

And a man of
understanding will attain
wise counsel,

6 To understand a proverb
and an enigma,
The words of the wise and
their riddles.

7 The fear of the Lord is the
beginning of knowledge,
But fools despise wisdom
and instruction.

8 My son, hear the
instruction of your father,
And do not forsake the law
of your mother;

9 For they will be a graceful
ornament on your head,
And chains about your
neck.

28 “Then they will call on
me, but I will not answer;
They will seek me
diligently, but they will
not find me.

29 Because they hated
knowledge
And did not choose the fear
of the Lord,

30 They would have none of
my counsel
And despised my every
rebuke.

31 Therefore they shall eat the
fruit of their own way,
And be filled to the full with
their own fancies.