

17 Her ways *are* ways
of pleasantness,
And all her paths *are*
peace.

18 She *is* a tree of life
to those who take
hold of her,
And happy *are all* who
retain her.

19 The Lord by wisdom
founded the earth;
By understanding He
established the
heavens;

20 By His knowledge
the depths were
broken up,
And clouds drop down
the dew.

21 My son, let them not
depart from your
eyes—
Keep sound wisdom
and discretion;

22 So they will be life to
your soul
And grace to your
neck.