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1 Fret not thyself of evildoers, neither be thou envious against workers of iniquity. 2 For they shall soon be cut down like the grass, and wither as the green herb. 3 Trust in the Lord and do good, so shalt thou dwell in the land, and faithfully thou shalt be fed. 4 Delight thyself also in the Lord, and He shall give thee the desires of thine heart. 5 Commit thy way unto the Lord; Trust also in Him; and He shall bring it to pass.

6 And He shall bring forth thy righteousness as the Light, and thy judgment (justice) as the noon day. 7 Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for Him: fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, because of man who bringeth wicked devices (schemes) to pass. 8 Cease from anger, and forsake wrath: fret not thyself in any wise, to do evil. (it only causes harm) 9 For evildoers shall be destroyed: but those that wait upon the Lord, they shall inherit the earth. 10 For yet a little while, and the wicked shall not be: Yea, thou shalt look diligently for him, but you won't find him. 11 But the meek shall inherit the earth; and shall delight in the abundance of Peace. 12 The wicked plotteth against the just, and gnasheth upon him with his teeth. 13 The Lord shall laugh at him: for He seeth that his day is coming.

14 The wicked have drawn out the sword, and have bent their bow, to cast down the poor and needy, and to slay such as be of an upright conduct. 15 Their sword shall enter into their own heart, and their bows shall be broken. 16 A little that a righteous man hath is better than the riches of many wicked. 17 For the arms of the wicked shall be broken, but the Lord upholdeth the righteous. 18 The Lord knoweth the days of the upright, and their inheritance shall be forever. 19 They shall not be ashamed in the evil time: and in the days of famine they shall be satisfied. 20 But the wicked shall perish, and the enemies of the Lord

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shall be as the fat of lambs: they shall consume into smoke shall they consume away. 21 The wicked borroweth and payeth not again: but the righteous showeth mercy, and giveth. 22 For such as be blessed of Him shall inherit the earth and they that be cursed of Him shall be destroyed. 23 The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord: and he delighteth in his way. Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down: for the Lord upholdeth him with his hand. 25 I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor His seed begging bread. 26 He is ever merciful, and lendeth; and His children are blessed. 27 Depart from evil and do good; and dwell for evermore.

28 For the Lord loveth judgment (justice) and forsaketh not His saints; they are preserved for ever: but the seed of the wicked shall be cut off. 29 The righteous shall inherit the land, and dwell therein for ever. 30 The mouth of the righteous speaketh wisdom, and his tongue talketh of judgment (justice). 31 The law of his God is in his heart; none of his steps shall slide. 32 The wicked watcheth the righteous, and seeketh to slay him. 33 The Lord will not leave him in his hand, nor condemn him when he is judged. 34 Wait on the Lord, and keep His way, and He shall exalt thee to inherit the land: when the wicked are cut off, thou shalt see it. 35 I have seen the wicked in power, and spreading himself like a great bay tree. 36 Yet he passed away, and, lo, he was not: yea, I sought him, but he could not be found.

37 Mark the perfect (morally pious, gentle, sincere) man, and behold the upright: for the end of that man is Peace. 38 But the transgressors shall be destroyed together: the end of the wicked shall be cut off. 39 But the salvation of the righteous is of the Lord: he is their strength in the time of trouble. 40 And the Lord shall help them, and deliver them: He shall deliver them from the wicked, and save them, because they trust in Him! "For this God is our God for ever and ever: He will be our Guide even unto Death!" Psalm 48:14 "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart and lean not unto thine own understanding, In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths." Pr. 3:5-6

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