

# Proverbs 25:1

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

These are also proverbs of Solomon, which the men of Hezekiah king of Judah copied out.

## Analysis

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These proverbs of Solomon were 'copied out' by Hezekiah's men. This verse reveals the canonical process—God's Word was preserved and compiled through human agency under divine providence. Hezekiah (716-686 BC) pursued spiritual reform (2 Kings 18:3-6), including recovering and preserving Scripture. Reformed theology affirms God's providential preservation of His Word through history. The Bible is both fully divine and fully human in its composition and transmission. This verse demonstrates care for Scripture's preservation.

## Historical Context

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Hezekiah's reign marked spiritual renewal after his father Ahaz's apostasy. Part of reformation involved recovering neglected Scripture, as when Josiah later rediscovered the Law (2 Kings 22:8). Scribes played crucial roles in preserving God's Word.

## Related Passages

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**James 2:17** — Faith and works

**Romans 1:17** — The righteous shall live by faith

## Study Questions

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1. How does this verse encourage confidence in Scripture's preservation and reliability?
2. What does it mean that God used human agents to compile and preserve His Word?
3. How should you value and preserve biblical truth in your generation?

## Interlinear Text

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H1571	H428	<b>These are also proverbs</b>	<b>of Solomon</b>	H834	<b>copied out</b>
		H4912	H8010		H6275
אֲנִשׁ י	חִזְקִיָּה	מֶלֶךְ	יְהוּדָה:		
H376	<b>of Hezekiah</b>	<b>king</b>	<b>of Judah</b>		
	H2396	H4428	H3063		

## Additional Cross-References

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**Proverbs 1:1** (Kingdom): The proverbs of Solomon the son of David, king of Israel;

**1 Kings 4:32** (Parallel theme): And he spake three thousand proverbs: and his songs were a thousand and five.