

# INTERNATIONAL BIBLE LESSONS.

SECOND QUARTER: OLD TESTAMENT TEACHINGS.

About B. C. 1000.] **LESSON VI. THE VALUE OF WISDOM.** [May 7.]

**GOLDEN TEXT.** Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. Prov. 3. 5.

## Authorized Version.

**Prov. 3. 11-24.** [Commit to memory verses 13-17.]

11 My son, despise not the chastening of the Lord; neither be weary of his correction:

12 For whom the Lord loveth he correcteth; even as a father the son in whom he delighteth.

13 Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth understanding:

14 For the merchandise of it is better than the merchandise of silver, and the gain thereof than fine gold.

15 She is more precious than rubies: and all the things thou canst desire are not to be compared unto her.

16 Length of days is in her right hand; and in her left hand riches and honor.

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

18 She is a tree of life to them that lay hold upon her: and happy is everyone that retaineth her.

19 The Lord by wisdom hath founded the earth; by understanding hath he established the heavens.

20 By his knowledge the depths are broken up, and the clouds drop down the dew.

21 My son, let not them depart from thine eyes: keep sound wisdom and discretion:

22 So shall they be life unto thy soul, and grace to thy neck.

23 Then shalt thou walk in thy way safely, and thy foot shall not stumble.

24 When thou liest down, thou shalt not be afraid: yea, thou shalt lie down, and thy sleep shall be sweet.

## Revised Version.

11 My son, despise not the chastening of the Lord;  
Neither be weary of his reproof:

12 For whom the Lord loveth he reproveth;  
Even as a father the son in whom he delighteth.

13 Happy is the man that findeth wisdom,  
And the man that getteth understanding.

14 For the merchandise of it is better than the merchandise of silver,  
And the gain thereof than fine gold.

15 She is more precious than rubies;  
And none of the things thou canst desire are to be compared unto her.

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In her left hand are riches and honor.

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**TIME.**—About B. C. 1000. **ENVIRONMENTS.**—Same as last lesson. **DOCTRINAL SUGGESTION.**—The love of God.

## HOME READINGS.

M. Value of wisdom. Prov. 3. 11-18.

Tu. Value of wisdom. Prov. 3. 19-24.

W. The principal thing. Prov. 4. 1-9.

Th. Above rubies. Job 28. 12-19.

F. Fear of God is wisdom. Job 28. 20-28.

S. Wise through the word. Psalm 119. 97-104.

S. How to get wisdom. James 1. 1-7.

## LESSON HYMNS.

No. 143, New Canadian Hymnal.

Oh, for a faith that will not shrink.

No. 155, New Canadian Hymnal.

Oh, how happy are they.

No. 157, New Canadian Hymnal.

Happy the man who finds the grace.

## DOMINION HYMNAL.

Hymns, Nos. 46, 49, 51.

## QUESTIONS FOR SENIOR STUDENTS.

I. A. Precious Chastening, v. 11, 12.

What counsel is given in verse 11?

What is meant by "chastening?"