

## Chapter 10

*The benefites of wifdom are declared by examples, in Adam, 4. Noe, 5. Abraham, 6. Lot, 10. Iacob, 13. Ioseph, 15. and the people of Ifrael.*

The 3. part.  
The excel-  
lent effectes  
of wifdom &  
iuflice.

*Gen. 1. v. 27.* **S**he kept him, <sup>a)</sup>that was firft made of God father  
of the world, when he was created alone, <sup>2</sup> and  
*Gen. 4. v. 8.* she <sup>b)</sup>brought him out of his finne, and gaue  
him powre to conteyne al thinges. <sup>3</sup> After the vniuft  
departed in his anger from her, by the furie of brothers  
*Gen. 6.* manflaughter perished. <sup>4</sup> For whofe caufe, when water  
defstroyed the earth, wifdom healed it againe, gouvern-  
*Gen. 19.* ing the <sup>c)</sup>iuft by contemptible wood. <sup>5</sup> She euen in the  
confent of wickednes, when the nations had confederated  
themfelues, knewe <sup>d)</sup>the iuft, and preferued him without  
blame to God, and in his fonnes mercie kept the ftrong.  
<sup>6</sup> She deliuered <sup>e)</sup>the iuft, fleing from the impious that  
perished, when the fyre came downe vpon Pentapolis:  
<sup>7</sup> to whom for a witnes of their wickednes the defert land  
ftandeth fmoking, and <sup>f)</sup>trees haue fruites at vncertaine  
feafon, and the memorie of an incredulous foule a ftand-  
ing <sup>g)</sup>piller of falt. <sup>8</sup> For pretermittting wifdom they did  
not only flippe in this, that they were ignorant of good  
thinges, but they left alfo vnto men a memorie of their  
foolishnes, that in thofe thinges, in which they finned  
in, they could not be hid neither. <sup>9</sup> But wifdom hath  
*Gen. 28.* deliuered them, that obferue her from forowes. <sup>10</sup> And  
<sup>h)</sup>the iuft fleing his brothers wrath, she conducted by the  
right wayes, and shewed him the kingdom of God, and

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<sup>a</sup> Adam.

<sup>b</sup> By this it is certaine that our firft parēt Adam truly repented, and  
had remiffion of his finne.

<sup>c</sup> Noe.

<sup>d</sup> Abraham.

<sup>e</sup> Lot.

<sup>f</sup> In al trees about Sodom there is only fhew of fruite, which when  
it is touched falleth into duft.

<sup>g</sup> Lots wife an example of inconstancie.

<sup>h</sup> Iacob.

gaue him the knowlege of the holie, did honeft him in labours, and accomplished his labours. <sup>11</sup> In the fraude of the circumuenterers of him she was prefent with him, and made him honorable. <sup>12</sup> She kept him from the enemies, and from feducers she defended him, and from feducers she defended him, and gaue him a ftrong fight, that he might ouercome, and know that wifdom is mightier then al. <sup>13</sup> She forfooke not <sup>a)</sup>the iuft being fold, but deliuered him from finners: and she went downe with him into the pitte, <sup>14</sup> and in bands leaft him not, til she brought him the fcepter of a kingdome, and might againft them, that oppreffed him: and shewed them to be lyers, that fpotted him, and gaue him eternal glorie. <sup>15</sup> The <sup>b)</sup>iuft people, and feede without blame she deliuered from the nations that oppreffed them. <sup>16</sup> She entered into the foule of the feruant of God, and ftood againft dreadful kinges in wonders and fignes. <sup>17</sup> And she rendred to the iuft the hope of their labours, and conducted them in a meruelous way: and she was vnto them for a couer in the day, and for the light of ftarres by night: <sup>18</sup> and she tranfported them through the Redfea, and caried them ouer through a great water. <sup>19</sup> But their enemies she drowned in the fea, and from the depth of hel she brought them out. Therefore the iuft tooke the fpoyles of the impious, <sup>20</sup> and they fang thy holie name ô Lord, and thy victorious hand they praifed together: <sup>21</sup> becaufe wifdom hath opened the mouth of the dumme, and the tongues of infants she hath made eloquent.

*Gen. 37.*  
*Gen. 41.*  
*Exo. 1.*  
*Exo. 3.*  
*Exo. 14.*  
*Exo. 12.*  
*Exo. 15.*

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<sup>a</sup> Iofeph.

<sup>b</sup> Gods peculiar people.