

Proverbs 12:7

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

The wicked are overthrown, and are not: but the house of the righteous shall stand.

Analysis

The wicked are overthrown and are not, but the house of the righteous shall stand. Wicked persons face overthrow resulting in non-existence - they're utterly destroyed. Righteous households stand securely. This verse promises both individual and familial outcomes - wickedness brings personal and household destruction; righteousness brings generational stability. The contrast is between temporary existence and enduring legacy.

Historical Context

Reflects covenant theology where faithfulness brought household blessing while rebellion brought household curse. Ancient Israel understood individual and family fortunes as interconnected.

Related Passages

Ephesians 2:8 — Salvation by grace through faith

Romans 10:9 — Confession and belief for salvation

Study Questions

1. Is your household being established on righteousness or headed toward overthrow through wickedness?

2. What legacy are you building - one that will stand or one destined for destruction?

Interlinear Text

רָשָׁע יְמֵינָם וְרָשָׁע יְמֵינָם
are overthrown The wicked H369
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וְבֵית יְמֵינָם וְבֵית יְמֵינָם
and are not but the house of the righteous H1004
H6662

יְמֵינָם
shall stand H5975

Additional Cross-References

Job 11:20 (Evil): But the eyes of the wicked shall fail, and they shall not escape, and their hope shall be as the giving up of the ghost.

Proverbs 11:21 (Righteousness): Though hand join in hand, the wicked shall not be unpunished: but the seed of the righteous shall be delivered.

Proverbs 10:25 (Righteousness): As the whirlwind passeth, so is the wicked no more: but the righteous is an everlasting foundation.

2 Samuel 7:26 (Parallel theme): And let thy name be magnified for ever, saying, The LORD of hosts is the God over Israel: and let the house of thy servant David be established before thee.

2 Samuel 7:16 (Parallel theme): And thine house and thy kingdom shall be established for ever before thee: thy throne shall be established for ever.

Esther 9:14 (Parallel theme): And the king commanded it so to be done: and the decree was given at Shushan; and they hanged Haman's ten sons.