NKJV] 29 [He who is] slow to wrath has great understanding, But [he who is] impulsive exalts folly.
- [Pro 15:18 NKJV] 18 A wrathful man stirs up strife, But [he who is] slow to anger allays contention.

# Behavior Of The Angry Man

- [Pro 16:32 NKJV] 32 [He who is] slow to anger [is] better than the mighty, And he who rules his spirit than he who takes a city.
- [Pro 19:11-12 NKJV] 11 The discretion of a man makes him slow to anger, And his glory [is] to overlook a transgression. 12 The king's wrath [is] like the roaring of a lion, But his favor [is] like dew on the grass.

# Consequences Of Anger

- [Pro 27:3-4 NKJV] 3 A stone [is] heavy and sand [is] weighty, But a fool's wrath [is] heavier than both of them. 4 Wrath [is] cruel and anger a torrent, But who [is] able to stand before jealousy?
- [Pro 29:22 NKJV] 22 An angry man stirs up strife, And a furious man abounds in transgression.
- [Pro 19:19 NKJV] 19 [A man of] great wrath will suffer punishment; For if you rescue [him], you will have to do it again.

**CONTENTION & STRIFE**



# Contention & Strife

- [Pro 20:3 NKJV] 3 [It is] honorable for a man to stop striving, Since any fool can start a quarrel.
- [Pro 15:18 NKJV] 18 A wrathful man stirs up strife, But [he who is] slow to anger allays contention.
- [Pro 17:14 NKJV] 14 The beginning of strife [is like] releasing water; Therefore stop contention before a quarrel starts.

# Contention & Strife

- [Pro 22:10-12 NKJV] 10 Cast out the scoffer, and contention will leave; Yes, strife and reproach will cease. 11 He who loves purity of heart [And has] grace on his lips, The king [will be] his friend. 12 The eyes of the LORD preserve knowledge, But He overthrows the words of the faithless.
- [Pro 26:20-21 NKJV] 20 Where [there is] no wood, the fire goes out; And where [there is] no talebearer, strife ceases. 21 [As] charcoal [is] to burning coals, and wood to fire, So [is] a contentious man to kindle strife.

# Other Causes Of Strife

- [Pro 10:12 NKJV] 12 Hatred stirs up strife, But love covers all sins.
- [Pro 16:27-28 NKJV] 27 An ungodly man digs up evil, And [it is] on his lips like a burning fire. 28 A perverse man sows strife, And a whisperer separates the best of friends.
- [Pro 28:25 NKJV] 25 He who is of a proud heart stirs up strife, But he who trusts in the LORD will be prospered.

# Consequences Of Strife

- [Pro 26:17 NKJV] 17 He who passes by [and] meddles in a quarrel not his own [Is like] one who takes a dog by the ears.
- [Pro 17:1 NKJV] 1 Better [is] a dry morsel with quietness, Than a house full of feasting [with] strife.
- [Pro 18:18-19 NKJV] 18 Casting lots causes contentions to cease, And keeps the mighty apart. 19 A brother offended [is harder to win] than a strong city, And contentions [are] like the bars of a castle.
- [Pro 17:19 NKJV] 19 He who loves transgression loves strife, And he who exalts his gate seeks destruction.