

Chapter 26

- A**s snow in the summer, and rayne in the haruest: fo is glorie vndecent for a foole. Aduance not the vicious.
- A**s a birde flying to other places, & a sparow going whither he list: fo a curse vttered in vaine shal light vpon some man. Patience in false flander.
- A** whippe for a horse, and a snaffle for an asse, and a rod on the back of the vnwife. Chaftifment.
- A**nswer not a foole according to his follie, lest thou be made like to him. Answer a foole wisely:
- A**nswer a foole according to his follie, lest he seme to himselfe to be wise. detecting his follie.
- L**ame of feete, and drinking iniquitie, he that fendeth wordes by a foolish messenger. Place fitte men in office:
- A**s a lame man hath fayre legges in vaine: fo a parable is vndecent in the mouth of fooles. vnwise men in authoritie:
- A**s he that casteth a stone into the heape of Mercurie: fo he that geueth honour to the vnwife. vertuous in honour:
- A**s if a thorne should grow in the hand of the drunkard: fo a parable in the mouth of fooles. and lerned to teach.
- I**udgement determineth causes: and he that putteth a foole to silence, appeaseth angers. Make fooles to kepe silence.
- 2. Pet. 2.* **A**s a dog that returneth to his vomite, fo the vnwife that reiterateth his follie. Returne not to former finnes.
- H**ast thou sene a man seme to himselfe wife? the foole shal haue hope rather then he. Humble opinion of thyself.
- T**he flothful sayth: A lyon is in the way, and a lyonesse in the iourneis: ¹⁴ as a doore turneth on his hinge fo the flothful in his bed. Fortitude.
- T**he flothful hideth his hand vnder the arme-hole, and is greeued if he turneth it to his mouth. Profitable laboures.
- T**he flothful seemeth wiser to himselfe, then fewen men speaking sentences. At least some good worke.
- A**s he that taketh a dog by the eares, fo he that puffeth by impatient, and medleth with an other mans brawle. Loue not idlenes.
- A**s he that taketh a dog by the eares, fo he that puffeth by impatient, and medleth with an other mans brawle. Intermedle not in brawles.
- A**s he is hurtful that shooteth arrowes, and speares vnto death: ¹⁹ fo a man, that hurteth his frende Vnfained frendshipe, especially in familiar acquaintance.

fraudulently: and when he is taken with al fayth: I did it in ieft.

20 When wood fayleth, the fire shal be extinguished: and the whifperer taken away, brawles ceafe.

Punifh
batemakers.

21 As coles to burning coles, and wood to fire, fo an angrie man rayfeth brawles.

Pacifie the
wrathful.

22 The wordes of the whifperer as it were fimple, and the fame come to the inmoft partes of the bellie.

Heare not
whifperers of
euil reportes.

23 As if thou wouldeft adorne an earthen veffel with droffie filuer, fo fwelling lippes ioyned with a moft wicked hart.

Flee from hyp-
ocrites.

24 An enemie is perceiued by his lippes, when he shal handle deceites in his hart.

VVhose flaterie
and foft fpeech
are fufpicious,
they wil fal at
laft into their
owne trappes,
truth preuail-
ing.

25 When he shal fubmit his voyce, beleue him not: becaufe there are feuen mifchiefes in his hart.

26 He that couereth hatred fraudulently, his malice shal be reuealed in the council.

27 He that diggeth a pit, shal fal into it: and he that rolleth a ftone, it shal returne to him.

28 A deceitful tongue loueth not truth, and a flipper mouth worketh ruines.