

# Proverbs 10:13-17

the answer of the lips  
do to the right way

<sup>13</sup> On the lips of the discerning, wisdom is found,

knowing and doing the will of God is true wisdom.

the ability to make  
correct moral decisions

But a rod is for the back of him who lacks understanding.

Wise men learn and  
Remember and keep God's  
word.

<sup>14</sup> Wise men store up knowledge,

But some people won't follow  
Precepts they only are instructed  
by Pain and punishment

But with the mouth of the foolish, ruin is at hand.

The path of the foolish leads to  
disaster

An ANALOGY:

<sup>15</sup> The rich man's wealth is his fortress,

The ruin of the poor is their poverty.

The poor in contrast have nothing saved to be able  
to handle the needs of everyday life.

<sup>16</sup> The wages of the righteous is life,

The income of the wicked, punishment.

But spiritual poverty will bring ruin

<sup>17</sup> He is on the path of life who heeds instruction,

Thus wisdom puts one on the  
PATH of life.

But he who ignores reproof goes astray.

Rebellion will end in disaster.

In the physical realm the  
storing of money is protection

But in the spiritual realm  
our protection is wisdom  
and righteousness...