



[The ways of wisdom] are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace. She is a tree of life to those who lay hold of her; Those who hold her fast are called blessed.  
Proverbs 3:17-18

I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race,  
I have kept the faith. 2 Timothy 4:7

a time to be born, and a time to die;...  
Ecclesiastes 3:2

Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his  
saints. Psalm 116:15

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not  
as the world gives do I give to you.  
Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be  
afraid. John 14:27

... since we have been justified by faith, we have  
peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.  
Romans 5:1



- *Steadfast love*
- *Faithfulness*
- *Mercy*
- *Truth*
- *Kindness*
- *Loyalty*
- *Wisdom*
- *Understanding*
- *Sound judgment*
- *Discretion*

❖ Our relationship with God must be completely  
trusting and personal vv 5-7

❖ We can trust the Lord's wisdom because  
it is greater than ours. vv19-20

❖ We can trust the Lord to do what is best for  
us, not just what we like. vv 11-12

❖ When we know the Lord and we trust and  
obey Him, we are safe and secure. vv23-26

Do not call conspiracy all that this people calls conspiracy,  
and do not fear what they fear, nor be in dread.

- Isaiah 8:12

And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that  
you are not alarmed, for this must take place, but the end  
is not yet. - Matthew 24:6

Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up  
and raise your heads, because your redemption is  
drawing near. - Luke 21:28

### Biblical Interpretation: Discernment

Proverb = wise saying, general truth

*An apple a day keeps the doctor away.*

Promise (of God) = something God is sure to do.

*1John 1:9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and  
just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all  
unrighteousness.*

### Biblical Interpretation: Discernment

How does this interpretation correspond to the rest of  
this section?

*Blessed is the one who finds wisdom, and the one who gets  
understanding, for the gain from her is better than gain from  
silver and her profit better than gold. She is more precious than  
jewels, and nothing you desire can compare with her. -  
Proverbs 3:13-15*

As for the rich..., charge them not ... to set their  
hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God,...to  
do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous  
and ready to share, thus storing up treasure for  
themselves as a good foundation for the future, so  
that they may take hold of that which is truly life.

1 Timothy 6:17-18

Sell your possessions, and give to the needy.  
Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also. Luke 12:33-34

But if anyone 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? Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.  
1 John 3:17-18

...they delight in the law of the LORD, meditating on it day and night. They are like trees planted along the riverbank, bearing fruit each season. Their leaves never wither, and they prosper in all they do.



They are like worthless chaff, scattered by the wind. They will be condemned at the time of judgment. Sinners will have no place among the godly. ... the path of the wicked leads to destruction.





In all your ways  
acknowledge Him, and  
He will make straight  
your paths. ...you will  
walk on your way  
securely, and your foot  
will not stumble. -  
Proverbs 3:6, 23