

Proverbs 4

Alte englische Darby-Übersetzung



1 Hear, ye children, the instruction of a father, and attend to know intelligence; **2** for I give you good doctrine: forsake ye not my law. **3** For I was a son unto my father, tender and an only one in the sight of my mother. **4** And he taught me, and said unto me, Let thy heart retain my words; keep my commandments and live. **5** Get wisdom, get intelligence: forget it not; neither decline from the words of my mouth. **6** Forsake her not, and she shall keep thee; love her, and she shall preserve thee. **7** The beginning of wisdom is , Get wisdom; and with all thy getting get intelligence. **8** Exalt her, and she shall promote thee; she shall bring thee to honour when thou dost embrace her. **9** She shall give to thy head a garland of grace; a crown of glory will she bestow upon thee. **10** Hear, my son, and receive my sayings, and the years of thy life shall be multiplied. **11** I will teach thee in the way of wisdom, I will lead thee in paths of uprightness. **12** When thou goest, thy steps shall not be straitened; and when thou runnest, thou shalt not stumble. **13** Take fast hold of instruction, let her not go: keep her, for she is thy life.

14 Enter not into the path of the wicked, and go not in the way of evil men : **15** avoid it, pass not by it; turn from it, and pass away. **16** For they sleep not except they have done mischief, and their sleep is taken away unless they have caused some to fall. **17** For they eat the bread of wickedness, and drink the wine of violence. **18** But the path of the righteous is as the shining light, going on and brightening until the day be fully come. **19** The way of the wicked is as darkness: they know not at what they stumble.

20 My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings. **21** Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thy heart. **22** For they are life unto those that find them, and health to all their flesh. **23** Keep thy heart more than anything that is guarded; for out of it are the issues of life. **24** Put away from thee perverseness of mouth, and corrupt lips put far from thee. **25** Let thine eyes look right on, and let thine eyelids look straight before thee. **26** Ponder the path of thy feet, and let all thy ways be well-ordered. **27** Turn not to the right hand nor to the left; remove thy foot from evil.