

# Ecclesiastes 8

Interlinear Bible — King James Version

Hebrew text with English translation and Strong's numbers

**1** Who is as the wise man? and who knoweth the interpretation of a thing? a man's wisdom maketh his face to shine, and the boldness of his face shall be changed.

יְהִי	וְיִדְעַתְּ	וְיִדְעַתְּ	וְיִדְעַתְּ	וְיִדְעַתְּ	וְיִדְעַתְּ
H4310	H2450	H4310	H3045	H6592	H1697
Who is as the wise	man and who knoweth	the interpretation	of a thing		
חִכְמָתוֹ	אִתּוֹ	תִּפְאֶרֶתוֹ	פָּנָיו	וְעֹזוֹ	פָּנָיו
H2451	H120	H215	H6440	H5797	H6440
wisdom	a man's	to shine	maketh his face	and the boldness	maketh his face
יִשְׁתַּנָּה:					
H8132					
shall be changed					

**2** I counsel thee to keep the king's commandment, and that in regard of the oath of God.

אֲנִי	פִי	מֶלֶךְ	שְׁמִי	וְעַל	דִּבְרֵי
H589	H6310	H4428	H8104	H5921	H1700
commandment	the king's	I counsel thee to keep	and that in regard		
שְׁבוּעַת	אֱלֹהִים:				
H7621	H430				
of the oath	of God				

**3** Be not hasty to go out of his sight: stand not in an evil thing; for he doeth whatsoever pleaseth him.

בְּדָבָר רַע תִּעַמְדָּה אֶל תֵּלָהּ מִפְּנֵי ה' תִּבֶּה לֹא  
H408 Be not hasty H926 of his sight H6440 H1980 H408 stand H5975 thing H1697

יַעֲשֶׂה: יִחַפֵּץ אֲשֶׁר כָּל כִּי כֹעַ  
not in an evil H7451 H3588 H3605 H834 whatsoever pleaseth H2654 for he doeth H6213

**4** Where the word of a king is, there is power: and who may say unto him, What doest thou?

לֹא יֹאמַר וְיִי שְׁלֹט וְיִי מֶלֶךְ דְּבַר בְּאִשׁ רַע  
H834 Where the word H1697 of a king H4428 is there is power H7983 H4310 and who may say H559 H0

תַּעֲשֶׂה: מָה  
H4100 unto him What doest H6213

**5** Whoso keepeth the commandment shall feel no evil thing: and a wise man's heart discerneth both time and judgment.

וְעַתָּה כֹּעַ דְּבַר יֵד עַל אֶמְצָה שׁוֹמֵר  
Whoso keepeth H8104 the commandment H4687 H3808 discerneth H3045 thing H1697 no evil H7451 both time H6256

חֻכָּם: לֵב יֵד עַל וּמִשְׁפָּט  
and judgment H4941 discerneth H3045 heart H3820 and a wise man's H2450

**6** Because to every purpose there is time and judgment, therefore the misery of man is great upon him.

כִּי וּמִשְׁפָּט ט עֵת יֵשׁ      לְכָל כִּי י  
H3588 H3605      Because to every purpose      there is      time      and judgment      H3588  
H2656      H3426      H6256      H4941

עָלָיו: רַבָּה הַהָאָדָם      רַעַת  
therefore the misery      of man      is great      H5921  
H7451      H120      H7227

**7** For he knoweth not that which shall be: for who can tell him when it shall be?

יְהִי הַכָּאֵשׁ רַכִּי שְׂהִי הַמָּה יָדַע אֵינֶנּוּ כִּי  
H3588 H369      For he knoweth      H4100      H1961      H3588      H834      H1961  
H3045

לֹא: יֵגֵד יִמָּנֵה  
not that which shall be for who can tell      H0  
H4310      H5046

**8** There is no man that hath power over the spirit to retain the spirit; neither hath he power in the day of death: and there is no discharge in that war; neither shall wickedness deliver those that are given to it.

אֶת לְכָל וְאֶהָרֹם שֶׁלֹּא יֵט אָדָם אֵין  
H369      There is no man      that hath power      over the spirit      to retain      H853  
H120      H7989      H7307      H3607

וְאֵין הַמָּוֶת בִּיּוֹם שֶׁלֹּטוֹן      וְאֵין הָרֹם  
over the spirit      H369      neither hath he power      in the day      of death      H369  
H7307      H7983      H3117      H4194

כִּי שֶׁעַ יִמְלֵט וְלֹא בַּמִּלְחָמָה הַמִּשְׁלַחַת  
and there is no discharge      in that war      H3808      deliver      neither shall wickedness  
H4917      H4421      H4422      H7562

בְּעָלָיו: אֶת  
those that are given      H853  
H1167

**9** All this have I seen, and applied my heart unto every work that is done under the sun: there is a time wherein one man ruleth over another to his own hurt.

לְכָל לֵב י אֶת וְנָתַן וְרָא יָתִי זֶה כָּל אֶת  
H853 H3605 H2088 All this have I seen and applied H853 my heart H3605  
H5414 H3820  
 עַתָּה הֵשׁ מָשׁ תַּחַת נַעֲשֶׂה הָאֵשׁ רַמְעֵשׁ הָ  
unto every work H4639 H834 that is done H6213 H8478 under the sun H8121 there is a time H6256  
 לוֹ: לֵב ע בָּאֵד מִ בָּאֵד מִ שָׁלַט אֵשׁ ר  
H834 ruleth H7980 wherein one man H120 wherein one man H120 over another to his own hurt H7451 H0

**10** And so I saw the wicked buried, who had come and gone from the place of the holy, and they were forgotten in the city where they had so done: this is also vanity.

וּמִמָּקוֹם וְיָבֹאוּ קִבְרֵי יָם רָשָׁע יָם רָאִיתִי כֵן  
And so H3651 I saw H7200 the wicked H7563 buried H6912 who had come H935 from the place H4725  
 כֵּן אֵשׁ רַבַּע יִיר וְנִשְׁתַּכַּח וַיְהִי כֹה קָדוֹשׁ  
of the holy H6918 and gone H1980 and they were forgotten H7911 in the city H5892 H834 And so H3651  
 הַבָּל: זֶה גַם עָשׂוּ  
where they had so done H6213 H1571 H2088 this is also vanity H1892

**11** Because sentence against an evil work is not executed speedily, therefore the heart of the sons of men is fully set in them to do evil.

כָּעִ: מַעֲשֵׂה הַ פֶּתֶגְם לַעֲשׂוֹת אִין אֲשֶׁר  
H834 H369 in them to do Because sentence work against an evil  
H6213 H6599 H4639 H7451  
 הָאָדָם בְּנֵי לֵב מְלֵא כֵן עַל מְהִירָה  
speedily H4120 H5921 H3651 is fully set therefore the heart of the sons of men  
H4390 H3820 H1121 H120  
 כָּעִ: לַעֲשׂוֹת אִין בְּהֶם  
H0 in them to do against an evil  
H6213 H7451

**12** Though a sinner do evil an hundred times, and his days be prolonged, yet surely I know that it shall be well with them that fear God, which fear before him:

וּמֵאָרְיָהּ מֵאֵת כִּי עֲשֵׂה חֹטֵא אֲשֶׁר  
H834 Though a sinner do evil an hundred times and his days be prolonged  
H2398 H6213 H7451 H3967 H748  
 טוֹב יִהְיֶה אֲשֶׁר אֶנִּי יוֹדֵעַ גַּם כִּי לֹא  
H0 H3588 H1571 yet surely I know H589 H834 H1961 that it shall be well  
H3045 H2896  
 מִלְּפָנָיו: יִירָא וְ אֲשֶׁר הָאֱלֹהִים יִירָא  
which fear God H834 which fear before  
H3372 H430 H3372 H6440

**13** But it shall not be well with the wicked, neither shall he prolong his days, which are as a shadow; because he feareth not before God.

יֵאָר יוֹ      וְלֹא      לְרָשָׁע ע      יְהִי ה      לֹא      וְטוֹב  
 neither shall he prolong      with the wicked      H3808      H1961      H3808      H2896  
 But it shall not be well

מִלְפָּנֵי י      יִרֵּא      אֵינֶן נֹ      אֲשֶׁר ר      כִּצֵּל      ל      יָמֵי ים  
 not before      because he feareth      H3373      H369      H834      H6738      H3117  
 his days      which are as a shadow

אֱלֹהִים:  
 God  
 H430

**14** There is a vanity which is done upon the earth; that there be just men, unto whom it happeneth according to the work of the wicked; again, there be wicked men, to whom it happeneth according to the work of the righteous: I said that this also is vanity.

וְיֵשׁ      אֲשֶׁר ר      הָאָרֶץ      עַל      נַעֲשֶׂה ה      אֲשֶׁר ר      הַבֵּל:      וְיֵשׁ  
 There is      a vanity      H834      which is done      H5921      upon the earth      H834      There is  
 H3426      H1892      H6213      H776      H3426

כְּמַעֲשֵׂה ה      אֲלֵהֶם      שְׂמֵג יַע      אֲשֶׁר ר      הַצְדִּיק ים  
 according to the work      H413      men to whom it happeneth      H834      of the righteous  
 H4639      H5060      H6662

אֲלֵהֶם      שְׂמֵג יַע      רָשָׁע ים      וְיֵשׁ      רָשָׁע ים  
 H413      men to whom it happeneth      H7563      H3426      H7563  
 of the wicked      There is      of the wicked

הַבֵּל:      ז ה      שְׂגִם      אֲמִ רְתִי      הַצְדִּיק ים      כְּמַעֲשֵׂה ה  
 a vanity      H2088      that this also      H1571      H559      H6662      according to the work  
 H1892      H4639

**15** Then I commended mirth, because a man hath no better thing under the sun, than to eat, and to drink, and to be merry: for that shall abide with him of his labour the days of his life, which God giveth him under the sun.

ט וֹב      אֵין      אֶשֶׁר      הַשְּׂמֶמֶת      הָאֵת      אֲנִי      וְשִׁבְּ חֲתִי  
 Then I commended      H589      H853      mirth      H834      H369      hath no better thing      H2896  
 H7623

וְלִשְׁתּוֹת וְלֶאֱכֹל לֹא אֵם כִּי הַשְּׂמֶשׁ:      תַּחַת      לְאָדָם  
 because a man      H8478      him under the sun      H3588      H518      than to eat      and to drink      H8354  
 H120      H8121      H398

חַיֵּיו יָמָיו בְּעֵמֶל וְיִלְוֶנוּ וְהָיָא וְלִשְׂמֹחַ  
 and to be merry      H1931      for that shall abide      with him of his labour      the days      of his life      H2416  
 H8055      H3867      H5999      H3117

הַשְּׂמֶשׁ:      תַּחַת      הָאֵלֶּה יִם לֹא נָתַן אֶשֶׁר  
 H834      giveth      H0      which God      H8478      him under the sun      H8121  
 H5414      H430

**16** When I applied mine heart to know wisdom, and to see the business that is done upon the earth: (for also there is that neither day nor night seeth sleep with his eyes:)

רָאָה:      חֲכָמָה      לֵדַע      לְבִי      אֶת      נָתַתִּי      כְּאֶשֶׁר  
 H834      When I applied      H853      mine heart      to know      wisdom      and to see      H7200  
 H5414      H3820      H3045      H2451

גַּם כִּי הָאֶרֶץ      עַל      נַעֲשֵׂה      אֶשֶׁר      הָעֵנָן      אֶת  
 H853      the business      H834      that is done      H5921      upon the earth      H3588      H1571  
 H6045      H6213      H776

אֵין נֹו בְּעֵינָיו      שָׁנָה      וּבַלְּיָלָה      בַּיּוֹם  
 for also there is that neither day      nor night      sleep      with his eyes      H369  
 H3117      H3915      H8142      H5869

רָאָה:  
 and to see      H7200

**17** Then I beheld all the work of God, that a man cannot find out the work that is done under the sun: because though a man labour to seek it out, yet he shall not find it; yea further; though a wise man think to know it, yet shall he not be able to find it.

יֹכֵל לֹא כִי הָאֱלֹהִים הַמַּעֲשֶׂה כָּל אֶת וְרָאִיתִי  
**Then I beheld** H7200 H853 H3605 **all the work** H4639 **of God** H430 H3588 H3808 **cannot** H3201

תַּחַת נַעֲשֶׂה אֲשֶׁר הַמַּעֲשֶׂה אֶת לִמְצֹא: הָאָדָם  
**a man** H120 **find out** H4672 H853 **all the work** H4639 **because** H834 **that is done** H6213 H8478

וְלֹא לְבַקֵּשׁ הָאָדָם יַעֲמַל אֲשֶׁר לְבָשָׁל הָשָׁמֶשׁ  
**under the sun** H8121 **though** H7945 **because** H834 **labour** H5998 **a man** H120 **to seek it out** H1245 H3808

לֹא לָדַעַת הַחֲכָם יֵאמַר אִם וְגַם לִמְצֹא:  
**find out** H4672 H1571 H518 **man think** H559 **it yea further though a wise** H2450 **to know** H3045 H3808

לִמְצֹא: יֹכֵל לֹא  
**cannot** H3201 **find out** H4672