**Wisdom is Better Than Riches**

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**Pro 16:16 (NKJV)** How much better to get wisdom than gold! And to get understanding is to be chosen rather than silver.

**Ecc 6:1 (NKJV)** There is an evil which I have seen under the sun, and it is common among men:

**Ecc 6:2 (NKJV)** A man to whom God has given riches and wealth and honor, so that he lacks nothing for himself of all he desires; yet God does not give him power to eat of it, but a foreigner consumes it. This is vanity, and it is an evil affliction.

**Exo 28:3 (NKJV)** So you shall speak to all who are gifted artisans, whom I have filled with the spirit of wisdom, that they may make Aaron’s garments, to consecrate him, that he may minister to Me as priest.

**Exo 31:3 (NKJV)** And I have filled him with the Spirit of God, in wisdom, in understanding, in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship,

**Job 12:12 (NKJV)** Wisdom is with aged men, And with length of days, understanding.

**Job 13:5 (NKJV)** Oh, that you would be silent, And it would be your wisdom!

**Pro 17:27 (NKJV)** He who has knowledge spares his words, And a man of understanding is of a calm spirit.

**H2820**
- Original: כָּשָׂח
- Transliteration: Chasak
- Phonetic: khaw-sak’
- Definition:
  1. to withhold, restrain, hold back, keep in check, refrain
  a. (Qal)
1. to withhold, keep back, keep for oneself, keep from, hold in check, refrain, spare, reserve
2. to restrain, check
b. (Niphal) to assuage, be spared
   - Origin: a primitive root
   - TWOT entry: 765
   - Part(s) of speech: Verb
   - Strong’s: A prim root; to restrain or (reflexively) refrain; by implication to refuse spare preserve; also (by interchange with H2821) to observe:
     - assuage X darken forbear hinder hold back keep (back) punish refrain reserve spare withhold.

**Psa 51:6 (NKJV)**  Behold, You desire truth in the inward parts, And in the hidden part You will make me to know wisdom.

**Jas 3:2 (NKJV)**  For we all stumble in many things. If anyone does not stumble in word, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle the whole body.

**Jas 3:3 (NKJV)**  Indeed, we put bits in horses' mouths that they may obey us, and we turn their whole body.

**Jas 3:4 (NKJV)**  Look also at ships: although they are so large and are driven by fierce winds, they are turned by a very small rudder wherever the pilot desires.

**Jas 3:5 (NKJV)**  Even so the tongue is a little member and boasts great things. See how great a forest a little fire kindles!

**Jas 3:6 (NKJV)**  And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity. The tongue is so set among our members that it defiles the whole body, and sets on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire by hell.

**Jas 3:7 (NKJV)**  For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and creature of the sea, is tamed and has been tamed by mankind.

**Jas 3:8 (NKJV)**  But no man can tame the tongue. It is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison.

**Jas 3:9 (NKJV)**  With it we bless our God and Father, and with it we curse men, who have been made in the similitude of God.

**Jas 3:10 (NKJV)**  Out of the same mouth proceed blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not to be so.

**Jas 3:11 (NKJV)**  Does a spring send forth fresh *water* and bitter from the same opening?
Jas 3:12 (NKJV) Can a fig tree, my brethren, bear olives, or a grapevine bear figs? Thus no spring yields both salt water and fresh.

Psa 111:10 (NKJV) The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; A good understanding have all those who do His commandments. His praise endures forever.

Pro 1:1 (NKJV) The proverbs of Solomon the son of David, king of Israel:
Pro 1:2 (NKJV) To know wisdom and instruction, To perceive the words of understanding,
Pro 1:3 (NKJV) To receive the instruction of wisdom, Justice, judgment, and equity;
Pro 1:4 (NKJV) To give prudence to the simple, To the young man knowledge and discretion—
Pro 1:5 (NKJV) A wise man will hear and increase learning, And a man of understanding will attain wise counsel,
Pro 1:6 (NKJV) To understand a proverb and an enigma, The words of the wise and their riddles.
Pro 1:7 (NKJV) The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge, But fools despise wisdom and instruction.

Jas 1:5 (NKJV) If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him.
Jas 1:6 (NKJV) But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind.

Pro 4:5 (NKJV) Get wisdom! Get understanding! Do not forget, nor turn away from the words of my mouth.
Pro 4:6 (NKJV) Do not forsake her, and she will preserve you; Love her, and she will keep you.
Pro 4:7 (NKJV) Wisdom is the principal thing; Therefore get wisdom. And in all your getting, get understanding.
Pro 4:8 (NKJV) Exalt her, and she will promote you; She will bring you honor, when you embrace her.
Pro 4:9 (NKJV) She will place on your head an ornament of grace; A crown of glory she will deliver to you."
Pro 4:10 (NKJV) Hear, my son, and receive my sayings, And the years of your life will be many.
**Pro 8:11 (NKJV)** For wisdom is better than rubies, And all the things one may desire cannot be compared with her.

**Pro 9:10 (NKJV)** "The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, And the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.

**Ecc 9:13 (NKJV)** This wisdom I have also seen under the sun, and it seemed great to me:

**Ecc 9:14 (NKJV)** There was a little city with few men in it; and a great king came against it, besieged it, and built great snares around it.

**Ecc 9:15 (NKJV)** Now there was found in it a poor wise man, and he by his wisdom delivered the city. Yet no one remembered that same poor man.

**Ecc 9:16 (NKJV)** Then I said: "Wisdom is better than strength. Nevertheless the poor man's wisdom is despised, And his words are not heard.

**Ecc 9:17 (NKJV)** Words of the wise, spoken quietly, should be heard Rather than the shout of a ruler of fools.

**Ecc 9:18 (NKJV)** Wisdom is better than weapons of war; But one sinner destroys much good."

**Gen 41:14 (NKJV)** Then Pharaoh sent and called Joseph, and they brought him quickly out of the dungeon; and he shaved, changed his clothing, and came to Pharaoh.

**Gen 41:15 (NKJV)** And Pharaoh said to Joseph, "I have had a dream, and there is no one who can interpret it. But I have heard it said of you that you can understand a dream, to interpret it."

**Gen 41:16 (NKJV)** So Joseph answered Pharaoh, saying, "It is not in me; God will give Pharaoh an answer of peace."

**Gen 41:37 (NKJV)** So the advice was good in the eyes of Pharaoh and in the eyes of all his servants.

**Gen 41:38 (NKJV)** And Pharaoh said to his servants, "Can we find such a one as this, a man in whom is the Spirit of God?"

**Gen 41:39 (NKJV)** Then Pharaoh said to Joseph, "Inasmuch as God has shown you all this, there is no one as discerning and wise as you.

**Gen 41:40 (NKJV)** You shall be over my house, and all my people shall be ruled according to your word; only in regard to the throne will I be greater than you."
Mat 6:31 (NKJV) "Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?'

Mat 6:32 (NKJV) For after all these things the Gentiles seek. For your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things.

Mat 6:33 (NKJV) But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.

Mat 23:11 (NKJV) But he who is greatest among you shall be your servant.

Mat 23:12 (NKJV) And whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.

Mat 5:5 (NKJV) Blessed are the meek, For they shall inherit the earth.

Gal 6:7 (NKJV) Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap.

Gal 6:8 (NKJV) For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life.

Gal 6:9 (NKJV) And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart.

Gal 6:10 (NKJV) Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith.

Luk 16:9 (NKJV) "And I say to you, make friends for yourselves by unrighteous mammon, that when you fail, they may receive you into an everlasting home.

Luk 16:10 (NKJV) He who is faithful in what is least is faithful also in much; and he who is unjust in what is least is unjust also in much.

Luk 16:11 (NKJV) Therefore if you have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will commit to your trust the true riches?

Luk 16:12 (NKJV) And if you have not been faithful in what is another man's, who will give you what is your own?

Luk 16:13 (NKJV) "No servant can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will be loyal to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon."
How do we make friends by the unrighteous mammon?

**Mat 5:38 (NKJV)** "You have heard that it was said, 'AN EYE FOR AN EYE AND A TOOTH FOR A TOOTH.'

**Mat 5:39 (NKJV)** But I tell you not to resist an evil person. But whoever slaps you on your right cheek, turn the other to him also.

**Mat 5:40 (NKJV)** If anyone wants to sue you and take away your tunic, let him have your cloak also.

**Mat 5:41 (NKJV)** And whoever compels you to go one mile, go with him two.

**Mat 5:42 (NKJV)** Give to him who asks you, and from him who wants to borrow from you do not turn away.

**Mat 10:7 (NKJV)** And as you go, preach, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.'

**Mat 10:8 (NKJV)** Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out demons. Freely you have received, freely give.

**Act 3:2 (NKJV)** And a certain man lame from his mother's womb was carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple which is called Beautiful, to ask alms from those who entered the temple;

**Act 3:3 (NKJV)** who, seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple, asked for alms.

**Act 3:4 (NKJV)** And fixing his eyes on him, with John, Peter said, "Look at us."

**Act 3:5 (NKJV)** So he gave them his attention, expecting to receive something from them.

**Act 3:6 (NKJV)** Then Peter said, "Silver and gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk."

**Act 3:7 (NKJV)** And he took him by the right hand and lifted him up, and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength.

**Act 3:8 (NKJV)** So he, leaping up, stood and walked and entered the temple with them—walking, leaping, and praising God.

**Act 3:9 (NKJV)** And all the people saw him walking and praising God.

**Act 3:10 (NKJV)** Then they knew that it was he who sat begging alms at the Beautiful Gate of the temple; and they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.
Jas 2:15 (NKJV) If a brother or sister is naked and destitute of daily food,
Jas 2:16 (NKJV) and one of you says to them, "Depart in peace, be
warmed and filled," but you do not give them the things which are needed
for the body, what does it profit?

2Co 9:6 (NKJV) But this I say: He who sows sparingly will also reap
sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully.
2Co 9:7 (NKJV) So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not
grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver.

1Ti 4:8 (NKJV) For bodily exercise profits a little, but godliness is
profitable for all things, having promise of the life that now is and of that
which is to come.

Isa 55:8 (NKJV) "For My thoughts are not your thoughts, Nor are your
ways My ways," says the LORD.
Isa 55:9 (NKJV) "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, So are My
ways higher than your ways, And My thoughts than your thoughts.

1Co 1:25 (NKJV) Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and
the weakness of God is stronger than men.
1Co 1:26 (NKJV) For you see your calling, brethren, that not many wise
according to the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called.
1Co 1:27 (NKJV) But God has chosen the foolish things of the world to put
to shame the wise, and God has chosen the weak things of the world to put
to shame the things which are mighty;
1Co 1:28 (NKJV) and the base things of the world and the things which
are despised God has chosen, and the things which are not, to bring to
nothing the things that are,
1Co 1:29 (NKJV) that no flesh should glory in His presence.
1Co 1:30 (NKJV) But of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us
wisdom from God—and righteousness and sanctification and redemption—
1Co 1:31 (NKJV) that, as it is written, "HE WHO GLORIES, LET HIM GLORY
IN THE LORD."

2Co 12:9 (NKJV) And He said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for My
strength is made perfect in weakness." Therefore most gladly I will rather
boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.
2Co 12:10 (NKJV) Therefore I take pleasure (G2106) in infirmities, in reproaches, in needs, in persecutions, in distresses, for Christ's sake. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

Mat 3:17 (NKJV) And suddenly a voice came from heaven, saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased (G2106)."

3Jn 1:2 (NKJV) Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in health, just as your soul prospers.

Pro 30:8 (NKJV) Remove falsehood and lies far from me; Give me neither poverty nor riches—Feed me with the food allotted to me;

Pro 30:9 (NKJV) Lest I be full and deny You, And say, "Who is the LORD?" Or lest I be poor and steal, And profane the name of my God.

Eph 3:20 (NKJV) Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us,