

PROVERBS PROJECT: CONFLICT & STRIFE

Proverbs 10:12

¹² Hatred stirs up conflict,
but love covers over all wrongs.

Proverbs 12:16

¹⁶ Fools show their annoyance at once,
but the prudent overlook an insult.

Proverbs 12:20

²⁰ Deceit is in the hearts of those who plot evil,
but those who promote peace have joy.

Proverbs 13:10

¹⁰ Where there is strife, there is pride,
but wisdom is found in those who take advice.

Proverbs 15:18

¹⁸ A hot-tempered person stirs up conflict,
but the one who is patient calms a quarrel.

Proverbs 16:28

²⁸ A perverse person stirs up conflict,
and a gossip separates close friends.

Proverbs 17:1

¹ Better a dry crust with peace and quiet
than a house full of feasting, with strife.

Proverbs 17:9

⁹ Whoever would foster love covers over an offense,
but whoever repeats the matter separates close friends.

Proverbs 17:13-14

¹³ Evil will never leave the house
of one who pays back evil for good.
¹⁴ Starting a quarrel is like breaching a dam;
so drop the matter before a dispute breaks out.

Proverbs 17:19

¹⁹ Whoever loves a quarrel loves sin;
whoever builds a high gate invites destruction.

Proverbs 18:6

⁶ The lips of fools bring them strife,
and their mouths invite a beating.

Proverbs 18:17-19

¹⁷ In a lawsuit the first to speak seems right,
until someone comes forward and cross-examines.
¹⁸ Casting the lot settles disputes
and keeps strong opponents apart.
¹⁹ A brother wronged is more unyielding than a fortified city;
disputes are like the barred gates of a citadel.

Proverbs 19:11

¹¹ A person's wisdom yields patience;
it is to one's glory to overlook an offense.

Proverbs 20:3

³ It is to one's honor to avoid strife,
but every fool is quick to quarrel.

Proverbs 20:22

²² Do not say, "I'll pay you back for this wrong!"
Wait for the LORD, and he will avenge you.

Proverbs 22:10

¹⁰ Drive out the mocker, and out goes strife;
quarrels and insults are ended.

Proverbs 23:29-30

²⁹ Who has woe? Who has sorrow?
Who has strife? Who has complaints?
Who has needless bruises? Who has bloodshot eyes?
³⁰ Those who linger over wine,
who go to sample bowls of mixed wine.

Proverbs 24:28-29

²⁸ Do not testify against your neighbor without cause—
would you use your lips to mislead?
²⁹ Do not say, "I'll do to them as they have done to me;
I'll pay them back for what they did."

Proverbs 25:7c-10

- ^{7c} What you have seen with your eyes
⁸ do not bring hastily to court,
for what will you do in the end
if your neighbor puts you to shame?
⁹ If you take your neighbor to court,
do not betray another's confidence,
¹⁰ or the one who hears it may shame you
and the charge against you will stand.

Proverbs 25:21-22

- ²¹ If your enemy is hungry, give him food to eat;
if he is thirsty, give him water to drink.
²² In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head,
and the LORD will reward you.

Proverbs 26:17

- ¹⁷ Like one who grabs a stray dog by the ears
is someone who rushes into a quarrel not their own.

Proverbs 26:20-21

- ²⁰ Without wood a fire goes out;
without a gossip a quarrel dies down.
²¹ As charcoal to embers and as wood to fire,
so is a quarrelsome person for kindling strife.

Proverbs 30:33

- ³³ For as churning cream produces butter,
and as twisting the nose produces blood,
so stirring up anger produces strife.

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