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## Chapter 7

English Interlinear

Reference: American Standard Version

1  
טוֹב [is] better  
שֵׁם a [good] name  
מִשְׁמָן than ointment  
טָוֵב precious  
וַיּוֹם and the day  
הַמָּוֶת of death  
מִיּוֹם than the day  
הַיָּלָדוֹ: of one's birth  
H3117 H4194 H3117 H8081 H8034 H3205

A good name is better than precious oil; and the day of death, than the day of one's birth.

2  
טוֹב Better  
לָלֶכֶת to go  
אֶל- to  
בֵּית- the house  
אָבֵל of mourning  
מָלַכְתָּ Than to go  
אֶל- to  
בֵּית the house  
מִשְׁתָּה of feasting  
בְּאֶשֶׁר for  
הוּא that [is]  
סוֹף the end  
כָּל- of all  
הָאָדָם men  
וְהַחַיִּי and the living  
יִתֵּן will take [it]  
אֶל- to  
לִבּוֹ heart  
H4960 H0413 H3212 H0060 H0413 H3212 H0120 H3605 H5490 H1931

It is better to go to the house of mourning than to go to the house of feasting: for that is the end of all men; and the living will lay it to his heart.

3  
טוֹב [is] better  
כָּעַס Sorrow  
מִשְׁחָק than laughter  
כִּי- for  
בְּרָעַ by sad  
פָּנִים a countenance  
יֵיטֵב is made better  
לֵב the heart  
H3190 H6440 H7455 H7814

Sorrow is better than laughter; for by the sadness of the countenance the heart is made glad.

4  
לֵב The heart  
חֲכָמִים of the wise  
בְּבֵית [is] in the house  
אָבֵל of mourning  
וְלֵב but the heart  
כְּסִילִים of fools  
בְּבֵית [is] in the house  
שְׂמֵחָה: of mirth  
H3684 H0060 H2450 H8057

The heart of the wise is in the house of mourning; but the heart of fools is in the house of mirth.

5  
טוֹב [it is] better  
לִשְׁמָע to hear  
נִעְרָת the rebuke  
חָכָם of the wise  
מֵאִישׁ Than for a man  
שָׁמַע to hear  
שִׁיר the song  
כְּסִילִים: of fools  
H3684 H8085 H0376 H2450 H1606 H8085

It is better to hear the rebuke of the wise, than for a man to hear the song of fools.

6  
כִּי For  
כְּקוֹל like the crackling  
חֲסִירִים of thorns  
תַּחַת under  
הַפֵּיר a pot  
כֵּן so  
שִׁחַק [is] the laughter  
הַכְּסִיל of the fool  
וְגַם- and also  
זֶה this [is]  
הַבֶּל: vanity  
H1571 H3684 H7814 H8478 H1892 H2088

For as the crackling of thorns under a pot, so is the laughter of the fool: this also is vanity.

7  
 כִּי הָעֹשֶׂק הַחֹלֵל יִהְיֶה כָּכֶם וַיֵּאָבֵד אֶת־ לֵב מִתְּנָה:  
 Surely oppression destroys reason a wise [man's] and debases the heart a bribe  
[H6233](#) [H2450](#) [H0006](#) [H0853](#) [H4979](#)

Surely extortion maketh the wise man foolish; and a bribe destroyeth the understanding.

8  
 טוֹב אַחֲרֵית דָּבָר מִרֵּאשִׁיתוֹ טוֹב אֶרֶץ־ רֹחַ מִגְּבוּה־  
 [is] better the end of a thing than its beginning [is] better spirit the high in  
[H0319](#) [H1697](#) [H7225](#) [H0750](#) [H7307](#) [H1362](#)

רוּחַ:  
 spirit  
[H7307](#)

Better is the end of a thing than the beginning thereof; and the patient in spirit is better than the proud in spirit.

9  
 אֵל־ תַּבְהִל בְּרוּחְךָ לִכְעוֹס כִּי כַעַס בְּחִיק כְּסִילִים יָנוּחַ:  
 Not do hasten in your spirit to be angry for anger in the bosom of fools rests  
[H0408](#) [H0926](#) [H7307](#) [H3707](#) [H2436](#) [H3684](#) [H5117](#)

Be not hasty in thy spirit to be angry; for anger resteth in the bosom of fools.

10  
 אֵל־ תֹּאמַר מָה הָיָה שְׁהַיָּמִים הָרִאשֹׁנִים הָיוּ טוֹבִים מֵאֵלֶּה כִּי לֹא  
 Not do say why were the days former were better than these for not  
[H0408](#) [H0559](#) [H4100](#) [H1961](#) [H3117](#) [H7223](#) [H1961](#) [H0428](#) [H3808](#)

מִחֲכָמָה שְׁאַלְתָּ עַל־ זֶה:  
 wisely you do inquire concerning this  
[H2451](#) [H7592](#) [H2088](#)

Say not thou, What is the cause that the former days were better than these? for thou dost not inquire wisely concerning this.

11  
 טוֹבָה חֲכָמָה עִם־ נַחֲלָה וַיִּתֶּר לְרֹאֲיָ הַשֶּׁמֶשׁ:  
 [is] good Wisdom with an inheritance and profitable to those who see the sun  
[H2451](#) [H5159](#) [H3148](#) [H7200](#) [H8121](#)

Wisdom is as good as an inheritance; yea, more excellent is it for them that see the sun.

12  
 כִּי בָצַל חֲכָמָה בָּצַל חֲכָמָה כֶּסֶף וַיִּתְּרוֹ יְדֵעַת  
 For [is] a defense wisdom [is] a defense [as] money but the excellency of knowledge [is]  
[H6738](#) [H2451](#) [H6738](#) [H3701](#) [H3504](#) [H1847](#)

חֲכָמָה תַּחֲיָה בְּעֹלֶיהָ:  
 [that] wisdom gives life to those who have it  
[H2451](#) [H2421](#) [H1167](#)

For wisdom is a defence, even as money is a defence; but the excellency of knowledge is, that wisdom preserveth the life of him that hath it.

13  
 רְאֵה אֶת־ מַעֲשֵׂה הָאֱלֹהִים כִּי מִי יוּכַל לְתַקֵּן אֶת־ אֲשֶׁר  
 Consider the work of God for who can make straight what  
[H7200](#) [H0853](#) [H4639](#) [H0430](#) [H4310](#) [H3201](#) [H8626](#) [H0853](#)

עָוִיתוֹ:  
 He has made crooked  
[H5791](#)

Consider the work of God: for who can make that straight, which he hath made crooked?

14 בְּיוֹם בְּטוֹבָה הִיְהִי בְּטוֹב וּבְיוֹם רָעָה רְאֵה נָם אֶת־  
in the day of prosperity be joyful but in the day of adversity surely consider  
H3117 H1961 H3117 H0853 H1571 H7200

זֶה לְעִמָּת־זֶה וְהָאֱלֹהִים עָשָׂה עַל־רֵכֶת שְׁלֹא  
this [one] as well as this [one] God has appointed to the end so that nothing  
H2088 H5980 H2088 H0430 H1700 H3808

יִמָּצֵא אָדָם אַחֲרָיו מִאֲוִימָה:  
can find out man [that will come] after him nothing  
H4672 H0120 H3972

In the day of prosperity be joyful, and in the day of adversity consider; yea, God hath made the one side by side with the other, to the end that man should not find out anything that shall be after him.

15 אֶת־הַכֹּל רָאִיתִי בַיָּמִי הַבָּלִי יֵשׁ צְדִיק אֲבָד  
- Everything I have seen in days of my vanity there is a just [man] who perishes  
H0853 H3605 H7200 H3117 H1892 H3426 H6662 H0006

בְּצִדְקוֹ וַיֵּשׁ רָשָׁע מִאֲרִיךְ בְּרָעָתוֹ:  
in his righteousness and there is a wicked [man] who prolongs [life] in his wickedness  
H6664 H3426 H7563 H0748

All this have I seen in my days of vanity: there is a righteous man that perisheth in his righteousness, and there is a wicked man that longeth his life in his evil-doing.

16 אַל־תְּהִי צְדִיק הַרְבֵּה וְאֵל־תִּתְחַכֵּם יוֹתֵר לָמָּה תִּשְׁמָד  
Not do be righteous overly nor be wise overly why should you destroy yourself  
H0408 H1961 H6662 H0408 H4100 H3148 H2449 H4100 H8074

Be not righteous overmuch; neither make thyself overwise: why shouldst thou destroy thyself?

17 אַל־תִּרְשָׁע הַרְבֵּה וְאֵל־תְּהִי סָכָל לָמָּה תָּמוּת בְּלֹא עֵתְךָ:  
not do be wicked overly nor be foolish why should you die before your time  
H0408 H7561 H0408 H1961 H5530 H4100 H4191 H3808 H6256

Be not overmuch wicked, neither be thou foolish: why shouldst thou die before thy time?

18 טוֹב אֲשֶׁר תִּאָּחַז בָּזֶה וְגַם־מִזֶּה אַל־תִּנָּח תִּהְיֶה אֶת־יָדְךָ  
[it is] good that you grasp this and also from this [one] not remove - your hand  
H0270 H2088 H1571 H0408 H2088 H0853 H3240 H3027

כִּי־יִרָא אֱלֹהִים יֵצֵא אֶת־כָּלָם:  
for he who fears God will escape with them all  
H3373 H0430 H0853 H3318 H3605

It is good that thou shouldst take hold of this; yea, also from that withdraw not thy hand: for he that feareth God shall come forth from them all.

19 הַחֲכָמָה תַּעֲזֹ לְחָכָם מִעֲשָׂרָה שְׁלִיטִים אֲשֶׁר הֵיוּ בְּעִיר:  
Wisdom strengthens the wise more than ten rulers that are in a city  
H2451 H5810 H2450 H6235 H7989 H1961

Wisdom is a strength to the wise man more than ten rulers that are in a city.

20 כִּי־אָדָם אֵין צְדִיק בָּאָרֶץ אֲשֶׁר יַעֲשֶׂה טוֹב וְלֹא יַחֲטָא:  
For a man [there is] not just on earth who does good and not does sin  
H0120 H0369 H6662 H0776 H3808 H2398

Surely there is not a righteous man upon earth, that doeth good, and sinneth not.

21  
 גַּם לְכֹל־אֲשֶׁר יִדְבְּרוּ אֵל־תִּתֵּן לְבָבְךָ אֲשֶׁר הִדְבָּרִים  
 Also everything words that people say not  
[H1571](#) [H3605](#) [H1697](#) [H1696](#) [H0408](#) [H5414](#) [H3808](#)  
 תִּשְׁמַע אֶת־עַבְדְּךָ מִקְלָלְךָ  
 you hear - your servant cursing you  
[H8085](#) [H0853](#) [H5650](#) [H7043](#)

Also take not heed unto all words that are spoken, lest thou hear thy servant curse thee;

22  
 כִּי גַם־פַּעַמִּים רַבּוֹת יָדָע לְבָבְךָ אֲשֶׁר גַּם־אֵתְּךָ (אֲתָהּ)  
 For also times many times has known your own heart that even you  
[H1571](#) [H6471](#) [H3045](#) [H1931](#) [H7350](#)  
 קָלַלְתָּ אֲחֵרִים:  
 have cursed others  
[H7043](#) [H0312](#)

for oftentimes also thine own heart knoweth that thou thyself likewise hast cursed others.

23  
 כָּל־זֶה בַּחֲכָמָה אָמַרְתִּי בַּחֲכָמָה אֶחְכְּמָה וְהָיָא רְחוֹקָה מִמֶּנִּי:  
 All this by wisdom I said by wisdom I will be wise but it [was] far from me  
[H3605](#) [H2090](#) [H5254](#) [H2451](#) [H0559](#) [H2449](#) [H1931](#) [H7350](#)

All this have I proved in wisdom: I said, I will be wise; but it was far from me.

24  
 רְחוֹק מִה־שֶּׁהִיא וְעֵמֶק עֵמֶק מִי יִמְצְאוּהָ:  
 Far off [As for] what is and exceedingly deep who can find it out  
[H7350](#) [H4100](#) [H1961](#) [H6013](#) [H4310](#) [H4672](#)

That which is, is far off and exceeding deep; who can find it out?

25  
 סְבוּתִי אָנִי וְלִבִּי לָדַעַת וְלִתּוֹר וּבִקֵּשׁ חֲכָמָה  
 I applied and my heart to know and to search and to seek out wisdom  
[H5437](#) [H0589](#) [H3045](#) [H8446](#) [H1245](#) [H2451](#)  
 וְחִשְׁבֹּן וְלָדַעַת רָשָׁע לְכֹסֶל וְהַסְכְּלוֹת  
 and the reason [of things] and to know the wickedness of folly and Even of foolishness  
[H2808](#) [H3045](#) [H7562](#) [H3689](#)  
 הוֹלָלוֹת:  
 [and] madness  
[H1947](#)

I turned about, and my heart was set to know and to search out, and to seek wisdom and the reason of things, and to know that wickedness is folly, and that foolishness is madness.

26  
 וּמוֹצָא אָנִי מֶרַם מִמָּוֶת אֶת־הָאִשָּׁה אֲשֶׁר־הִיא מִצּוֹדִים וַחֲרָמִים  
 And find I more bitter than death - the woman whose whose is snares and nets  
[H4672](#) [H0589](#) [H4751](#) [H4194](#) [H0853](#) [H0802](#) [H1931](#)

לִבָּהּ אֲסוּרִים יָדֶיהָ טוֹב לְפָנַי הָאֱלֹהִים יִמְלֹט מִמֶּנָּה  
 heart [are] bonds Whose hands He who pleases - God shall escape from her  
[H0612](#) [H3027](#) [H6440](#) [H0430](#) [H4422](#)

וְחַוֵּטָא יִלְכָּד בָּהּ:  
 but the sinner shall be trapped by her  
[H2398](#) [H3920](#)

And I find more bitter than death the woman whose heart is snares and nets, and whose hands are bands: whoso pleaseth God shall escape from her; but the sinner shall be taken by her.

לֹאֶחֶת	אֶחָת	קִהֵּלַת	אָמְרָהּ	מָצָאתִי	זֶה	רְאֵה	27
to the [other] one	[Adding] one [thing]	the Teacher	says	I have found	this [that]	Here is	
<a href="#">H0259</a>	<a href="#">H0259</a>	<a href="#">H6953</a>	<a href="#">H0559</a>	<a href="#">H4672</a>	<a href="#">H2088</a>	<a href="#">H7200</a>	
					חֲשֹׁבוֹן:	לְמַצֹּא	
					the reason	to find out	
					<a href="#">H2808</a>	<a href="#">H4672</a>	

Behold, this have I found, saith the Preacher, laying one thing to another, to find out the account;

מֵאֶלֶף	אֶחָד	אָדָם	מָצָאתִי	וְלֹא	נַפְשִׁי	בִּקְשָׁה	עוֹד־	אֲשֶׁר	28
among a thousand	one	man	I find	but cannot	my soul	seeks	still	which	
<a href="#">H0505</a>	<a href="#">H0259</a>	<a href="#">H0120</a>	<a href="#">H4672</a>	<a href="#">H3808</a>	<a href="#">H5315</a>	<a href="#">H1245</a>	<a href="#">H5750</a>		
			מָצָאתִי:	לֹא	אֵלֶּה	בְּכָל־	וְאִשָּׁה	מָצָאתִי	
			I have found	not	these	among all	but a woman	I have found	
			<a href="#">H4672</a>	<a href="#">H3808</a>	<a href="#">H0428</a>	<a href="#">H3605</a>	<a href="#">H0802</a>	<a href="#">H4672</a>	

which my soul still seeketh, but I have not found: one man among a thousand have I found; but a woman among all those have I not found.

וְהֵמָּה	יָשָׁר	הָאָדָם	אֶת־	הָאֱלֹהִים	עָשָׂה	אֲשֶׁר	מָצָאתִי	זֶה	רְאֵה־	לְבַד־	29
but they	upright	man	-	God	made	that	I have found	this	Truly	Only	
<a href="#">H1992</a>	<a href="#">H3477</a>	<a href="#">H0120</a>	<a href="#">H0853</a>	<a href="#">H0430</a>			<a href="#">H4672</a>	<a href="#">H2088</a>	<a href="#">H7200</a>	<a href="#">H0905</a>	
							רַבִּים:	חֲשֹׁבוֹת	בִּקְשׁוּ		
							many	schemes	have sought out		
								<a href="#">H2810</a>	<a href="#">H1245</a>		

Behold, this only have I found: that God made man upright; but they have sought out many inventions.