

**The Family  
Selected Proverbs**

**A foolish son is ruin to his father, and wife's quarreling is a continual dripping of rain.  
(19:13)**

**It is better to live in a corner of the housetop than in a house shared with a quarrelsome wife.  
(21:9)**

**It is better to live in a desert land than with a quarrelsome and fretful woman.  
(21:19)**

**Three things are too wonderful for me; four I do not understand: the way of an eagle in the sky, the way of a serpent on a rock, the way of a ship on the high seas, and the way of a man with a virgin.  
30:18-19**

**#1: Husbands and Wives: Keep Your Covenant and Treasure Your Companion (2:16-17)**

**So you will be delivered from forbidden woman, from the adulteress with her smooth words, who forsakes the companion of her youth and forgets the covenant with her God  
(2:16-17)**

***This is my beloved and this is my friend*  
Songs 5:16**

***An excellent wife is the **crown** of her husband, but she who brings shame is like **rottenness** in his bones.*  
Proverbs 12:4**

*House and wealth are inherited from fathers, but a prudent wife  
is from the Lord.*  
**Proverbs 19:14**

*He who finds a wife finds a good thing and obtains favor from  
the Lord.*  
**Proverbs 18:22**

**#2: Mothers and Fathers: Teach and Discipline Your Children  
Together (1:8; 6:20; 29:15)**

*The rod and reproof give wisdom, but a child left to himself  
brings shame to his mother.*  
**Prov 29:15**

*Hear my son, your father's instruction and forsake not your  
mother's teaching...*  
**Proverbs 1:8**

*My son, keep your father's commandment, and forsake not your  
mother's teaching*  
**Proverbs 6:20**

*Whoever spares the rod hates his son, but he who loves him is  
diligent to discipline him.*  
**(13:24)**

*Folly is bound up in the heart of a child, but the rod of discipline  
drives it far from him.*  
**(22:15)**

*Do not withhold discipline from a child; if you strike him with a  
rod, he will not die. If you strike him with a rod, you will save his  
soul from Sheol.*

(23:13-14)

*Discipline your son, and he will give you rest; he will give delight to your heart.*

(29:17)

**#3: Children: Bring Joy to Your Mother and Father by Living Wisely (10:1; 15:20; 29:3)**

*A wise son makes a glad father, but a foolish son is a sorrow to his mother*

Proverbs 10:1

*A wise son makes a glad father, but a foolish man despises his mother.*

Prov 15:20

*He who loves wisdom makes his father glad, but a companion of prostitutes squanders his wealth.*

Prov 29:3

**#4: Siblings: Be United and Be Supportive (17:17; 18:24)**

*A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for adversity.*

(17:17)

*A man of many companions may come to ruin, but there is friend who sticks closer than a brother.*

18:24

**#5: Concerning the Fatherless and the Widow: Love and Protect Them in God-Honoring Ways (15:25; 23:10-11)**

*The Lord tears down the house of the proud but maintains the widow's boundaries.*

Prov 15:25

*Do not move an ancient landmark or enter the fields of the fatherless, for their Redeemer is strong; he will plead their cause against you.*

**23:10-11**