

Sepher Mishle (Proverbs)

Chapter 17

Shavua Reading Schedule (17th sidrah) - Prov 17

בְּטוֹב פַת חֲרֵבָה וְשַׁלְוָה־בָה מִבֵּית מֶלֶא זִבְחֵרִיב:
Prov17:1 Better is a dry morsel and quietness with it
than a house full of feasting with strife.

1. **tob path charebah w'shal'wah-bah mibayith male' zib'chey-rib.**

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<17:1> κρείσσων ψωμὸς μεθ' ἡδονῆς ἐν εἰρήνῃ
ἢ οἶκος πλήρης πολλῶν ἀγαθῶν καὶ ἀδίκων θυμάτων μετὰ μάχης.
1 kreissōn psōmos meth' hēdonēs en eirēnē ē oikos plérēs pollōn agathōn

Better a morsel with satisfaction in peace, than a house full of many good things,
kai adikōn thymatōn meta machēs.
and unjust things offering for sacrifices with battles.

בְעַבְד־מִשְׁכִּיל רַמְשֵׁל בֵּן מְבִישׁ וּבָתוֹךְ אֶחָים יְחִילָק נְחִלָה:
2 `ebed-mas'kil yim'shol b'ben mebish ub'thok 'achim yachaloq nachalah.

Prov17:2 A servant who acts wisely shall rule over a son who acts shamefully,
and shall share in the inheritance among brothers.

<2> οἰκέτης νοήμων κρατήσει δεσποτῶν ἀφρόνων, ἐν δὲ ἀδελφοῖς διελεύται μέρη.
2 oiketēs noēmōn kratēsei despotōn aphronōn,
servant An intelligent shall prevail over masters foolish;
en de adelphois dieleitai merē.
and among brethren he shall divide portions.

גַמְצָרִיף לְכַסְף וּכְיוֹר לְזָהָב וּבְחֵן לְבָוט יְהֻדָה:
3 mats'reph lakeseph w'kur lazahab ubochen liboth Yahūwah.

Prov17:3 The refining pot is for silver and the furnace for gold, but Yahūwah tests hearts.

<3> ὥσπερ δοκιμάζεται ἐν καμίνῳ ἄργυρος καὶ χρυσός,
οὕτως ἐκλεκταὶ καρδίαι παρὰ κυρίῳ.

3 hōsper dokimazetai en kaminō argyros kai chrysos, houtōs eklekta kardiai para kyriō.
As tried in a furnace silver and gold; so choice hearts by YHWH.

דָמְבָע מִקְשִׁיב עַל־שְׁפָת־אָוֹן שְׁקָר מִזְרָן עַל־לִשְׁוֹן הַוְתָה:
4 mera` maq'shib `al-s'phath-'awen sheqer mezin `al-l'shon hauoth.

Prov17:4 An evildoer gives heed to wicked lips;
a liar pays attention to a tongue of evil desire.

«4» κακὸς ὑπακούει γλώσσης παρανόμων, δίκαιος δὲ οὐ προσέχει χείλεσιν ψευδέσιν.

4 kakos hypakouei glōssēs paranomōn, dikaios de ou prosechei cheilesin pseudesin.

A bad man obeys the tongue of lawbreakers; and an unjust man heeds lips lying.

הַלְעֵג לִרְשׁ חֶרֶף עַשְׂהוֹ שָׁמַח לֹא יִפְקַה:
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5. lo`eg larash chereph `osehu sameach l'eyd lo' yinaqeh.

Prov17:5 He who mocks the poor taunts his Maker;

he who rejoices at calamity shall not go unpunished.

«5» ὁ καταγελῶν πτωχοῦ παροξύνει τὸν ποιήσαντα αὐτόν,

ὁ δὲ ἐπιχαίρων ἀπολλυμένῳ οὐκ ἀθῷθήσεται·

ὁ δὲ ἐπισπλαγχνιζόμενος ἐλεηθήσεται.

5 ho katagelōn ptōchou paroxynei ton poiēsanta auton,

The one ridiculing the poor provokes the one making him.

ho de epichairōn apollymenō ouk athōthēsetai;

And the one rejoicing at one being destroyed shall not be acquitted;

ho de episplagchnizomenos eleēthēsetai.

but the one showing compassion shall be shown mercy.

וְעַטְרָתָ זָקְנִים בְּנֵי בָנִים וְתִפְאָרָת בָּנִים אֲבֹתָם:
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6. `atereth z'qenim b'ney banim w'thiph'ereth banim 'abotham.

Prov17:6 Sons of sons are the crown of old men, and the glory of sons is their fathers.

«6» στέφανος γερόντων τέκνα τέκνων, καύχημα δὲ τέκνων πατέρες αὐτῶν.

6 stephanos gerontōn tekna teknon,

are the crown of the aged Children's children;

kauchēma de teknon pateres autōn.

are the boasting and children of their fathers.

«6» α τοῦ πιστοῦ ὅλος ὁ κόσμος τῶν χρημάτων, τοῦ δὲ ἀπίστου οὐδὲ ὄβολός.

6ā tou pistou holos ho kosmos tōn chrēmatōn,

is of the trustworthy The entire world of things;

tou de apistou oude obolos.

but for the unbelieving not an obolus.

וְלֹא-דָגָן אֹהֶה לְנַבְלָל שְׁפָת-יִתְר אֲפִכִּי-לְנַדִּיב שְׁפָת-שָׁקָר:
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7. lo'-na'wah l'nabal s'phath-yether 'aph ki-l'nadib s'phath-shaqer.

Prov17:7 A lip of excess is not fitting for a fool, much less are lying lips to a prince.

«7» οὐχ ἀρμόσει ἄφρονι χείλη πιστὰ οὐδὲ δικαίω χείλη ψευδῆ.

7 ouch harmosei aphroni cheilē pista oude dikaiō cheilē pseudē.

shall not suit a fool lips Trustworthy, nor to the just lips lying.

וְלֹא-דָגָן קַיְלָל קַו-לְעַד-לְעַד קַבְלָה קַבְלָה דָהָרָה גַּם-גַּם:
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חָבְנָה חַנּוֹן הַשְׁחָד בְּעֵינִי בְּעֶלְיוֹ אֶל-כָּל-אָשָׁר יִפְנַה יִשְׁכַּל:

8. 'eben-chen hashochad b`eyney b`alayu 'el-kal-'asher yiph'neh yas'kil.

Prov17:8 A bribe is a stone of grace in the sight of its owner;
wherever he turns, he prospers.

«8» μισθὸς χαρίτων ἡ παιδεία τοῦς χρωμένοις, οὗ δ' ἀν ἐπιστρέψῃ, εὐόδωθήσεται.

8 misthos charitōn hē paideia tois chrōmenois,

wage is a favorable Instruction to the ones employing it;

hou d' an epistrepsē, euodōthēsetai.

and where ever it shall turn, the way shall be prosperous.

וְעַל-קְשָׁתָה וְעַל-מִשְׁפָּט אֶל-זָהָב וְעַל-מִשְׁפָּט אֶל-זָהָב:

ט מִכְסָה-פְּשָׁע מִבְקָשׁ אֶחָדָה וְשָׂנָה בְּדָבָר מִפְרִיד אֶל-זָהָב:

9. m'kaseh-pesha` m'baqesh 'ahabah w'shoneh b'dabar maph'rid 'aluph.

Prov17:9 He who conceals a transgression seeks love,
but he who repeats a matter separates friends.

«9» ὅς κρύπτει ἀδικήματα, ζητεῖ φιλίαν·

ὅς δὲ μισεῖ κρύπτειν, διύστησιν φίλους καὶ οἰκείους.

9 hos kryptei adikēmata, zetei philian;

the ones who hides offences seeks love

hos de misei kryptein, diistēsin philous kai oikeious.

the ones who detests hiding them separates friends and kindred.

וְעַל-מִלְּפָגָה וְעַל-מִלְּפָגָה עַל-מִלְּפָגָה וְעַל-מִלְּפָגָה:

יִתְחַת גַּעֲרָה בְּמַבִּין מִתְפּוֹת כְּסִיל מַאֲהָה:

10. techath g`arah b'mebin mehakoth k'sil me'ah.

Prov17:10 A rebuke goes deeper into one who has understanding
than a hundred blows into a fool.

«10» συντρίβει ἀπειλὴ καρδίαν φρονίμου, ἄφρων δὲ μαστιγωθεὶς οὐκ αἰσθάνεται.

10 syntribei apeile kardian phronimou,

breaks down Intimidation the heart of the intelligent;

aphrōn de mastigōtheis ouk aisthanetai.

but a fool being whipped does not perceive.

וְעַל-מִרְאֵת וְעַל-מִרְאֵת וְעַל-מִרְאֵת וְעַל-מִרְאֵת:

רִא אֶקְדָּמָרִי יְבָקֵשׁ-רָע וּמְלָאָךְ אֶקְזָרִי יְשֻׁלָּחֶבֶוּ:

11. 'ak-m'ri y'baqesh-ra` umal'ak 'ak'zari y'shulach-bo.

Prov17:11 A rebellious man seeks only evil,
so a cruel messenger shall be sent against him.

«11» ἀντιλογίας ἔγειρει πᾶς κακός, ὁ δὲ κύριος ἄγγελον ἀνελεήμονα ἐκπέμψει αὐτῷ.

11 antilogias egeirei pas kakos,

Disputes arises with every evil man;

ho de kyrios aggelon aneleēmona ekpempsei autō.

but YHWH angel an unmerciful shall send forth against him.

יב פָּגֹשׁ דְּבָר שִׁפְולָן בְּאֵישׁ וְאֶל-כְּסִיל בְּאוּלָתָו: 12

12. pagosh dob shakul b'ish w'al-k'sil b'iual'to.

Prov17:12 Let a bear bereaved meet a man of her cubs, rather than a fool in his folly.

<12> ἐμπεσεῖται μέριμνα ἀνδρὶ νοήμονι,
οἱ δὲ ἄφρονες διαλογιοῦνται κακά.

12 empeseitai merimna andri noēmoni,
shall fall unto Anxiety man an intelligent;
hoi de aphrones dialogiountai kaka.
but the fools shall argue evil things.

ינ מִשִּׁבְתָּךְ רַעַת תְּחַת טוֹבָה לְאַתְמִישׁ רַעַת מִבְּרִיתָו: 13

13. meshib ra`ah tachath tobah lo'-thamish ra`ah mibeytho.

Prov17:13 He who returns evil for good, evil shall not depart from his house.

<13> ὃς ἀποδίδωσιν κακὰ ἀντὶ ἀγαθῶν, οὐ κινηθήσεται κακὰ ἐκ τοῦ οἴκου αὐτοῦ.

13 hos apodidōsin kaka anti agathōn,
The one who repays evil things for good things,
ou kinēthēsetai kaka ek tou oikou autou.
shall not be moved evil things from out of his house.

יד פּוֹטֵר מִים רְאֵשִׁית מַדּוֹן וְלִפְנֵי הַתְּגֻלָּעָה הַרִּיב נָטוֹשׁ: 14

14. poter mayim re'shith madon w'liph'ney hit'hala` harib n'tosh.

Prov17:14 The beginning of strife is like letting out water,
so abandon the quarrel before it breaks out.

<14> ἔξουσίαν δίδωσιν λόγοις ἀρχὴ δικαιοσύνης,
προηγεῖται δὲ τῆς ἐνδείας στάσις καὶ μάχη.

14 exousian didōsin logois archē dikaiosynēs,
authority shall give to words The sovereignty of righteousness;
proēgeitai de tēs endeias stasis kai machē.
leads but to lack faction and fighting.

טו מְצִדְקִיק רְשֻׁעָה וּמְשִׁרְעָה צְדִיק תֹּועֵבָה יְהֻנָּה גַּם-שְׁנֵיהֶם: 15

15. mats'diq rasha` umar'shi`a tsadiq to`abath Yahúwah gam-sh'neymhem.

Prov17:15 He who justifies the wicked and he who condemns the righteous,
both of them alike are an abomination to God.

<15> ὃς δίκαιον κρίνει τὸν ἄδικον, ἄδικον δὲ τὸν δίκαιον,
ἀκάθαρτος καὶ βδελυκτὸς παρὰ θεῷ.

15 hos **dikaion krinei** ton adikon, adikon de ton **dikaion**,
The one who as just judges the unjust, as unjust or the just,
akathartos kai bdelyktos para theō.
is unclean and abominable before El.

טוֹלֵמָה־זֶה מִחֵּר בַּיִד־כְּסִיל לְקָנֹת חַכְמָה וְלֹבֶד־אַין:

16. lamah-zeh m'chir b'yad-k'sil liq'noth chak'mah w'leb-'ayin.

Prov17:16 Why is there a price in the hand of a fool to buy wisdom,
and there is not a heart?

<16> ἵνα τί ὑπῆρξεν χρήματα ἀφρονού; κτήσασθαι γὰρ σοφίαν ἀκάρδιος οὐ δυνήσεται.

16 hina ti hypēr xen chrēmata aphroni?

Why did exist riches to the fool?

ktēsasthai gar sophian akardios ou dynēsetai.

to acquire for wisdom the heartless shall not be able.

<16>a ὃς ὑψηλὸν ποιεῖ τὸν ἔαυτοῦ οἶκον, ζητεῖ συντριβήν.

ὁ δὲ σκολιάζων τοῦ μαθεῖν ἐμπεσεῖται εἰς κακά.

16ā hos **huyēlon poiei** ton **heautou oikon**, **zētei syntribēn**;
The one who high makes his own house seeks destruction;
ho de **skoliazōn** tou **mathein** empeseitai eis kaka.
and the one being crooked to learn shall fall into evils.

יז בְּכָל־עֵת אֲחֵב הָרָע וְאַח לְצָרָה יִלְדָה:

17. b'kal-`eth 'oheb hare`a w'ach l'tsarah yiualed.

Prov17:17 A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for adversity.

<17> εἰς πάντα καιρὸν φίλος ὑπαρχέτω σοι,
ἀδελφοὶ δὲ ἐν ἀνάγκαις χρήσιμοι ἔστωσαν· τούτου γὰρ χάριν γεννῶνται.

17 eis panta kairon philos hyparchetō soi,
For all time the friend let exist to you!

adelphoi de en anagkais chrēsimoi estōsan; toutou gar charin gennōntai.
the brethren in distresses profitable let be! for this favor they were born.

יח אָדָם חִסְר־לֵב תָּקַע כַּפְעַרְבָּה לְפָנֵי רְעַזָּה:

18. 'adam chasar-leb toqe`a kaph `oreb `arubah liph'ney re`ehu.

Prov17:18 A man lacking heart strikes the palm
and he pledges a pledge in the presence of his neighbor.

<18> ἀνὴρ ἀφρων ἐπικροτεῖ καὶ ἐπιχαιρεῖ ἔαυτῳ
ώς καὶ ὁ ἐγγυώμενος ἐγγύη τὸν ἔαυτοῦ φίλον.

18 anēr aphrōn epikrotei kai **epichairei** **heautō**
man A foolish claps and rejoices over himself,
hos kai ho eggyōmenos eggyē ton heautou philon.

as also the one guaranteeing a loan by surety for his own friend.

וְאֵת אֲהָבָה פִּשְׁעַת אֶחָד מִצְחָה מְגֻבֵּיהָ פִּתְחָה מִבְקָשׁ שָׁבֵר: 19

19. 'oheb pesha` 'oheb matsah mag'biah pith'cho m'baqesh-shaber.

Prov17:19 He who loves transgression loves strife;
he who raises his door seeks destruction.

<19> φιλαμαρτήμων χαίρει μάχαις,

19 philamartēmōn chairei machais,

The one fond of sinning rejoices in fights;

כַּעֲקָשׁ-לִבְ בְּ לֹא יִמְצָא-טוֹב וּנְהַקְּפָה בְּלִשְׁוֹנוֹ יִפּוֹל בְּרַעַת: 20

20. iqesh-leb lo' yim'tsa'-tob w'neh'pak bil'shono yipol b'rā'ah.

Prov17:20 He who has a crooked heart finds no good,
and he who is perverted in his language falls into evil.

<20> ὁ δὲ σκληροκάρδιος οὐ συναντᾷ ἀγαθοῖς.

ἀνὴρ εὐμετάβολος γλώσσῃ ἐμπεσεῖται εἰς κακά,

20 ho de sklērokardios ou synant̄ agathois.

and the hard-hearted one does not meet with good things

anēr eumetabolos glōssē empeseitai eis kaka,

A man with a changeable tongue shall fall into evils;

כָּא רִילֵד קְסִיל לְתוֹגָה לוֹ וְלֹא-יִשְׂמַח אָבִי נְבָל: 21

21. yoled k'sil l'thugah lo w'lo'-yis'mach 'abi nabal.

Prov17:21 He who begets a fool has sorrow for it,
and the father of a fool has no joy.

<21> καρδία δὲ ἄφρονος ὀδύνη τῷ κεκτημένῳ αὐτήν.

οὐκ εὐφραίνεται πατὴρ ἐπὶ σὺνῳ ἀπαιδεύτῳ,

νιὸς δὲ φρόνιμος εὐφραίνει μητέρα αὐτοῦ.

21 kardia de aphronos odynē tō kektēmenō autēn.

and the heart of a fool is grief to its possessor.

ouk euphrainetai patēr epi huiō apaideutō,

is not glad A father over son an uninstructed;

huios de phronimos euphrainei mētera autou.

son but an intelligent gladden his mother.

כְּבָלֵב שָׁמַח יִתְבַּגְהַה וְרִיחַ נְכָאָה תִּבְשַׁגְּרָם: 22

22. leb sameach yeytib gehah w'ruach n'ke'ah t'yabesh-garem.

Prov17:22 A cheerful heart makes good healing,
but a broken spirit dries up the bones.

<22> καρδία εὐφραινομένη εὐεκτεῖν ποιεῖ, ἀνδρὸς δὲ λυπηροῦ ξηραίνεται τὰ ὄστα.

22 kardia euphrainomenē eukelein poiei,

A heart being glad to be in good health makes;

andros de lypērou xērainetai ta osta.

man but a distressed dries the bones.

:⊗גַּוְיִלְתָּא כְּבָשָׂמֶן אֲתָא אֵתָהּ כְּבָשָׂמֶן 23
כִּנְשָׁחַד מִתְּחִיק רְשָׁעָה יִקְחֶת לְהַטּוֹת אֲרָחוֹת מִשְׁפָּט:

23. shochad mecheyq rasha` yiqach l'hatoth 'ar'choth mish'pat.

Prov17:23 A wicked man receives a bribe from the bosom to pervert the ways of justice.

<23> λαμβάνοντος δῶρα ἐν κόλπῳ ἀδίκως οὐ κατευδούνται ὄδοι,
ἀσεβῆς δὲ ἐκκλίνει ὄδοὺς δικαιοσύνης.

23 lambanontos dōra en kolpō adikōs ou kateuodountai hodoi,

One receiving gifts in enfolded arms unjustly does not great prosper in the ways
asebēs de ekklīnei hodous dikaiosynēs.

and an impious man turns aside the ways of righteousness.

:תְּ-לִבְנָה שְׁפָעָה עַל-עַלְמָה קְרָבָה עַל-עַלְמָה 24
כִּד אֲתָה-פָנֵי מִבֵּין חַכְמָה וְעִינֵי בְּסִיל בְּקִצְחָה-אֲרֵץ:

24. 'eth-p'ney mebin chak'mah w'eyney k'sil biq'tseh-'arets.

Prov17:24 Wisdom is in the presence of the one who has understanding,
but the eyes of a fool are on the ends of the earth.

<24> πρόσωπον συνετὸν ἀνδρὸς σοφοῦ, οἱ δὲ ὄφθαλμοὶ τοῦ ἄφρονος ἐπ' ἄκρα γῆς.

24 prosōpon syneton andros sophou,

The countenance is a discerning man of a wise;

hoi de ophthalmoi tou aphronos ep' akra gēs.

but the eyes of the fool are unto the uttermosts parts of the earth.

:בְּ-עַם כְּ-בָנָה כְּ-בָנָה כְּ-בָנָה כְּ-בָנָה כְּ-בָנָה 25
כַּה כְּעַם לְאָבִיו בֵּן כְּסִיל וּמִמֶּר לִיּוֹלְדָתָה:

25. ka`as l'abiu ben k'sil umemer l'yolad'to.

Prov17:25 A foolish son is a grief to his father and bitterness to her who bore him.

<25> ὥργὴ πατρὶ υἱὸς ἄφρων καὶ ὀδύνη τῇ τεκούσῃ αὐτοῦ.

25 orgē patri huios aphrōn kai odynē tē tekousē autou.

is anger to a father son A foolish, and grief to the one birthing him.

:אַ-וְ-בָּנָה כְּ-בָנָה כְּ-בָנָה כְּ-בָנָה כְּ-בָנָה 26
כו גַּם עֲנוֹשׁ לְצַדִּיק לְאָטוֹב לְהַכּוֹת נְדִיבִים עַל-יְרַשָּׁה:

26. gam `anosh latsadiq lo'-tob l'hakoth n'dibim`al-yosher.

Prov17:26 It is also not good to fine the righteous,

nor to strike the noble for their uprightness.

<26> ζημιοῦν ἄνδρα δίκαιον οὐ καλόν, οὐδὲ ὅσιον ἐπιβουλεύειν δυνάσταις δικαίους.

26 zēmioun andra dikaiōn ou kalon,
To penalize man a just is not good;
oude hosion epibouleuein dynastais dikaios.
nor is it sacred to plot against monarchs just.

כֹז חָשֵׁךְ אַמְרִיו יוֹהָעֶד עֲדָת וּקְרָדָרִים אִישׁ תְּבִנָה:

27. chosek 'amarayu yode`a da`ath w'qar-ruach 'ish t'bunah.

Prov17:27 He who restrains his words knows knowledge,
and he who has a cool spirit is a man of understanding.

<27> ὃς φείδεται ρήμα προέσθαι σκληρόν, ἐπιγνώμων·
μακρόθυμος δὲ ἀνὴρ φρόνιμος.

27 hos pheidetai hrēma proesthai sklēron, epignōmōn;
The one sparing word to let go a hard is an arbitrator;
makrothymos de anēr phronimos.
and a lenient man is intelligent.

כְחַגָם אֹוֵיל מַחֲרִישׁ חָכָם יְחַשֵּׁב אָטָם שְׁפָתָיו נְבוֹן:

28. gam 'ewil macharish chakam yechasheb 'otem s'phathayu nabon.

Prov17:28 Even a fool, when he keeps silent, is considered wise;
when he closes his lips, he is considered as understanding.

<28> ἀνοήτω ἐπερωτήσαντι σοφίαν σοφία λογισθήσεται,
ἐνεὸν δέ τις ἔαυτὸν ποιήσας δόξει φρόνιμος εἶναι.

28 anoētō eperōtēsanti sophian sophia logisthēsetai,
To an unthinking man asking wisdom, wisdom shall be imputed;
eneon de tis heauton poiēsas doxei phronimos einai.
dumb man and any for himself doing shall seem to be intelligent.