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Definitions: (1)righteous-6662 tsaddiyq (tsad-deek');from 6663; just: KJV-- just, lawful, righteous (man). (2)over much-7235 rabah (raw-baw'); a primitive root; to increase (in whatever respect): KJV-- [bring in] abundance (X -antly), + archer [by mistake for 7232], be in authority, bring up, X continue, enlarge, excel, exceeding (-ly), be full of, (be, make) great (-er, -ly, X -ness), grow up, heap, increase, be long, have, make, use) store. (3)make thyself-2449 chakam (khaw-kam'); a primitive root, to be wise (in mind, word or act): KJV-- X exceeding, teach wisdom, be (makeself, shewself) wise, deal (never so) wisely, make wiser. (4)over-3148 yowther (yo-thare');active participle of 3498; properly, redundant; hence, over and above, as adjective, noun, adverb or conjunction [as follows]: KJV-- better, more (-over), over, profit. (5)why shouldst thou destroy thyself-8074 shamem (shaw-mame'); a primitive root; to stun (or intransitively, grow numb), i.e. **devastate** or (figuratively) stupefy (both usually in a passive sense): KJV-- make amazed, be astonished, (be an) astonish (-ment), (be, bring into, unto, lay, lie, make) desolate (-ion, places), be destitute, destroy (self), (lay, lie, make) waste, wonder.

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Prov 25:16 Hast thou found honey? eat so much as is sufficient for thee, lest thou be filled therewith, and vomit it. (KJV)

Matt 6:1 Take heed that ye do not your alms before men, to be seen of them: otherwise ye have no reward of your Father which is in heaven. **2** Therefore when thou doest thine alms, do not sound a trumpet before thee, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may have glory of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward. **3** But when thou doest alms, let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth: **4** That thine alms may be in secret: and thy Father which seeth in secret himself shall reward thee openly. **5** And when thou prayest, thou shalt not be as the hypocrites are: for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward. **6** But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly. **7** But when ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do: for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking. **8** Be not ye therefore like unto them: for your Father knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask him. (KJV)

Matt 9:14 Then came to him the disciples of John, saying, Why do we and the Pharisees fast oft, but thy disciples fast not? **15** And Jesus said unto them, Can the children of the bridechamber mourn, as long as the bridegroom is with them? but the days will come, when the bridegroom shall be taken from them, and then shall they fast. **16** No man putteth a piece of new cloth unto an old garment, for that which is put in to fill it up taketh from the garment, and the rent is made worse. **17** Neither do men put new wine into old bottles: else the bottles break, and the wine runneth out, and the bottles perish: but they put new wine into new bottles, and both are preserved. (KJV)

Matt 15:1 Then came to Jesus scribes and Pharisees, which were of Jerusalem, saying, **2** Why do thy disciples transgress the tradition of the elders? for they wash not their hands when they eat bread. **3** But he answered and said unto them, Why do ye also transgress the commandment of God by your tradition? (KJV)

Luke 18:9 And he spake this parable unto certain which trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others: **10** Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a publican. **11** The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, God, I thank thee, that I am not as other men are, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this publican. **12** I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess. **13** And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner. **14** I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other: for every one that exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted. **15** And they brought unto him also infants, that he would touch them: but when his disciples saw it, they rebuked them. **16** But Jesus called them unto him, and said, Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God. **17** Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child shall in no wise enter therein. **18** And a certain ruler asked him, saying, Good Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life? **19** And Jesus said unto him, Why callest thou me good? none is good, save one, that is, God. **20** Thou knowest the commandments, Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honour thy father and thy mother. **21** And he said, All these have I kept from my youth up. **22** Now when Jesus heard these things, he said unto him, Yet lackest thou one thing: sell all that thou hast, and distribute unto the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, follow me. **23** And when he heard this, he was very sorrowful: for he was very rich. **24** And when Jesus saw that he was very sorrowful, he said, How hardly shall they that have riches enter into the kingdom of God! **25** For it is easier for a camel to go through a needle's eye, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God. **26** And they that heard it said, Who then can be saved? **27** And he said, The things which are impossible with men are possible with God.

Rom 10:1 Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is, that they might be saved. **2** For I bear them record that they have a zeal of God, but not according to knowledge. **3** For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God. **4** For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth. **5** For Moses describeth the righteousness which is of the law, That the man which doeth those things shall live by them. (KJV)

Phil 3:1 Finally, my brethren, rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things to you, to me indeed is not grievous, but for you it is safe. **2** Beware of dogs, beware of evil workers, beware of the concision. **3** For we are the circumcision, which worship God in the spirit, and rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh. **4** Though I might also have confidence in the flesh. If any other man thinketh that he hath whereof he might trust in the flesh, I more: **5** Circumcised the eighth day, of the stock of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, an Hebrew of the Hebrews; as touching the law, a Pharisee; **6** Concerning zeal, persecuting the church; touching the righteousness which is in the law, blameless. **7** But what things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ. **8** Yea doubtless, and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but dung, that I may win Christ, **9** And be found in him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith: **10** That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death; **11** If by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead. (KJV)

1 Tim 4:1 Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils; **2** Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron; **3** Forbidding to marry, and commanding to abstain from meats, which God hath created to be received with thanksgiving of them which believe and know the truth. **4** For every creature of God is good, and nothing to be refused, if it be received with thanksgiving: **5** For it is sanctified by the word of God and prayer. **6** If thou put the brethren in remembrance of these things, thou shalt be a good minister of Jesus Christ, nourished up in the words of faith and of good doctrine, whereunto thou hast attained. (KJV)

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Gen 3:1 Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden? **2** And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden: **3** But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die. **4** And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: **5** For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil. **6** And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat. **7** And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons. (KJV)

Job 11:1 Then answered Zophar the Naamathite, and said, **2** Should not the multitude of words be answered? and should a man full of talk be justified? **3** Should thy lies make men hold their peace? and when thou mockest, shall no man make thee ashamed? **4** For thou hast said, My doctrine is pure, and I am clean in thine eyes. **5** But oh that God would speak, and open his lips against thee; **6** And that he would shew thee the secrets of wisdom, that they are double to that which is! Know therefore that God **(1) exacteth** of thee less than thine iniquity deserveth. **7** Canst

thou by searching find out God? canst thou find out the Almighty unto **(2)perfection**? **8** It is as high as heaven; what canst thou do? deeper than hell; what canst thou know? **9** The measure thereof is longer than the earth, and broader than the sea. **10** If he cut off, and shut up, or gather together, then who can hinder him? **11** For he knoweth vain men: he seeth wickedness also; will he not then **(3)consider** it? **12** For vain man would be wise, though man be born like a wild ass's colt. (KJV)

Definitions: **(1) exacteth**-5382 nashah (naw-shaw'); a primitive root; to forget; figuratively, to neglect; causatively, to remit, remove: KJV-- forget, deprive, exact. **(2)perfection**-8503 takliyth-an end, perfection, consummation, completion, completeness a) an end b) completeness **(3)consider**-995 biyn-1) to discern, to understand, to consider 3) to observe, to mark, to give heed to, to distinguish, to consider

Job 28:23 God understandeth the way thereof, and he knoweth the place thereof. **24** For he looketh to the ends of the earth, and seeth under the whole heaven; **25** To make the weight for the winds; and he weigheth the waters by measure. **26** When he made a decree for the rain, and a way for the lightning of the thunder: **27** Then did he see it, and declare it; he prepared it, yea, and searched it out. **28** And unto man he said, Behold, the fear of the Lord, that is wisdom; and to depart from evil is understanding. (KJV)

Prov 23:1 When thou sittest to eat with a ruler, consider diligently what is before thee: **2** And put a knife to thy throat, if thou be a man given to appetite. **3** Be not desirous of his dainties: for they are deceitful meat. **4** Labour not to be rich: cease from thine own wisdom. **5** Wilt thou set thine eyes upon that which is not? for riches certainly make themselves wings; they fly away as an eagle toward heaven. **6** Eat thou not the bread of him that hath an evil eye, neither desire thou his dainty meats: **7** For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he: Eat and drink, saith he to thee; but his heart is not with thee. **8** The morsel which thou hast eaten shalt thou vomit up, and lose thy sweet words. (KJV)

Eccl 1:16 I communed with mine own heart, saying, Lo, I am come to great estate, and have gotten more wisdom than all they that have been before me in Jerusalem: yea, my heart had great experience of wisdom and knowledge. **17** And I gave my heart to know wisdom, and to know madness and folly: I perceived that this also is vexation of spirit. **18** For in much wisdom is much grief: and he that increaseth knowledge increaseth sorrow. (KJV)

Eccl 12:11 The words of the wise are as goads, and as nails fastened by the masters of assemblies, which are given from one shepherd. **12** And further, by these, my son, be admonished: of making many books there is no end; and much study is a weariness of the flesh. **13** Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man. **14** For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil. (KJV)

Rom 11:25 For I would not, brethren, that ye should be ignorant of this mystery, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits; that blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in. (KJV)

Rom 12:1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. **2** And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God. **3** For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith. (KJV)

1 Cor 3:18 Let no man deceive himself. If any man among you seemeth to be wise in this world, let him become a fool, that he may be wise. **19** For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it is written, He taketh the wise in their own craftiness. **20** And again, The Lord knoweth the thoughts of the wise, that they are vain. **21** Therefore let no man glory in men. For all things are yours; **22** Whether Paul, or Apollos, or Cephas, or the world, or life, or death, or things present, or things to come; all are yours; **23** And ye are Christ's; and Christ is God's. (KJV)

Col 2:16 Let no man therefore judge you in meat, or in drink, or in respect of an holyday, or of the new moon, or of the sabbath days: **17** Which are a shadow of things to come; but the body is of Christ. **18** Let no man beguile you of your reward in a voluntary humility and worshipping of angels, intruding into those things which he hath not seen, vainly puffed up by his fleshly mind, **19** And not holding the Head, from which all the body by joints and bands having nourishment ministered, and knit together, increaseth with the increase of God. **20** Wherefore if ye be dead with Christ from the rudiments of the world, why, as though living in the world, are ye subject to ordinances, **21** (Touch not; taste not; handle not; **22** Which all are to perish with the using;) after the commandments and doctrines of men? **23** Which things have indeed a shew of wisdom in will worship, and humility, and neglecting of the body; not in any honour to the satisfying of the flesh. (KJV)

James 3:13 Who is a wise man and endued with knowledge among you? let him shew out of a good conversation his works with meekness of wisdom. **14** But if ye have bitter envying and strife in your hearts, glory not, and lie not against the truth. **15** This wisdom descendeth not from above, but is earthly, sensual, devilish. **16** For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work. **17** But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy. **18** And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace. (KJV)

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Matt 7:13 Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: **14** Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it. **15** Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. **16** Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? **17** Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. **18** A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. **19** Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. **20** Wherefore by their fruits ye shall

know them. **21** Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. **22** Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? **23** And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity. **24** Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock: **25** And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock. **26** And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand: **27** And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it. **28** And it came to pass, when Jesus had ended these sayings, the people were astonished at his doctrine: **29** For he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. (KJV)

Matt 23:37 O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets, and stonest them which are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not! **38** Behold, your house is left unto you desolate. **39** For I say unto you, Ye shall not see me henceforth, till ye shall say, Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. (KJV)