Chapter 15

foft answer breaketh anger: and a hard word rayseth vp furie.

Meeknes.

The tongue of the wife adorneth knowlege: the mouth of fooles boyleth forth follie.

Difcretion.

 3 In euerie place the eies of our Lord behold the good and the euil.

Gods omnifcience.

⁴ A peaceable tongue is a tree of life: but that which is immoderate, shal breake the fpirite.

Calmnes of fpeach.

⁵ A foole fcorneth the discipline of his father: but he that regardeth reprehensions, shal become more prudent. Loue to be corrected.

In abundant inftice there is greatest force: but the cogitations of the impious shal be rooted out.

Defire to fulfil al iuftice.

⁶ The house of the iust is very much strength: and in the fruites of the impious is pertubation.

Diligence in teaching others.

⁷ The lippes of the wife shal fow knowlege: the hart of fooles shal be vnlike.

Puritie of hart.

8 The victimes of the impious are abominable to our Lord: the vowes of the iuft are acceptable.
9 The way of the impious is abomination to our

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10 The doctrine is euil of them that forfake the

Lerne of good men.

¹¹ Hel, and perdition are before our Lord: how much more the hartes of the children of men?

way of life: he that hateth reprehensions shal dye.

Al fecretes knowen to God.

 $^{12}\,$ The peftilent man loueth not him that rebuke th him: nor goeth to the wife. Harken to good admonitions.

 13 A glad hart cheereth the face: in penfifnes of minde the fpirit is caft downe.

A cheerful hart is defirous to lerne.

¹⁴ The hart of the wife feeketh doctrine: and the mouth of fooles is fed with vnskilfulnes.

A quiet mind.

 $^{15}\,$ Al the dayes of the poore are euil: a fecure minde is as it were a continual feaft.

Contentment with fufficien-

16 Better is a litle with the feare of our Lord, then great treafures and vnfatiable.

17 It is better to be called to be be with charities

cie.

¹⁷ It is better to be called to herbes with charitie: then to a fatted calfe with hatred.

¹⁸ An angrie man ftirreth brawles: he that is pa- Patience. tient appealeth those that are raised.

¹⁹ The way of the flothful is as an hedge of thornes: Diligence. the way of the iuft is without offence.

²⁰ A wife fonne maketh the father ioyful: and the Honour of parfoolish man defpifeth his mother.

Honour of parents.

 21 Follie is ioy to a foole: and the wifeman di- Difcretion. recteth his fteppes.

²² Cogitations are diffipated where there is no counfelDefire to liue but where manie counfellers are, they are confirmed. wel.

²³ A man reioyceth in the fentence of his mouth: Counfel in and a word in due time is beft.

²⁴ The path of life aboue the lerned, that he may decline from the loweft hel.

²⁵ Our Lord wil deftroy the house of the proude: and wil make fure the borders of the widow.

²⁶ Euil cogitations are an abomination to our Lord: and pure fpeach most beautiful shal be confirmed of him.

 27 He that purfueth a uarice difturbeth his houfe: but he that hateth giftes shal liue.

By mercie and faith finnes are purged: and by the feare of our Lord euerie one declineth from euil.

 $^{28}\,$ The minde of the iuft meditateth obedience: the mouth of the impious redoundeth with euils.

Our Lord is far from the impious: and he wil heare the prayers of the iuft.
The light of the eies reioyceth the foule: a good

name fatteth the bones. 31 The eare that heareth the reprehensions of life,

shal abide in the middes of the wife.

³² He that rejecteth discipline, despiseth his soule: but he that yeldeth to reprehensions, is a possession of the hart.

33 The feare of our Lord, the discipline of wisdom: Humilitie. and humilitie goeth before glorie.

To him that is wel trained in

good workes, heauen gates are open. Honeft thoughts and wordes.

A liberal mind.

Mercie and iuftice.

Obedience.

God affifteth the iuft.

VVordes of edification.

Loue of difcipline.

Admonition.