

A Wise Person Keeps the Peace

Proverbs 10:12 (NKJV)

Hatred stirs up strife,
But love covers all sins.

Proverbs 11:12 (NKJV)

He who is devoid of wisdom despises his
neighbor,
But a man of understanding holds his peace.

Proverbs 12:16 (ESV)

The vexation of a fool is known at once,
but the prudent ignores an insult.

Proverbs 13:10 (NKJV)

By pride comes nothing but strife,
But with the well-advised is wisdom.

Proverbs 14:17 (NKJV)

A quick-tempered man acts foolishly,
And a man of wicked intentions is hated.

Proverbs 14:29 (NKJV)

He who is slow to wrath has great
understanding,
But he who is impulsive exalts folly.

Proverbs 15:1 (NKJV)

A soft answer turns away wrath,
But a harsh word stirs up anger.

Proverbs 15:18 (ESV)

A hot-tempered man stirs up strife,
but he who is slow to anger quiets
contention.

Proverbs 16:28 (NKJV)

A perverse man sows strife,
And a whisperer separates the best of
friends.

Proverbs 16:32 (NKJV)

He who is slow to anger is better than the
mighty,
And he who rules his spirit than he who
takes a city.

Proverbs 17:1 (NLT)

Better a dry crust eaten in peace
than a house filled with feasting—and
conflict.

Proverbs 17:5 (NKJV)

He who mocks the poor reproaches his
Maker;
He who is glad at calamity will not go
unpunished.

Proverbs 17:14 (NKJV)

The beginning of strife is like releasing water;
Therefore stop contention before a quarrel
starts.

Proverbs 17:19 (NKJV)

He who loves transgression loves strife,
And he who exalts his gate seeks
destruction.

Proverbs 18:6 (NKJV)

A fool's lips enter into contention,
And his mouth calls for blows.

Proverbs 18:19 (NKJV)

A brother offended is harder to win than a
strong city,
And contentions are like the bars of a castle.

Proverbs 19:11 (NKJV)

The discretion of a man makes him slow to
anger,
And his glory is to overlook a transgression.

Proverbs 19:19 (NKJV)

A man of great wrath will suffer punishment;
For if you rescue him, you will have to do it
again.

Proverbs 20:3 (NKJV)

It is honorable for a man to stop striving,
Since any fool can start a quarrel.

Proverbs 20:22 (NKJV)

Do not say, "I will recompense evil";
Wait for the Lord, and He will save you.

Proverbs 21:9; 25:24 (NKJV)

Better to dwell in a corner of a housetop,
Than in a house shared with a contentious
woman.

Proverbs 21:14 (NKJV)

A gift in secret pacifies anger,
And a bribe behind the back, strong wrath.

Proverbs 21:19 (NKJV)
Better to dwell in the wilderness,
Than with a contentious and angry woman.

Proverbs 22:10 (NKJV)
Cast out the scoffer, and contention will
leave;
Yes, strife and reproach will cease.

Proverbs 22:24-25 (NLT)
Don't befriend angry people
or associate with hot-tempered people,
or you will learn to be like them
and endanger your soul.

Proverbs 23:29-30 [abridged] (NKJV)
Who has contentions?
Those who linger long at the wine,
Those who go in search of mixed wine.

Proverbs 24:17-18 (NKJV)
Do not rejoice when your enemy falls,
And do not let your heart be glad when he
stumbles;
Lest the Lord see it, and it displease Him,
And He turn away His wrath from him.

Proverbs 24:29 (NKJV)
Do not say, "I will do to him just as he has
done to me;
I will render to the man according to his
work."

Proverbs 25:8-10 (NKJV)
Do not go hastily to court;
For what will you do in the end,
When your neighbor has put you to shame?
Debate your case with your neighbor,
And do not disclose the secret to another;
Lest he who hears it expose your shame,
And your reputation be ruined.

Proverbs 25:21-22 (NKJV)
If your enemy is hungry, give him bread to
eat;
And if he is thirsty, give him water to drink;
For so you will heap coals of fire on his head,
And the Lord will reward you.

Proverbs 25:28 (NKJV)
Whoever has no rule over his own spirit
Is like a city broken down, without walls.

Proverbs 26:21 (NKJV)
As charcoal is to burning coals, and wood to
fire,
So is a contentious man to kindle strife.

Proverbs 27:4 (NKJV)
Wrath is cruel and anger a torrent,
But who is able to stand before jealousy?

Proverbs 27:15-16 (NKJV)
A continual dripping on a very rainy day
And a contentious woman are alike;
Whoever restrains her restrains the wind,
And grasps oil with his right hand.

Proverbs 28:25 (ESV)
A greedy man stirs up strife,
but the one who trusts in the Lord will be
enriched.

Proverbs 29:9 (NKJV)
If a wise man contends with a foolish man,
Whether the fool rages or laughs, there is no
peace.

Proverbs 29:22 (NKJV)
An angry man stirs up strife,
And a furious man abounds in transgression.

Proverbs 30:33 (ESV)
For pressing milk produces curds,
pressing the nose produces blood,
and pressing anger produces strife.