

# Proverbs 3

Alte englische Darby-Übersetzung



**1** My son, forget not my teaching, and let thy heart observe my commandments; **2** for length of days, and years of life, and peace shall they add to thee. **3** Let not loving-kindness and truth forsake thee; bind them about thy neck, write them upon the tablet of thy heart: **4** and thou shalt find favour and good understanding in the sight of God and man. **5** Confide in Jehovah with all thy heart, and lean not unto thine own intelligence; **6** in all thy ways acknowledge him, and he will make plain thy paths.

**7** Be not wise in thine own eyes; fear Jehovah, and depart from evil: **8** it shall be health for thy navel, and moisture for thy bones. **9** Honour Jehovah with thy substance, and with the first-fruits of all thine increase; **10** so shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy vats shall overflow with new wine. **11** My son, despise not the instruction of Jehovah, neither be weary of his chastisement; **12** for whom Jehovah loveth he chasteneth, even as a father the son in whom he delighteth.

**13** Blessed is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth understanding. **14** For the gain thereof is better than the gain of silver, and her revenue than fine gold. **15** She is more precious than rubies; and all the things thou canst desire are not equal unto her. **16** Length of days is in her right hand; in her left hand riches and honour. **17** Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace. **18** She is a tree of life to them that lay hold upon her; and happy is he that retaineth her. **19** Jehovah by wisdom founded the earth; by understanding he established the heavens. **20** By his knowledge the deeps were broken up, and the skies drop down the dew.

**21** My son, let them not depart from thine eyes; keep sound wisdom and discretion: **22** so shall they be life unto thy soul, and grace unto thy neck. **23** Then shalt thou walk in thy way securely, and thy foot shall not stumble; **24** when thou liest down, thou shalt not be afraid, but thou shalt lie down and thy sleep shall be sweet. **25** Be not afraid of sudden fear, neither of the destruction of the wicked, when it cometh; **26** for Jehovah shall be thy confidence, and he will keep thy foot from being taken.

**27** Withhold not good from them to whom it is due, when it is in the power of thy hand to do it. **28** Say not unto thy neighbour, Go, and come again, and to-morrow I will give, when thou hast it by thee. **29** Devise not evil against thy neighbour, seeing he dwelleth securely by thee. **30** Strive not with a man without cause, if he have done thee no harm. **31** Envy not the man of violence, and choose none of his ways. **32** For the perverse is an abomination to Jehovah; but his secret is with the upright. **33** The curse of Jehovah is in the house of the wicked; but he blesseth the habitation of the righteous. **34** He indeed scorneth the scorers; but he giveth grace unto the lowly. **35** The wise shall inherit glory; but shame shall be the promotion of the foolish.