

Scripture

Proverbs 3:1-18 (NLT)

Trusting in the Lord

- 1 My child, never forget the things I have taught you. Store my commands in your heart.
- 2 If you do this, you will live many years, and your life will be satisfying.
- 3 Never let loyalty and kindness leave you! Tie them around your neck as a reminder. Write them deep within your heart.
- 4 Then you will find favor with both God and People, and you will earn a good reputation.

- 5 Trust in the Lord with all your heart;
do not depend on your own understanding.
- 6 Seek his will in all you do,
and he will show you which path to take.
- 7 Don't be impressed with your own wisdom.
Instead, fear the Lord and turn away from evil.
- 8 Then you will have healing for your body
and strength for your bones.
- 9 Honor the Lord with your wealth
and with the best part of everything you
produce.
- 10 Then he will fill your barns with grain,
and your vats will overflow with good wine.

- 11** My child, don't reject the Lord's discipline,
and don't be upset when he corrects you.
- 12** For the Lord corrects those he loves,
just as a father corrects a child in whom he
delights.
- 13** Joyful is the person who finds wisdom,
the one who gains understanding.
- 14** For wisdom is more profitable than silver,
and her wages are better than gold.
- 15** Wisdom is more precious than rubies;
nothing you desire can compare with her.
- 16** She offers you long life in her right hand,
and riches and honor in her left.

- 17 She will guide you down delightful paths;
all her ways are satisfying.
- 18 Wisdom is a tree of life to those who embrace
her; happy are those who hold her tightly.