

Proverbs 12:24-28

²⁴ The hand of the diligent will rule, *A biblical work ethic. Excellence is exalted
Laziness is punished*
But the slack *hand* will be put to forced labor.

*Worry will make you
"DOWN"*
*But a sensitive friend
can turn everything around*
²⁵ Anxiety in a man's heart weighs it down,
But a good word makes it glad.

²⁶ The righteous is a guide to his neighbor, *We not only can uplift
but we can aid others in life's skills -
unlike what the world can do to people*
But the way of the wicked leads them astray.

²⁷ A lazy man does not roast his prey, *This he would like to eat he cannot plan,
initiate, reverse, and succeed.*
But the precious possession of a man *is* diligence. *Diligence is the most precious
thing a person can possess..
The ability to convert desire to
Reality.*

*all of the above virtues
are the qualities of
Righteousness thus divine
life.*
²⁸ In the way of righteousness is life,
And in its pathway there is no death.

*One never need fear of being
led astray when walking with God.*