Citizenship Overview

The LORD said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tables of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction."

Exodus 24: 12 RSV

You shall have one law for him who does anything unwittingly, for him who is native among the people of Israel, and for the stranger who sojourns among them. Numbers 15: 29 RSV

"If you are not careful to do all the words of this law which are written in this book... then the LORD will bring on you and your offspring extraordinary afflictions... Deuteronomy 28: 58-59 RSV

"Assemble the people, men, women, and little ones, and the sojourner within your towns, that they may hear and learn to fear the LORD your God, and be careful to do all the words of this law..."

Deuteronomy 31: 12 RSV

"Take good care to observe the commandment and the law which Moses the servant of the LORD commanded you, to love the LORD your God, and to walk in all his ways..."

Joshua 22: 5 RSV

Do not envy a man of violence and do not choose any of his ways; for the perverse man is an abomination to the LORD, but the upright are in his confidence.

Proverbs 3: 31-32 RSV

It is not good to be partial to a wicked man, or to deprive a righteous man of justice. Proverbs 18: 9 RSV He who has a bountiful eye will be blessed; for he shares his bread with the poor. Proverbs 22: 9 RSV

Those who forsake the law praise the wicked, but those who keep the law strive against them.

Proverbs 28: 4 RSV

If one turns away his ear from hearing the law, even his prayer is an abomination. Proverbs 28: 9 RSV

Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for their toil. For if they fall, one will lift up his fellow; but woe to him who is alone when he falls and has not another to lift him up.

Ecclesiastes 4: 9-10 RSV

Again, if two lie together, they are warm; but how can one be warm alone? And though a man might prevail against one who is alone, two will withstand him. A threefold cord is not quickly broken. Ecclesiastes 4: 11-12 RSV

It shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the house of the LORD shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; and all the nations shall flow to it... Isaiah 2: 2 RSV

[The LORD] shall judge between the nations...and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

Isaiah 2: 4 RSV

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God." Matthew 5: 9 ASB

"Blessed are you when people insult you and persecute you, and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of Me." Matthew 5: 11 ASB

"Rejoice and be glad, for your reward in heaven is great; for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

Matthew 5: 12 ASB

"You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt has become tasteless, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled under foot by men." Matthew 5: 13 ASB

"You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden; nor does anyone light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house."

Matthew 5: 14-15 ASB

"Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven." Matthew 5: 16 ASB

"Do not think that I came to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I did not come to abolish but to fulfill.

Matthew 5: 17 ASB

..."Every kingdom divided against itself is laid waste; and no city or house divided against itself will stand."

Matthew 12: 25 ASB

"He who is greatest among you shall be your servant; whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles himself will be exalted."

Matthew 23: 11 RSV

"But I say to you, do not resist an evil person; but whoever slaps you on your right cheek, turn the other to him also. If anyone wants to sue you and take your shirt, let him have your coat also."

Matthew 5: 39-40 ASB

"Whoever forces you to go one mile, go with him two. Give to him who asks of you, and do not turn away from him who wants to borrow from you."

Matthew 5: 41-42 ASB

... "Every kingdom divided against itself is laid waste; and no city or house divided against itself will stand."

Matthew 12: 25 ASB

"When the Son of man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate them one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will place the sheep at his right hand, but the goats at the left.

Then the King will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, O blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.'

Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see thee hungry and feed thee, or thirsty and give thee drink? And when did we see thee a stranger and welcome thee, or naked and clothe thee? And when did we see thee sick or in prison and visit thee?'

And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me.'

Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.'

Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when did we see thee hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to thee?'

Then he will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it not to one of the least of these, you did it not to me.'

And they will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

Matthew 25: 31-46 ASB

And he took a child, and put him in the midst of them; and taking him in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me."

Mark 9: 36-37 RSV

"...He who has two coats, let him share with him who has none; and he who has food, let him do likewise."

Luke 3: 11 ASB

There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.

Galatians 3: 28-29 ASB

Let us then pursue what makes for peace and for mutual upbuilding. Romans 14: 19 RSV

They were commanded not to harm the grass of the earth, or any green thing, or any tree...

Revelation 9: 4 NKJV

Citizenship Family

Hear, my son, your father's instruction, and reject not your mother's teaching; for they are a fair garland for your head, and pendants for your neck.

Proverbs: 1: 8-9 RSV

Hear, O sons, a father's instruction, and be attentive, that you may gain insight; for I give you good precepts: do not forsake my teaching.

Proverbs 4: 1-2 RSV

"Let your heart hold fast my words; keep my commandments, and live; do not forget, and do not turn away from the words of my mouth. Get wisdom; get insight." Proverbs 4: 4-5 RSV

My son, keep your father's commandment, and forsake not your mother's teaching. Bind them upon your heart always; tie them about your neck. Proverbs 6: 20-21 RSV

For the commandment is a lamp and the teaching a light, and the reproofs of discipline are the way of life... Proverbs 6: 23 RSV

A wise son makes a glad father, but a foolish son is a sorrow to his mother. Proverbs 10: 1 RSV

A son who gathers in summer is prudent, but a son who sleeps in harvest brings shame. Proverbs 10: 5 RSV

A good wife is the crown of her husband, but she who brings shame is like rottenness in his bones.

Proverbs 12: 4 RSV

A wise son hears his father's instruction, but a scoffer does not listen to rebuke. Proverbs 13: 1 RSV

A good man leaves an inheritance to his children's children, but the sinner's wealth is laid up for the righteous. Proverbs 13: 22 RSV

Wisdom builds her house, but folly with her own hands tears it down. Proverbs 14: 1 RSV

Grandchildren are the crown of the aged, and the glory of sons is their fathers. Proverbs 17: 6 RSV

House and wealth are inherited from fathers, but a prudent wife is from the LORD. Proverbs 19: 14 RSV

A foolish son is ruin to his father, and a wife's quarreling is a continual dripping of rain.

Proverbs 19: 13 RSV

Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it.

Proverbs 22: 6 RSV

A righteous man who walks in his integrity-blessed are his sons after him! Proverbs 20: 7 RSV

Do not withhold discipline from a child; if you beat him with a rod, he will not die. If you beat him with the rod you will save his life from Sheol.

Proverbs 23: 13-14 RSV

The father of the righteous will greatly rejoice; he who begets a wise son will be glad in him.

Proverbs 23: 24 RSV

Hearken to your father who begot you, and do not despise your mother when she is old. Proverbs 23: 22 RSV

Let your father and mother be glad, let her who bore you rejoice. Proverbs 23: 25 RSV

Hearken to your father who begot you, and do not despise your mother when she is old. Proverbs 23: 22 RSV

The father of the righteous will greatly rejoice; he who begets a wise son will be glad in him.

Proverbs 23: 24 RSV

There are those who curse their fathers and do not bless their mothers. Proverbs 30: 11 RSV

A good wife who can find? She is far more precious than jewels. The heart of her husband trusts in her, and he will have no lack of gain. She does him good, and not harm, all the days of her life. Proverbs 31: 10-12 RSV

[A good wife] seeks wool and flax, and works with willing hands. She is like the ships of the merchant, she brings her food from afar. She rises while it is yet night and provides food for her household and tasks for her maidens.

Proverbs 31: 13-15 RSV

[A good wife] girds her loins with strength and makes her arms strong. She perceives that her merchandise is profitable. Her lamp does not go out at night.

Proverbs 31: 16-18 RSV

[A good wife] opens her hand to the poor, and reaches out her hands to the needy. She is not afraid of snow for her household, for all her household are clothed in scarlet. She makes herself coverings; her clothing is fine linen and purple.

Proverbs 31: 20-22 RSV

[A good wife's] husband is known in the gates, when he sits among the elders of the land.

Proverbs 31: 23 RSV

Strength and dignity are [a good wife's] clothing, and she laughs at the time to come. She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue. She looks well to the ways of her household, and does not eat the bread of idleness.

Proverbs 31: 25-27 RSV

[A good wife's] children rise up and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her: "Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all." Proverbs 31: 28-29 RSV

Enjoy life with the wife whom you love, all the days of your vain life which he has given you under the sun, because that is your portion in life and in your toil at which you toil under the sun. Ecclesiastes 9: 9 RSV For the wife does not rule over her own body, but the husband does; likewise the husband does not rule over his own body, but the wife does. Do not refuse one another except perhaps by agreement for a season... Corinthians I 7: 4-5 RSV

To the married I give charge, not I but the Lord, that the wife should not separate from her husband (but if she does, let her remain single or else be reconciled to her husband) —and that the husband should not divorce his wife.

Corinthians I 7: 10-11 RSV

Wife, how do you know whether you will save your husband? Husband, how do you know whether you will save your wife? Only, let every one lead the life which the Lord has assigned to him, and in which God has called him.

Corinthians I 7: 16-17 RSV

Wives, be subject to your husbands, as to the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior. As the church is subject to Christ, so let wives also be subject in everything to their husbands.

Ephesians 5: 22-23 RSV

Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, that he might sanctify her...

Ephesians 5: 25-26 RSV

Even so husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. For no man ever hates his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, as Christ does the church, because we are members of his body.

Ephesians 5: 28-30 RSV

[L]et each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

Ephesians 5: 33 RSV

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. "Honor your father and mother" (this is the first commandment with a promise), "that it may be well with you and that you may live long on the earth." Ephesians 6: 1-3 RSV

Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord. Ephesians 6: 4 RSV

Wives, be subject to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord. Husbands, love your wives, and do not be harsh with them. Colossians 3: 18-19 RSV

Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord. Colossians 3: 20 RSV

Fathers, do not provoke your children, lest they become discouraged. Colossians 3: 21 RSV

Do not rebuke an older man but exhort him as you would a father; treat younger men like brothers, older women like mothers, younger women like sisters, in all purity. Timothy I 5: 1-2 RSV

Honor widows who are real widows. If a widow has children or grandchildren, let them first learn their religious duty to their own family and make some return to their parents; for this is acceptable in the sight of God.

Timothy I 5: 3-4 RSV

If any one does not provide for his relatives, and especially for his own family, he has disowned the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.

Timothy I 5: 8 RSV

Hence I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of timidity but a spirit of power and love and self-control.

Timothy II 1: 6-7 RSV

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings...

Timothy II 3: 14-15 RSV

"My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord, nor lose courage when you are punished by him. For the Lord disciplines him whom he loves, and chastises every son whom he receives."

Hebrews 12: 5-6 RSV

It is for discipline that you have to endure. God is treating you as sons; for what son is there whom his father does not discipline? If you are left without discipline, in which all have participated, then you are illegitimate children and not sons.

Hebrews 12: 7-8 RSV

Give honor to marriage, and remain faithful to one another in marriage. God will surely judge people who are immoral and those who commit adultery.

Hebrews 13: 4 TLB

Now concerning the matters about which you wrote. It is well for a man not to touch a woman. But because of the temptation to immorality, each man should have his own wife and each woman her own husband.

The husband should give to his wife her conjugal rights, and likewise the wife to her husband. For the wife does not rule over her own body, but the husband does; likewise the husband does not rule over his own body, but the wife does. Do not refuse one another except perhaps by agreement for a season, that you may devote yourselves to prayer; but then come together again, lest Satan tempt you through lack of self-control. I say this by way of concession, not of command.

I wish that all were as I myself am. But each has his own special gift from God, one of one kind and one of another. To the unmarried and the widows I say that it is well for them to remain single as I do. But if they cannot exercise self-control, they should marry. For it is better to marry than to be aflame with passion.

To the married I give charge, not I but the Lord, that the wife should not separate from her husband (but if she does, let her remain single or else be reconciled to her husband)—and that the husband should not divorce his wife. To the rest I say, not the Lord, that if any brother has a wife who is an unbeliever, and she consents to live with him, he should not divorce her.

If any woman has a husband who is an unbeliever, and he consents to live with her, she should not divorce him. For the unbelieving husband is consecrated through his wife, and the unbelieving wife is consecrated through her husband. Otherwise, your children would be unclean, but as it is they are holy. But if the unbelieving partner desires to separate, let it be so; in such a case the brother or sister is not bound. For God has called us to peace. Wife, how do you know whether you will save your husband? Husband, how do you know whether you will save your wife? Only, let every one lead the life which the Lord has assigned to him, and in which God has called him. This is my rule in all the churches.

Corinthians I 7: 1-17 RSV

And have you forgotten the exhortation which addresses you as sons?—"My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord, nor lose courage when you are punished by him. For the Lord disciplines him whom he loves, and chastises every son whom he receives."

It is for discipline that you have to endure. God is treating you as sons; for what son is there whom his father does not discipline? If you are left without discipline, in which all have participated, then you are illegitimate children and not sons. Besides this, we have had earthly fathers to discipline us and we respected them. Shall we not much more be subject to the Father of spirits and live? For they disciplined us for a short time at their pleasure, but he disciplines us for our good, that we may share his holiness.

For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant; later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.

Hebrews 12: 5-11 RSV

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Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord. Colossians 3: 20 RSV

Fathers, do not provoke your children, lest they become discouraged.

Colossians 3: 21 RSV

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God according to the promise of the life which is in Christ Jesus,

To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I thank God whom I serve with a clear conscience, as did my fathers, when I remember you constantly in my prayers. As I remember your tears, I long night and day to see you, that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lo'is and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in you.

Hence I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of timidity but a spirit of power and love and self-control.

Timothy II 1: 1-7 RSV

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings which are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

Timothy II 3: 14-15 RSV

Citizenship Career/Work

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. Genesis 2: 15 RSV

"May the LORD reward your work, and your wages be full from the LORD, the God of Israel, under whose wings you have come to seek refuge."

Ruth 2: 12 ASB

Behold, what I have seen to be good and to be fitting is to eat and drink and find enjoyment in all the toil with which one toils under the sun the few days of his life which God has given him, for this is his lot. Ecclesiastes 5: 18 RSV

You will know them by their fruits. Grapes are not gathered from thorn bushes nor figs from thistles, are they? So every good tree bears good fruit, but the bad tree bears bad fruit. A good tree cannot produce bad fruit, nor can a bad tree produce good fruit. Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. So then, you will know them by their fruits.

Matthew 7: 16-20 ASB

Therefore they said to Him, "What shall we do, so that we may work the works of God?" Jesus answered and said to them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in Him whom He has sent."

John 6: 28-29 ASB

Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth.

Timothy II 2: 15 RSV

Citizenship: Finances/Wealth

For the LORD your God is bringing you into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and springs, flowing forth in valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey...

Deuteronomy 8: 7-8 RSV

Take heed lest you forget the LORD your God, by not keeping his commandments and his ordinances and his statutes, which I command you this day

Deuteronomy 8: 11 RSV

Beware lest you say in your heart, 'My power and the might of my hand have gotten me this wealth.'

Deuteronomy 8: 17 RSV

You shall remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth; that he may confirm his covenant which he swore to your fathers, as at this day.

Deuteronomy 8: 18 RSV

And if you forget the LORD your God and go after other gods and serve them and worship them, I solemnly warn you this day that you shall surely perish.

Deuteronomy 8: 19 RSV

Like the nations that the LORD makes to perish before you, so shall you perish, because you would not obey the voice of the LORD your God.

Deuteronomy 8: 20 RSV

If there is among you a poor man, one of your brethren...you shall not harden your heart or shut your hand against your poor brother, but you shall open your hand to him, and lend him sufficient for his need... Deuteronomy 15: 7-8 RSV

You shall give to him freely, and your heart shall not be grudging when you give to him; because for this the LORD your God will bless you in all your work and in all that you undertake.

Deuteronomy 15: 10 RSV

For the poor will never cease out of the land; therefore I command you, You shall open wide your hand to your brother, to the needy and to the poor, in the land.

Deuteronomy 15: 11 RSV

"[E]very man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the LORD your God which he has given you." Deuteronomy 16: 17 RSV

"Go back to your homes with much wealth, and with very many cattle, with silver, gold, bronze, and iron, and with much clothing; divide the spoil of your enemies with your brethren."

Joshua 22: 8 RSV

I will extol thee, O LORD, for thou hast drawn me up, and hast not let my foes rejoice over me. Psalms 30: 1 RSV

O LORD my God, I cried to thee for help, and thou hast healed me. Psalms 30: 2 RSV O LORD, thou hast brought up my soul from Sheol, restored me to life from among those gone down to the Pit. Psalms 30: 3 RSV

Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints, and give thanks to his holy name. Psalms 30: 4 RSV

By thy favor, O LORD, thou hadst established me as a strong mountain; thou didst hide thy face, I was dismayed. Psalms 30: 7 RSV

Vindicate me, O LORD, my God, according to thy righteousness; and let them not rejoice over me!

Psalms 35: 24 RSV

Let them be put to shame and confusion altogether who rejoice at my calamity! Let them be clothed with shame and dishonor who magnify themselves against me! Psalms 35: 26 RSV

Let those who desire my vindication shout for joy and be glad, and say evermore, "Great is the LORD, who delights in the welfare of his servant!" Psalms 35: 27 RSV

Blessed is he who considers the poor! The LORD delivers him in the day of trouble; the LORD protects him and keeps him alive; he is called blessed in the land; thou dost not give him up to the will of his enemies. Psalms 41: 1-2 RSV

Thou art my King and my God, who ordainest victories for Jacob.

Through thee we push down our foes; through thy name we tread down our assailants.

Psalms 44: 4-5 RSV

For not in my bow do I trust, nor can my sword save me.

But thou hast saved us from our foes, and hast put to confusion those who hate us. Psalms 44: 6-7 RSV

In God we have boasted continually, and we will give thanks to thy name for ever. [Selah]

Psalms 44: 8 RSV

Why should I fear in times of trouble, when the iniquity of my persecutors surrounds me, men who trust in their wealth and boast of the abundance of their riches? Psalms 49: 5-6 RSV

Truly no man can ransom himself, or give to God the price of his life, for the ransom of his life is costly, and can never suffice, that he should continue to live on for ever, and never see the Pit.

Psalms 49: 7-8 RSV

...even the wise die, the fool and the stupid alike must perish and leave their wealth to others.

Psalms 49: 10 RSV

Man cannot abide in his pomp, he is like the beasts that perish.

Psalms 49: 12 RSV

But God will ransom my soul from the power of Sheol, for he will receive me. [Selah]

Psalms 49: 15 RSV

Be not afraid when one becomes rich, when the glory of his house increases. For when he dies he will carry nothing away; his glory will not go down after him. Psalms 49: 16-17 RSV Praise the LORD. Blessed is the man who fears the LORD, who greatly delights in his commandments!

His descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.

Psalms 112: 1-2 RSV

Light rises in the darkness for the upright; the LORD is gracious, merciful, and righteous.

Psalms 112: 4 RSV

It is well with the man who deals generously and lends, who conducts his affairs with justice.

For the righteous will never be moved; he will be remembered for ever.

Psalms 112: 5-6 RSV

This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day which the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Psalms 118: 23-24 RSV

Save us, we beseech thee, O LORD! O LORD, we beseech thee, give us success! Psalms 118: 25 RSV

Blessed be he who enters in the name of the LORD! We bless you from the house of the LORD.

Psalms 118: 26 RSV

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem! "May they prosper who love you!

Peace be within your walls, and security within your towers!"

Psalms 122: 6-7 RSV

For my brethren and companions' sake I will say, "Peace be within you!" For the sake of the house of the LORD our God, I will seek your good. Psalms 122: 8-9 RSV

Honor the LORD with your substance and with the first fruits of all your produce; then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine. Proverbs 3: 9-10 RSV

Treasures gained by wickedness do not profit, but righteousness delivers from death. Proverbs 10: 2 RSV

A slack hand causes poverty, but the hand of the diligent makes rich. Proverbs 10: 4 RSV

A good man leaves an inheritance to his children's children, but the sinner's wealth is laid up for the righteous. Proverbs 13: 22 RSV

Better is the poor that walketh in his integrity, than he that is perverse in his lips, and is a fool. Proverbs 19: 1 RSV

He who gives to the poor will not want, but he who hides his eyes will get many a curse. Proverbs 28: 27 RSV

He who is kind to the poor lends to the LORD, and he will repay him for his deed. Proverbs 19: 17 RSV

The blessing of the LORD makes rich, and he adds no sorrow with it. Proverbs 10: 22 RSV Wealth brings many new friends, but a poor man is deserted by his friend. Proverbs 19: 4 RSV

The getting of treasures by a lying tongue is a fleeting vapor and a snare of death. Proverbs 21: 6 RSV

The rich rules over the poor, and the borrower is the slave of the lender. Proverbs 22: 7 RSV

Better is a poor man who walks in his integrity than a rich man who is perverse in his ways.

Proverbs 28: 6 RSV

A faithful man will abound with blessings, but he who hastens to be rich will not go unpunished.

Proverbs 28: 20 RSV

A miserly man hastens after wealth, and does not know that want will come upon him.

Proverbs 28: 22 RSV

He who tills his land will have plenty of bread, but he who follows worthless pursuits will have plenty of poverty.

Proverbs 28: 19 RSV

And on that day a great panic from the LORD shall fall on them, so that each will lay hold on the hand of his fellow, and the hand of the one will be raised against the hand of the other...

Zechariah 14: 13 RSV

Bring the full tithes into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house; and thereby put me to the test, says the LORD of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you an overflowing blessing.

Malachi 3: 10 RSV

"Beware of practicing your piety before men in order to be seen by them; for then you will have no reward from your Father who is in heaven."

Matthew 6: 1 RSV

"[W]hen you give alms, sound no trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may be praised by men. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward." Matthew 6: 2 RSV

"But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your alms may be in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you."

Matthew 6: 3-4 RSV

Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven...for where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Matthew 6: 19-21 ASB

Jesus said to him, "If you want to be perfect, go, sell what you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me."

Matthew 19: 21 RSV

Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour. "For it will be as when a man going on a journey called his servants and entrusted to them his property; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away.

He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them; and he made five talents more. So also, he who had the two talents made two talents more. But he who had received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his master's money.

Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them. And he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five talents more, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me five talents; here I have made five talents more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a little, I will set you over much; enter into the joy of your master.'

And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me two talents; here I have made two talents more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a little, I will set you over much; enter into the joy of your master.'

He also who had received the one talent came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not winnow; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master answered him, 'You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sowed, and gather where I have not winnowed? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have received what was my own with interest.

So take the talent from him, and give it to him who has the ten talents. For to every one who has will more be given, and he will have abundance; but from him who has not, even what he has will be taken away. And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness; there men will weep and gnash their teeth.'

Matthew 25: 13-30 ASB

He answered and said to them, "He who has two tunics, let him give to him who has none; and he who has food, let him do likewise."

Luke 3: 11 RSV

"Judge not, and you will not be judged; condemn not, and you will not be condemned; forgive, and you will be forgiven;

Luke 6: 37 RSV

[G]ive, and it will be given to you; good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

Luke 6: 38 RSV

"But rather give alms of such things as you have; then indeed all things are clean to you."

Luke 11: 41 RSV

"Sell what you have and give alms; provide yourselves money bags which do not grow old, a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches nor moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

Luke 12: 33-34 RSV

Then He said to them, "Beware, and be on your guard against every form of greed; for not even when one has an abundance does his life consist of his possessions." Luke 12: 15 ASB

"I have shown you in every way, by laboring like this, that you must support the weak. And remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.""

Acts 20: 35 RSV

Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another; not lagging in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord; rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer; distributing to the needs of the saints, given to hospitality. Romans 12: 10-13 RSV

Stay away from the love of money; be satisfied with what you have. For God has said, "I will never fail you. I will never forsake you."

Hebrews 13: 5 TLB

And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing.

Corinthians I 13: 3 RSV

On the first day of the week let each one of you lay something aside, storing up as he may prosper, that there be no collections when I come.

Corinthians I 16: 2 RSV

The point is this: he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Corinthians II 9: 6 RSV

Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. Corinthians II 9: 7 RSV

Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his hands, so that he may be able to give to those in need.

Ephesians 4: 28 RSV

There is great gain in godliness with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world; but if we have food and clothing, with these we shall be content.

Timothy I 6: 6-8 RSV

But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and hurtful desires that plunge men into ruin and destruction.

Timothy I 6: 9 RSV

For the love of money is the root of all evils; it is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced their hearts with many pangs. Timothy I 6: 10 RSV

But if any one has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him?

John I 3: 17 RSV

Little children, let us not love in word or speech but in deed and in truth. John I 3: 18 RSV

You say, 'I am rich. I have everything I want. I don't need a thing!' And you don't realize that you are wretched and miserable and poor and blind and naked.

Revelation 3: 17 TLB