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## Proverbs 14.

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### Topics.

- This chapter is full of a variety of various Proverbs.

**FOR INFORMATION:** concerning people, places and the meaning of words see the title: "Map Locations and People of the Bible," and the title: "Bible Dictionary" on Website Menu.

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**INTRODUCTION:** Proverbs is a collection of Israelite wisdom literature, that has multiple authors, but most of it is attributed to King Solomon. Chapter one to nine gives readers a framework for understanding the rest of the book. The central concern of the book of Proverbs is practical wisdom for living. We are told that the beginning and essence of wisdom is the fear of the LORD (Prov. 1:7) (Prov. 9:10). It contrasts the benefits of seeking wisdom and the pitfalls of living a foolish life. While the wicked stumble in deep darkness (Prov. 4:19), the path of the righteous is like the light of dawn, which shines brighter and brighter until full day ((Prov. 4:18). Individual proverbs date from between the tenth and sixth centuries B.C.

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**Kings and angels:** the title king is often used throughout the book of Proverbs, it comes from the Hebrew word (*malak*) which can refer to the following four things: -

1. A royal king ascending to the throne of royalty and reigning from it.
2. A male sovereign (i.e., a man or boy who rules as a monarch over an independent state.
3. The chief, or the principal leader or ruler of a group (secular or religious).
4. A messenger or ambassador, especially of God, (i.e. an angel, a king, a prophet, a priest or a teacher).
5. The best, the strongest and the wisest of all.

It is interesting to notice in the first verse of proverbs (Prov. 1:1) the word king comes from the Hebrew word (*malak*) and the first mention of an angel in the Bible also comes from the Hebrew word (*malak*) (Gen. 16:7). This means when the title king is used in the book of Proverbs it carries the idea of a wise king that does good unless the context implies otherwise. For further information concerning angels see the title: "Angels," (ON WEBSITE MENU).

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## Proverbs 14

Proverbs 14:1 ----- <sup>1</sup>The wisest of women builds her house, but folly with her own hands tears it down.

Even though the wisest woman establishes her home, she can also bring it to ruin if she is foolish (this would be especially true of adultery).

Proverbs 14:2 ----- <sup>2</sup>Whoever walks in uprightness fears the LORD, but he who is devious in his ways despises him.

Doing what is good and right shows that a person fears the LORD, while deception and lies evidences that a person gives no thought toward God. The reason a person is told to fear the LORD is because all humans have sinned and will one-day be judged by God. This fear should motivate all of us to seek God and his eternal salvation and forgiveness. This is why the Bible says the fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom it motivates a person to seek God and His forgiveness.

The apostle John in his letter wrote: -

- If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. <sup>9</sup>If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. <sup>10</sup>If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. (1 John 1:8-10).

The fear of the LORD has the following two aspects: -

- 1 An eternal aspect: wisdom teaches that mankind is separated from God because of sin and without God a person has no hope of eternal life and will be judged accordingly. The fear of the LORD in this context is wisdom because it motivates a person to seek God and eternal life.
- 2 An aspect for the present moment: the fear of the LORD in the present moment motivates mankind to obey God's Ten Commandments which are all designed to protect the innocent from harm, physically, financially, sexually, verbally, emotionally and spiritually (summed up they mean do-good and not harm). The fear of the LORD in this context is also wisdom because if everyone feared the LORD humanity would live in harmony with each other. Sadly there is very little fear of the LORD in the world today and so we see rampant rebellion, violence, crime and wars in most countries.

**The fear of God and Christians:** those in Christ look to the bloodstained cross of Calvary and understand and experience Christ's great love and God's grace in their hearts and minds and no longer act from fear, but from love in the same way that a man in love with a woman does not do things to please her from fear, but from the love dwelling in his heart. Likewise it is with the faithful who belong to the Lords global family.

- The fear of the LORD is hatred of evil. Pride and arrogance and the way of evil and perverted speech I hate. (Prov. 8:13).

**The fear of the LORD is hatred toward evil:** it is having a hatred of everything that harms another human physically, financially, sexually, emotionally, or spiritually and having a strong dislike of anything that destroys the planet and of whoever treats animals cruelly. God loves humans He gave his only Son to die for them. The fear of the LORD is about protecting and preventing harm to other humans. It is about knowing we are all going to stand before Him one day and give an account of our actions. The fear of this judgment should motivate a person to do the right thing and treat others with respect.

Proverbs 14:3 ----- <sup>3</sup>By the mouth of a fool comes a rod for his back, but the lips of the wise will preserve them.

Deceptive speech lies, gossip and malicious rumours will not only bring future trouble to those who speak and spread them, but they will also find themselves short of good and faithful friends. While those who speak words of comfort and encouragement and do not say anything that will bring harm to another person will not only be protected from harm by what they say, but will also be surrounded with many good and faithful friends.

Proverbs 14:4 ----- <sup>4</sup>Where there are no oxen, the manger is clean, but abundant crops come by the strength of the ox.

The ox in this context is a symbol of those who work and labour, the proverb is saying that a warehouse will stay beautifully clean if there are no workers in it, but without the workers there is no business and no profit so a dirty warehouse is better than a beautifully clean one.

Proverbs 14:5 ----- <sup>5</sup>A faithful witness does not lie, but a false witness breathes out lies.

Whether it is an enemy, a friend or a family member on trial a faithful person will tell the truth, but a dishonest person will lie if it is in their interest and to their advantage to do so.

Proverbs 14:6 ----- <sup>6</sup>A scoffer seeks wisdom in vain, but knowledge is easy for a man of understanding.

A person who scoffs and mocks does not listen to others or take correction so they do not have the right attitude needed to find knowledge or increase in wisdom, but a person who loves knowledge and understanding accepts correction and listens to others so finding knowledge and increasing in wisdom comes easy and naturally to them.

Proverbs 14:7 ----- <sup>7</sup>Leave the presence of a fool, for there you do not meet words of knowledge.

**Fool:** comes from the Hebrew word (k<sup>e</sup>ciyl) and means stupid, silly, unwise and foolish. Keeping company with such people is not wise and even more it is a waste of time, because they have nothing that will benefit a person's life physically, financially, emotionally, mentally or spiritually.

Proverbs 14:8 ----- <sup>8</sup>The wisdom of the prudent is to discern his way, but the folly of fools is deceiving.

Those who have good sense in dealing with practical matters will carefully discern what is not obvious or made clear and consider the future consequences and act accordingly. While those who are foolish will be deceived by what appears to be a good thing, because they do not take the time or have the ability to discern and consider the matter.

Proverbs 14:9 ----- <sup>9</sup>Fools mock at the guilt offering, but the upright enjoy acceptance.

A foolish person has no repentance and thinks it stupid to make correct or pay recompense for something they have done wrong. Whereas those who love what is right accept their guilt and do whatever they can to make the wrong right and when the offence is healed they have tremendous joy.

Proverbs 14:10 ----- <sup>10</sup>The heart knows its own bitterness, and no stranger shares its joy.

**Bitter:** comes from the Hebrew word (mar and marar) and means angry and resentful over something mentally painful or very hard to accept, it is manifested in a person by the outward expression of intense hostility. There is a joy (however twisted) and comfort in the heart of the person who has such intense anger and bitterness toward someone who has offended or hurt them. This is mostly because the bitterness is like a band aid over a painful cut it covers the hurt. Those who do not know the victims circumstances can never understand the comfort and joy the person feels by hanging onto their bitterness.

Proverbs 14:11 ----- <sup>11</sup>The house of the wicked will be destroyed, but the tent of the upright will flourish.

The family that loves wrong doing will have strife, contention, division and ruin, whereas a family that loves what is good and right will grow in love and stay together in peaceful unity.

Proverbs 14:12 ----- <sup>12</sup>There is a way that seems right to a man, but its end is the way to death.

This is very common, how often do people think that what they are doing at the time is the correct thing, but later find out that it was not. A good example of this is a married man or women that has an affair which seems right to them at the time because of their romantic attraction, but greatly regret it when they are caught.

Proverbs 14:13 ----- <sup>13</sup>Even in laughter the heart may ache, and the end of joy may be grief.

May people hide their hurt by appearing as the life of the party and the fun person, but underneath their outward joy there can be enormous pain. Even today psychologist say that most young people who commit suicide appear to their friends to be an abundantly happy person this is why Solomon is able to say at the end of what appears to be joy there may be lying under it great grief.

Proverbs 14:14 ----- <sup>14</sup>The backslider in heart will be filled with the fruit of his ways, and a good man will be filled with the fruit of his ways (shall be satisfied from himself in KJV).

**Backslider:** comes from the Hebrew word (*cuwg*) it means to flinch and hesitate it carries the idea of avoiding to think about something; avoiding to confront something and avoiding to, do something. Figuratively it means to retreat and turn away from ones faith and apostatize. Those who depart from God and from the way of his precepts with all their heart, implies doing it with deliberation, with free choice, and with full purpose and not to the slips of human frailty otherwise every sin would be counted as departing or turning away from God. There can be backsliding when the heart does not wickedly depart from God; but is through the infirmity and weakness of the flesh and the force of temptation; from this kind of backsliding the Lord's people are recovered and healed by his grace.

**The backslider's heart:** refers to those who make a deliberate conscious decision to forsake their faith and turn away from God and the Lord Jesus Christ and continue to live their life as they wish and according to their own sinful passions and desires. This type of apostasy begins in the heart and the mind and manifests itself outwardly in the life and the conversations of those who have chosen to live devoid of God.

Backsliding in the heart is not about leaving a church, there are many reasons faithful believers may leave a church, some of which maybe, priests abusing children, ministers having affairs or robbing the church treasury, false doctrine or they have been mentally, emotionally or spiritually hurt by a fellow member and the list goes on. A faithful brother or sister may leave a church, but it does not always mean they are forsaking their faith or the Lord Jesus Christ, in fact for some to leave their church maybe the most spiritually healthy thing for them to do.

**They will be filled with the fruit of their own ways:** (v14) means that those who willingly and heartily choose to backslide may have the worldly rewards they seek given to them and they may delight in their sins and get to enjoy the worldly riches their heart seeks after, but it is all as pigs food because they will reap the full judgment and due punishment of their unbelief and their sins and the just recompense of condemnation they are bringing upon themselves accordingly. This is because it is a universal principal of life that deeds and works whether good or bad bring divine judgment or divine rewards accordingly upon those who do them.

**A good person will be filled with the fruit of their ways:** (v14) this means that the faithful will: -

- Not only be rewarded and blessed, but also have a warm sense of well-being through their whole body.
- Be satisfied with God's love, favour and grace that He daily showers upon them
- Enjoy God's love, grace and comfort that the world does not know of even in poverty and sickness.
- Be satisfied within from above by the love and grace that is in Christ.
- Truly say, "God is no longer without, but within by His Spirit and love.
- Be rewarded for their good deeds and good works (though not saved by them).
- Truly say, "All my possessions I carry with me," because I am set free from all dependence of seeking after worldly riches and external things to be satisfied.
- Be satisfied by the indwelling joy that they have an eternal inheritance in glory.

The testimony of those who have the Spirit, the word and the love and grace of Christ dwelling within them is that even though it may strip them slice after slice from possessions, reputation, friends and limb from limb as long as there is body enough left to keep life in them they can say, "While others look to the spoiling of their possessions for their joy and comfort, I abound having all dwelling within me." The testimony of the faithful in Christ is, "I live, yet not I, but Christ lives in me," because they have within them the secret of peace and the source of satisfaction and know that the riches they have dwelling within far surpass the outward riches of the world.

Since we are all descents of our earthly father Adam we have all inherited a corrupted fallen body filled with sinful aberrations and dysfunctions and for this reason there will always be imperfection which will forever prevent us attaining to the perfect standard God's law demands and the perfect Holiness of God. Those without the Spirit of God dwelling within them hang onto externals for their joy and without them they are left wanting because they do not have the life of God or His love and grace dwelling within them.

Those filled with the Spirit of God are deeply aware and very consciousness of their faults and because of this there is a deep joy in knowing they are saved not by their self-effort, deeds and religious works, but by Christ's righteousness and God's grace.

It is from this heartfelt joy and love that they are forever aspiring onwards in their faith and upwards to improve their lives. Those that set their heart and mind to live this way are fully confident that their aspiration to glory is not a vain dream, because they know that they are made righteous by Christ's righteousness and not their own.

They live by faith with the following attitude of the apostle Paul: -

- Not that I have already obtained this (become like Christ) or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. <sup>13</sup>Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, <sup>14</sup>I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. (Philip. 3:12-14).

God longs to save everyone, but He will never force Himself upon anyone who does not want Him in their lives. This is a good principal for all who proclaim the Gospel and share their faith we are not called to impose our faith upon the lost, but invite them to accept His plan of salvation, His love, His grace and His Kingdom.

Those who know the love that Christ has loved them with love him with a love that motives them to do all they can to live their lives in a manner that honours God and brings a good testimony to the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and the Christian faith. God's love makes it possible to live outward lives of obedience, which, imperfect as it maybe, has great reward. Christ makes it possible for us to attain to the yet unattainable (i.e., a perfect life of Holiness).

Jesus said: -

- Whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty forever. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life. (John 4:14)

Only when we can say: -

- It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. (Gal. 2:20)

Will Jesus words, "The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life," be true of us in its fullest sense.

There is a temptation for the poor to covert the prosperity and indulgent lifestyle of the rich and wealthy and feel that those who have such riches must be filled with abundant joy, peace and contentment within, but we cannot know outwardly what stings their conscience or torments their inward thoughts and consumes their inward passions, especially since many who do have abundant wealth to live a lifestyle most of us could only dream of not only go from marriage to marriage and trust in drugs to find a high in life, but even commit suicide.

Proverbs 14:15 ----- <sup>15</sup>The simple believes everything, but the prudent gives thought to his steps.

A foolish person believes what people say, but those that have good sense carefully consider what is being said and the likely consequences (good or bad) then they act accordingly.

Proverbs 14:16 ----- <sup>16</sup>One who is wise is cautious and turns away from evil, but a fool is reckless and careless.

A person who has wisdom is careful not go near anything that could bring them into trouble or ruin, but the foolish take no thought about possible undesirable consequences that could lead to their harm or even their ruin.

Proverbs 14:17 ----- <sup>17</sup>A man of quick temper acts foolishly, and a man of evil devices is hated.

Those who are overtaken by anger do foolish and destructive things. Many years ago I worked with a boss who one day got so angry in the kitchen of his home he punched his fist into one of the cupboard doors and broke his wrist. Those who do evil refers to those who for their own gain and advantage deliberately do harm and hurt to others (physically, financially, verbally, sexually, mentally, emotionally and spiritually). These types of people are naturally hated by the general population.

Proverbs 14:18 ----- <sup>18</sup>The simple inherit folly, but the prudent are crowned with knowledge.

Trouble follows those that are foolish, because they act without considering the consequences and ramifications of their actions in the present moment and how they will affect them in the future.

**Prudent:** comes from the Hebrew word (<sup>ʿ</sup>aruwm) and in the context of this verse carries the idea of being practical, sensible, wise, careful, cautious and far-sighted. In contrast to the foolish the prudent carefully consider how their actions will affect them in the present moment and consider the future ramifications and consequences and act accordingly this is why the wise are spoken of as being crowned with knowledge.

Proverbs 14:19 ----- <sup>19</sup>The evil bow down before the good, the wicked at the gates of the righteous.

Those that do wrong bow before those that do right in the sense that they are subject to the law and are judged and punished by people who do the right thing. This of course will be especially true on that glorious day when the Lord Jesus Christ returns in glory as, King of kings and Lord of lords (Rev. 19:11-16) to rule and reign from God's Holy City Jerusalem (on Mount Zion God's Holy Mountain) to destroy the antichrist and his kingdom and establish God's Kingdom on earth during his glorious millennial reign.

The dead in Christ (Old and New Testament) and the faithful, who are alive, will be gathered together in the first resurrection (Rev. 20:4-6) to rule and reign as kings and priests with the Lord over those nations who are left outside the Holy City of God. Christ the King united with his people will not only bring peace to the Middle East, but establish God's Kingdom of steadfast love, faithfulness, righteousness, joy and peace throughout the world and the glory of God will cover the earth.

Jesus will do justice to the poor and oppressed, he will be a faithful and compassionate King forever. He will not allow anyone to strike terror in the earth or use lies and deception to enlarge their own wealth and power. The land will abundantly produce and even the deserts will flourish. The animals will not feed on each other and even the lamb will be able to lie down with the wolf and everyone will eat of their own hands because all that they plant will produce. All nations the LORD has made will come and worship before the Lord Jesus Christ. They will glorify God's Name, proclaiming the LORD is great and does wondrous things and that He alone is God. The book of Revelation states: -

- Jesus Christ, the faithful witness who loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood has made us kings and priests unto God and his Father is coming in glory and every eye shall see him, and they also who pierced him and all kindreds of the earth (Revelation 1:5-7).

In Revelation chapter five we are told that: -

- Christ was slain, and by his blood he redeemed a people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation and made them a kingdom and priests to God and they shall reign on the earth (Revelation 5:9-10).

The great prophet Isaiah wrote: -

- They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea. (Isaiah 11:9).

At the end of this glorious Kingdom age God descends to earth on a Great White Throne the sea, death and hades (the grave) give up the dead. They stand before God and are judged according to what is written in certain heavenly books according to what they have done. Death and those counted unworthy are cast into the Lake of Fire a symbol of eternal destruction (i.e., total extinction) (also called the, Second Death) (Rev. 20:11-15). Christ hands the Kingdom over to his heavenly Father and God is ALL in ALL and ETERNITY begins in all its fullness and majestic royal glory.

**For further information see titles: -**

- Kingdom of God (ON WEBSITE MENU).
- The Second Resurrection or Great White Throne Judgment.

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Proverbs 14:20 ----- <sup>20</sup>The poor is disliked even by his neighbour, but the rich has many friends.

A man or woman living in poverty has few friends, whereas the rich and wealthy have many. The following example shines a brilliant spotlight on this truth. When the rich hold a party multitudes attend, in contrast to this when the poor hold a party the number who attend are very easily counted. But a common testimony amongst the rich who have lost their wealth and luxury homes is that they also loose the majority of their so called friends.

Proverbs 14:21 ----- <sup>21</sup>Whoever despises his neighbour is a sinner, but blessed is he who is generous to the poor.

Exalting oneself above a person and looking down on them with a feeling of superiority and contempt is a gross sin before God and will be judged accordingly. In contrast to this everyone who has a heart of charity and gives to the poor God will bless now in this world with God's love, grace and favour and in the world to come eternal life and everlasting happiness in glory.

Proverbs 14:22 ----- <sup>22</sup>Do they not go astray who devise evil? Those who devise good meet steadfast love and faithfulness.

Everyone who plans and plots wrongdoing, will go astray and their end will be ruin in this life and the next, but those who plan to do-good to others will not only be rewarded with abundance of faithful and honest friends, but also with God's love, grace and favour.

Proverbs 14:23 ----- <sup>23</sup>In all toil there is profit, but mere talk tends only to poverty.

Talking about making money will not be of any benefit unless it is followed by hard work. Today it is common to hear young people say they are going to retire at forty, yet they continue to party and make no plans to actually bring it to pass, so all their speech is empty words since it matters not how much they may speak about it without a plan and hard work it will not come to pass.

Proverbs 14:24 ----- <sup>24</sup>The crown of the wise is their wealth, but the folly of fools brings folly.

Riches and wealth is a crown to the wise, whereas foolishness leads to poverty and even more foolishness and trouble and misery.

Proverbs 14:25 ----- <sup>25</sup>A truthful witness saves lives, but one who breathes out lies is deceitful.

In a courtroom a truthful witness saves the lives of the innocent, because they will not lie or give a false testimony to protect a guilty person because they are a family member or a friend and therefore the innocent are protected from the guilty person



who has the potential to do harm, whereas a liar will deceive if it is to their own gain and advantage or has the potential to save a family member or friend even though they are guilty.

Proverbs 14:26-27 --- <sup>26</sup>In the fear of the LORD one has strong confidence, and his children will have a refuge.  
<sup>27</sup>The fear of the LORD is a fountain of life, that one may turn away from the snares of death.

The fear of the LORD stops a person from doing wrong, and in this way the fear of the LORD protects a person from trouble and harm and because of this their children will dwell in safety. It is spoken of as a fountain of life because it turns people away from wrongdoing and motivates them to seek after God and eternal life. For further information concerning the fear of the LORD see the notes titled: "The Fear of the LORD" following (v2) (above).

Proverbs 14:28 ----- <sup>28</sup>In a multitude of people is the glory of a king, but without people a prince is ruined.

The glory of a king, ruler or leader is their followers, without followers the king, ruler or leader has not power or glory and is brought to ruin. This principal by extension also applies to the CEO of a company, his or her glory is their employees without employees they have no company.

Proverbs 14:29 ----- <sup>29</sup>Whoever is slow to anger has great understanding, but he who has a hasty temper exalts folly.

People who control their anger have great understanding, because they know that anger not only destroys and brings harm to others, but also brings great shame and emotional and mental hurt to themselves. In contrast to this those who have no control over their temper will increase in their foolishness, their destruction and their shame.

Proverbs 14:30 ----- <sup>30</sup>A tranquil heart gives life to the flesh, but envy makes the bones rot.

People who keep their minds and hearts free from coveting, envy and nervous anxiety, worry and stress will not only increase in their sense of mental peace, but will also increase in vitality and joy and add to their sense of well-being. In contrast to this those who covet and envy somebody else's success, good fortune, qualities, or possessions will be unhappy, depressed and add to the downward spiral of their health, because their deep craving for what others have and their resentment of those who do have what they crave will rob them from any sense of joy and peace.

Proverbs 14:31 ----- <sup>31</sup>Whoever oppresses a poor man insults his Maker, but he who is generous to the needy honors him.

**Oppress:** comes from the Hebrew word (*ʿashaq*) and literally means to press upon. It carries the idea of oppressing and defrauding the helpless and of taking something by deceit, defraud and violence (especially from the poor and helpless).

Oppressing the poor is the same as insulting God, but being generous to the less fortunate, the helpless and the poor honours Him, His character and His name.

Proverbs 14:32 ----- <sup>32</sup>The wicked is overthrown through his evil-doing, but the righteous finds refuge in his death.

Those that do wrong come to grief and ruin by their own hand (i.e., their own wicked behaviour). This verse also shines a light upon the truth that the wicked are bringing their own condemnation and judgment to the lake of fire upon themselves. Since those that are wicked bring harm, grief and hurt to the innocent the righteous rightly and naturally feel safe when they are destroyed.

Proverbs 14:33 ----- <sup>33</sup>Wisdom rests in the heart of a man of understanding, but it makes itself known even in the midst of fools.

The wisdom of a wise person makes itself known amongst fools by not joining in with their foolishness, wickedness, deceit, corruptions and deceptions.

Proverbs 14:34 ----- <sup>34</sup>Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people.

Surrounding nations will look up to a nation with respect that does what is good and right, but a nation full of wickedness and corruption is a disgrace to its people and will bring scorn and disdain from other nations (especially when they fail to improve and deal with it).

Proverbs 14:35 ----- <sup>35</sup>A servant who deals wisely has the king's favor, but his wrath falls on one who acts shamefully.

A servant who makes sensible decisions and good judgments will win the king's approval, but the wrath of the king will fall on whoever brings dishonor to his name by acting disgracefully, shamefully and scandalously.

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### **Nine Aspects of Wisdom.**

Wisdom embraces the following nine aspects: -

1. Having a clear thoughtful, rational, discerning, discriminating, sharp, and discreet mind.
2. Being cautious in character as opposed to being impulsive.
3. Being sensible and practical with the skills and talents that a person has.
4. Making choices that considers others and that will be fair and just.
5. Studying, reading and learning to acquire mental knowledge that helps in making right decisions for the present moment and for the future.
6. Being able to see the future danger of a decision, choice or action.
7. Having the ability to make good choices and decisions in the present moment that will end in the best result and a good outcome in the future.
8. Being able to perceive the end result or ramifications (good or bad) of the underlying message a speaker is teaching.
9. Wisdom will protect a person from making decisions and choices in the present moment that will lead to hurt or calamity in the future for themselves and for others.

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End.