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Our study of “*wisdom*” and related words in the Old Testament begins with and is based upon the following passage which Solomon wrote to his son, Jeroboam, desiring that he would acquire skill in righteous living and be prepared to be his successor upon the throne of Judah. It appears that Solomon wrote these Proverbs when he was still a young man and his son just a child; for we know, from Solomon’s writings in Ecclesiastes, the book of his old age, that, even though he was extremely wise and blessed by God, he did not apply many of these Proverbs to his own life. Even so, we find these first verses of Proverbs are so rich in meaning and guidance that God surely inspired and dictated these very words.

Ten different words found in the following verses will be the focus of our study:

*The Proverbs of Solomon the son of David, king of Israel;*

To know **WISDOM**<sup>2451</sup>

and **INSTRUCTION**;<sup>4148</sup>

to **PERCEIVE**<sup>995</sup> the words of **UNDERSTANDING**;<sup>998</sup>

To receive the **INSTRUCTION**<sup>4148</sup>

of **WISDOM**,<sup>7919</sup> **JUSTICE**,<sup>6664</sup> and **JUDGMENT**,<sup>4941</sup> and **EQUITY**,<sup>4339</sup>

To give **SUBTLETY**<sup>6195</sup> to the simple,

to the young man **KNOWLEDGE**<sup>1847</sup> and **DISCRETION**.<sup>4209</sup>

*A wise man will hear, and will increase **LEARNING**,<sup>3948</sup> and a man of **UNDERSTANDING**<sup>995</sup> shall attain unto wise counsels: To understand a Proverb, and the interpretation; the words of the wise, and their dark sayings.*

*The fear of the Lord is the beginning of **KNOWLEDGE**.<sup>1847</sup>*

*but fools despise **WISDOM**<sup>2451</sup> and **INSTRUCTION**<sup>4148</sup>*

(Proverb 1:1-7).

**STRONGS**

**4941** – [[mishpat /mish-pawt](#)] masculine noun. From 8199; TWOT 2443c; 421 occurrences; AV translates as “**judgment**” 296 times, “**manner**” 38 times, “**right**” 18 times, “**cause**” 12 times, “**ordinance**” 11 times, “**lawful**” seven times, “**order**” five times, “**worthy**” three times, “**fashion**” three times, “**custom**” twice, “**discretion**” twice, “**law**” twice, “**measure**” twice, “**sentence**” twice, and translated miscellaneously 18 times. **Outline of Biblical Usage:** 1 judgment, justice, ordinance. 1A judgment. *IA1* act of deciding a case. *IA2* place, court, seat of judgment. *IA3* process, procedure, litigation (before judges). *IA4* case, cause (presented for judgment). *IA5* sentence, decision (of judgment). *IA6* execution (of judgment). *IA7* time (of judgment). 1B justice, right, rectitude (attributes of God or man). 1C ordinance. 1D decision (in law). 1E right, privilege, due (legal). 1F proper, fitting, measure, fitness, custom, manner, plan.

**8199** – [[shaphat /shaw-fat](#)] verb. A primitive root; TWOT 2443; 203 occurrences; AV translates as “**judge**” (verb) 119 times, “**judge**” (noun) 60 times, “**plead**” 11 times, “**avenged**” twice, “**condemn**” twice, “**execute**” twice, “**judgment**” twice, “**defend**” once, “**deliver**” once, and translated miscellaneously three times. **Outline of Biblical Usage:** 1 to judge, govern, vindicate, punish. 1A (Qal). *IA1* to act as law-giver or judge or governor (of God, man). 1A1A to rule, govern, judge. *IA2* to decide controversy (of God, man). *IA3* to execute judgment. 1A3A discriminating (of man). 1A3B vindicating. 1A3C condemning and punishing. 1A3D at theophanic advent for final judgment. 1B (Niphal). *IB1* to enter into controversy, plead, have controversy together. *IB2* to be judged. 1C (Poel) judge, opponent-at-law (participle).

2443 – ([sapat](#)) judge, govern.

### Derivatives

2443a – ([sepet](#)) judgment.

2443b – ([sepot](#)) judgment.

2443c – ([mispat](#)) justice, ordinance.

The primary sense of [sapat](#) is to exercise the processes of government. Since, however, the ancients did not always divide the functions of government, as most modern governments do, between legislative, executive, and judicial functions (and departments) the common translation, “to judge,” misleads us. For, the word, judge, as [sapat](#) is usually translated, in modern English, means to exercise only the judicial function of government. Unless one wishes in a context of government—civil, religious, or otherwise—consistently to translate as “to govern or rule,” the interpreter must seek more specialized words to translate a word of such broad meaning in the modern world scene. For the participle NIV uses “leader.”

The meaning of [sapat](#) is further complicated by the fact that although the ancients knew full well what law—whether civil, religious, domestic or otherwise—was, they did not think of themselves as ruled by laws rather than by men as modern people like to suppose themselves to be. The centering of law, rulership, government in a man was deeply ingrained. “*The administration of justice in all early eastern nations, as among the Arabs of the desert to this day, rests with the patriarchal seniors ... Such ... would have the requisite leisure, would be able to make their decisions respected, and through the wider intercourse of superior station would decide with fuller experience and ripper reflection.*”

Hence the following analysis of use of this basic word for exercise of government appears.

1. To act as ruler. This might be done by the congregation of Israel (Numbers 18:22–28), by individual judges (Deuteronomy 1:16; Jud 16:31; I Samuel 7:16, 17), by a king (Judges 8:20); by Messiah (Psalm 72:4) or even God himself (Psalm 96:13). God alone can exercise the true ultimate rulership for, he is “the one judging all the earth” (Genesis 18:25). But Moses deciding cases (whether criminal, domestic, religious or otherwise) acts for God and by divine authority (Exodus 18:13, 15) and the same is true of other rulers in the OT theocracy (Deuteronomy 1:17).

2. By way of eminence, [sapat](#) means to decide cases of controversy as judge in civil, domestic, and religious cases. In such cases it was the judge’s duty specifically to judge with [mispat](#) (judgment, justice) and [sedeq/sedaqâ](#) (righteousness) (see Psalm 72:2–4) and in case of charges “*they shall justify the righteous and condemn the wicked*” (Deuteronomy 25:1).

3. Inasmuch in a situation of government by persons rather than merely of laws, the civil officer (the [šopet](#) “one judging”) had the executive as well as judicial powers. He also executed or caused to be executed judicial decisions. Hence, for example, in David’s appeal to God as judge in his controversy with Saul he declares, “*The Lord will be a judge and he shall judge ([sapat](#)) between me and thee and he will see and will plead my case and he will judge me* (i.e. “*deliver me*”) *out of thy hand*” (I Samuel 24:15. Hence such words as deliver, vindicate, condemn, punish, and related words of judicial-executive import are justly used in the translations.

4. Because all true authority is God’s and he shall ultimately act as judge of the world in the last great assize, he is [šopet](#) pre-eminent (Psalm 96:13; 50:6; 75:8 and meanwhile through providence he is always supreme [šopet](#) (Psalm 94:2; cf. 103:19) of the universe.

All the above uses are in the Qal.

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The Niphal, in the occasional reciprocal sense of that stem, furnishes cases where the sense of governmental process is extended to carrying on a case of litigation. In such cases *et* "with" is furnished before the object of the verb; thus, **"I will enter into judgment with thee"** (Jeremiah 2:35; cf. Ezekiel 17:20; 20:35, 36, 3; 38:22, in each God is actor and speaker). **"Plead,"** in the legal sense of plead a case often occurs, viz. **"that I may plead with you before the Lord"** (I Samuel 12:7); **"have a controversy"** (Isaiah 43:26,) and **"execute judgment"** (Isaiah 66:16, RSV).

The Poel participle has the sense of denunciatory judgment, as **"those who condemn"** (Psalm 109:31, RSV), **"accuser"** (Job 9:15), and **"the judgments against you"** (Zephaniah 3:15).

Exodus 15:25 And he cried unto the Lord; and the Lord showed him a tree, which when he had cast into the waters, the waters were made sweet: there he made for them a statute and an **ordinance**,<sup>4941</sup> and there he proved them,

Exodus 21:1 Now these are the **judgments**<sup>4941</sup> which thou shalt set before them.

Exodus 21:9 And if he have betrothed her unto his son, he shall deal with her after the **manner**<sup>4941</sup> of daughters.

Exodus 21:31 Whether he have gored a son, or have gored a daughter, according to this **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> shall it be done unto him.

Exodus 23:6 Thou shalt not wrest the **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> of thy poor in his cause.

Exodus 24:3 And Moses came and told the people all the words of the Lord, and all the **judgments**:<sup>4941</sup> and all the people answered with one voice, and said, All the words which the Lord hath said will we do.

Exodus 26:30 And thou shalt rear up the tabernacle according to the **fashion**<sup>4941</sup> thereof which was showed thee in the mount.

Exodus 28:15 And thou shalt make the breastplate of **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> with cunning work; after the work of the ephod thou shalt make it; of gold, of blue, and of purple, and of scarlet, and of fine twined linen, shalt thou make it.

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- Leviticus 18:26 Ye shall therefore keep my statutes and my **judgments**,<sup>4941</sup> and shall not commit any of these abominations; neither any of your own nation, nor any stranger that sojourneth among you:
- Leviticus 19:15 Ye shall do no unrighteousness in **judgments**:<sup>4941</sup> thou shalt not respect the person of the poor, nor honor the person of the mighty: but in righteousness shalt thou judge thy neighbor.
- Leviticus 19:35 Ye shall do no unrighteousness in **judgment**,<sup>4941</sup> in meteyard, in weight, or in measure.
- Leviticus 19:37 Therefore shall ye observe all my statutes, and all my **judgments**,<sup>4941</sup> and do them: I am the Lord.
- Leviticus 20:22 Ye shall therefore keep all my statutes, and all my **judgments**,<sup>4941</sup> and do them: that the land, whither I bring you to dwell therein, spew you not out.
- Leviticus 24:22 Ye shall have one **manner of law**,<sup>4941</sup> as well for the stranger, as for one of your own country: for I am the Lord your God.
- Leviticus 25:18 Wherefore ye shall do my statutes, and keep my **judgments**,<sup>4941</sup> and do them; and ye shall dwell in the land in safety.
- Leviticus 26:15 And if ye shall despise my statutes, or if your soul abhor my **judgments**,<sup>4941</sup> so that ye will not do all my commandments, but that ye break my covenant:
- Leviticus 26:43 The land also shall be left of them, and shall enjoy her sabbaths, while she lieth desolate without them: and they shall accept of the punishment of their iniquity: because, even because they despised my **judgments**,<sup>4941</sup> and because their soul abhorred my statutes.
- Deuteronomy 1:17 Ye shall not respect persons in **judgment**:<sup>4941</sup> but ye shall hear the small as well as the great; ye shall not be afraid of the face of man; for the **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> is God's: and the cause that is too hard for you, bring it unto me, and I will hear it.

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Deuteronomy 4:1 Now therefore hearken, O Israel, unto the statutes and unto the **judgments**,<sup>4941</sup> which I teach you, for to do them, that ye may live, and go in and possess the land which the Lord God of your fathers giveth you.

Deuteronomy 4:5 Behold, I have taught you statutes and **judgments**,<sup>4941</sup> even as the Lord my God commanded me, that ye should do so in the land whither ye go to possess it.

Deuteronomy 4:8 And what nation is there so great, that hath statutes and **judgments**<sup>4941</sup> so righteous as all this law, which I set before you this day?

Deuteronomy 4:14 And the Lord commanded me at that time to teach you statutes and **judgments**,<sup>4941</sup> that ye might do them in the land whither ye go over to possess it.

Deuteronomy 4:45 These are the testimonies, and the statutes, and the **judgments**,<sup>4941</sup> which Moses spoke unto the children of Israel, after they came forth out of Egypt,

Deuteronomy 5:1 And Moses called all Israel, and said unto them, Hear, O Israel, the statutes and **judgments**<sup>4941</sup> which I speak in your ears this day, that ye may learn them, and keep, and do them.

Deuteronomy 5:31 But as for thee, stand thou here by me, and I will speak unto thee all the commandments, and the statutes, and the **judgments**,<sup>4941</sup> which thou shalt teach them, that they may do them in the land which I give them to possess it.

Deuteronomy 6:1 Now these are the commandments, the statutes, and the **judgments**,<sup>4941</sup> which the Lord your God commanded to teach you, that ye might do them in the land whither ye go to possess it:

Deuteronomy 6:20 And when thy son asketh thee in time to come, saying, What mean the testimonies, and the statutes, and the **judgments**,<sup>4941</sup> which the Lord our God hath commanded you?

Deuteronomy 7:11 Thou shalt therefore keep the commandments, and the statutes, and the **judgments**,<sup>4941</sup> which I command thee this day, to do them.

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Deuteronomy 7:12 Wherefore it shall come to pass, if ye hearken to these **judgments**,<sup>4941</sup> and keep, and do them, that the Lord thy God shall keep unto thee the covenant and the mercy which he swore unto thy fathers:

Deuteronomy 8:11 Beware that thou forget not the Lord thy God, in not keeping his commandments, and his **judgments**,<sup>4941</sup> and his statutes, which I command thee this day:

Deuteronomy 10:18 He doth execute the **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> of the fatherless and widow, and loveth the stranger, in giving him food and raiment.

Deuteronomy 11:1 Therefore thou shalt love the Lord thy God, and keep his charge, and his statutes, and his **judgments**,<sup>4941</sup> and his commandments, always.

Deuteronomy 11:32 And ye shall observe to do all the statutes and **judgments**<sup>4941</sup> which I set before you this day.

Deuteronomy 12:1 These are the statutes and **judgments**,<sup>4941</sup> which ye shall observe to do in the land, which the Lord God of thy fathers giveth thee to possess it, all the days that ye live upon the earth.

Deuteronomy 16:18 Judges and officers shalt thou make thee in all thy gates, which the Lord thy God giveth thee, throughout thy tribes: and they shall judge the people with just **judgment**.<sup>4941</sup>

Deuteronomy 16:19 Thou shalt not wrest **judgment**;<sup>4941</sup> thou shalt not respect persons, neither take a gift: for a gift doth blind the eyes of the wise, and pervert the words of the righteous.

Deuteronomy 17:8 If there arise a matter too hard for thee in **judgment**,<sup>4941</sup> between blood and blood, between plea and plea, and between stroke and stroke, being matters of controversy within thy gates: then shalt thou arise, and get thee up into the place which the Lord thy God shall choose;

Deuteronomy 17:9 And thou shalt come unto the priests the Levites, and unto the judge that shall be in those days, and inquire; and they shall show thee the sentence of **judgment**:<sup>4941</sup>

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- Deuteronomy 17:11 According to the sentence of the law which they shall teach thee, and according to the **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> which they shall tell thee, thou shalt do: thou shalt not decline from the sentence which they shall show thee, to the right hand, nor to the left.
- Deuteronomy 18:3 And this shall be the priest's **due**<sup>4941</sup> from the people, from them that offer a sacrifice, whether it be ox or sheep; and they shall give unto the priest the shoulder, and the two cheeks, and the maw.
- Deuteronomy 19:6 Lest the avenger of the blood pursue the slayer, while his heart is hot, and overtake him, because the way is long, and slay him; whereas he was not **worthy of death**,<sup>4941</sup> inasmuch as he hated him not in time past.
- Deuteronomy 21:17 But he shall acknowledge the son of the hated for the firstborn, by giving him a double portion of all that he hath: for he is the beginning of his strength; the **right**<sup>4941</sup> of the firstborn is his.
- Deuteronomy 21:22 And if a man have committed a sin **worthy**<sup>4941</sup> of death, and he be to be put to death, and thou hang him on a tree:
- Deuteronomy 24:17 Thou shalt not pervert the **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> of the stranger, nor of the fatherless; nor take a widow's raiment to pledge:
- Deuteronomy 25:1 If there be a controversy between men, and they come unto **judgment**,<sup>4941</sup> that the judges may judge them; then they shall justify the righteous, and condemn the wicked.
- Deuteronomy 26:16 This day the Lord thy God hath commanded thee to do these statutes and **judgments**:<sup>4941</sup> thou shalt therefore keep and do them with all thine heart, and with all thy soul.
- Deuteronomy 26:17 Thou hast avouched the Lord this day to be thy God, and to walk in his ways, and to keep his statutes, and his commandments, and his **judgments**,<sup>4941</sup> and to hearken unto his voice:

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Deuteronomy 27:19 Cursed be he that perverteth the **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> of the stranger, fatherless, and widow. And all the people shall say, Amen.

Deuteronomy 30:16 In that I command thee this day to love the Lord thy God, to walk in his ways, and to keep his commandments and his statutes and his **judgments**,<sup>4941</sup> that thou mayest live and multiply: and the Lord thy God shall bless thee in the land whither thou goest to possess it.

Deuteronomy 32:4 He is the Rock, his work is perfect: for all his ways are **judgment**:<sup>4941</sup> a God of truth and without iniquity, just and right is he.

Deuteronomy 32:41 If I whet my glittering sword, and mine hand take hold on **judgment**:<sup>4941</sup> I will render vengeance to mine enemies, and will reward them that hate me.

Deuteronomy 33:10 They shall teach Jacob thy **judgments**,<sup>4941</sup> and Israel thy law: they shall put incense before thee, and whole burnt sacrifice upon thine altar.

Deuteronomy 33:21 And he provided the first part for himself, because there, in a portion of the lawgiver, was he seated; and he came with the heads of the people, he executed the justice of the Lord, and his **judgments**<sup>4941</sup> with Israel.

Psalms 1:5 Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the **judgment**,<sup>4941</sup> nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

Psalms 7:6 Arise, O Lord, in thine anger, lift up thyself because of the rage of mine enemies: and awake for me to the **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> that thou hast commanded.

Psalms 9:4 For thou hast maintained my **right**<sup>4941</sup> and my cause; thou satest in the throne judging right.

Psalms 9:7 But the Lord shall endure forever: he hath prepared his throne for **judgment**.<sup>4941</sup>

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- Psalm 9:16 The Lord is known by the **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> which he executeth: the wicked is snared in the work of his own hands. Higgaion. Selah.
- Psalm 10:5 His ways are always grievous; thy **judgments**<sup>4941</sup> are far above out of his sight: as for all his enemies, he puffeth at them.
- Psalm 17:2 Let my **sentence**<sup>4941</sup> come forth from thy presence; let thine eyes behold the things that are equal.
- Psalm 18:22 For all his **judgments**<sup>4941</sup> were before me, and I did not put away his statutes from me.
- Psalm 19:9 The fear of the Lord is clean, enduring forever: the **judgments**<sup>4941</sup> of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.
- Psalm 25:9 The meek will he guide in **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> and the meek will he teach his way.
- Psalm 33:5 He loveth righteousness and **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> the earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.
- Psalm 35:23 Stir up thyself, and awake to my **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> even unto my cause, my God and my Lord.
- Psalm 36:6 Thy righteousness is like the great mountains; thy **judgments**<sup>4941</sup> are a great deep: O Lord, thou preservest man and beast.
- Psalm 37:6 And he shall bring forth thy righteousness as the light, and thy **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> as the noonday.
- Psalm 37:28 For the Lord loveth **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> and forsaketh not his saints; they are preserved forever: but the seed of the wicked shall be cut off.

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- Psalm 37:30 The mouth of the righteous speaketh wisdom, and his tongue talketh of **judgment.**<sup>4941</sup>
- Psalm 48:11 Let mount Zion rejoice, let the daughters of Judah be glad, because of thy **judgments.**<sup>4941</sup>
- Psalm 72:1 A Psalm for Solomon. Give the king thy **judgments,**<sup>4941</sup> O God, and thy righteousness unto the king's son.
- Psalm 72:2 He shall judge thy people with righteousness, and thy poor with **judgment.**<sup>4941</sup>
- Psalm 76:9 When God arose to **judgment,**<sup>4941</sup> to save all the meek of the earth. Selah.
- Psalm 89:14 Justice and **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> are the habitation of thy throne: mercy and truth shall go before thy face.
- Psalm 94:15 But **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> shall return unto righteousness: and all the upright in heart shall follow it.
- Psalm 97:2 Clouds and darkness are round about him: righteousness and **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> are the habitation of his throne.
- Psalm 99:4 The king's strength also loveth **judgment;**<sup>4941</sup> thou dost establish equity, thou executest judgment and righteousness in Jacob.
- Psalm 103:6 The Lord executeth righteousness and **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> for all that are oppressed.
- Psalm 105:5 Remember his marvelous works that he hath done; his wonders, and the **judgments**<sup>4941</sup> of his mouth;
- Psalm 105:7 He is the Lord our God: his **judgments**<sup>4941</sup> are in all the earth.

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- Psalm 106:3 Blessed are they that keep **judgment**,<sup>4941</sup> and he that doeth righteousness at all times.
- Psalm 111:7 The works of his hands are verity and **judgment**,<sup>4941</sup> all his commandments are sure.
- Psalm 112:5 A good man showeth favor, and lendeth: he will guide his affairs with **discretion**.<sup>4941</sup>
- Psalm 119:7 I will praise thee with uprightness of heart, when I shall have learned thy righteous **judgment**.<sup>4941</sup>
- Psalm 119:13 With my lips have I declared all the **judgments**<sup>4941</sup> of thy mouth.
- Psalm 119:20 My soul breaketh for the longing that it hath unto thy **judgments**<sup>4941</sup> at all times.
- Psalm 119:30 I have chosen the way of truth: thy **judgments**<sup>4941</sup> have I laid before me.
- Psalm 119:39 Turn away my reproach which I fear: for thy **judgments**<sup>4941</sup> are good.
- Psalm 119:43 And take not the word of truth utterly out of my mouth; for I have hoped in thy **judgments**.<sup>4941</sup>
- Psalm 119:52 I remembered thy **judgments**<sup>4941</sup> of old, O Lord; and have comforted myself.
- Psalm 119:62 At midnight I will rise to give thanks unto thee because of thy righteous **judgments**.<sup>4941</sup>
- Psalm 119:75 I know, O Lord, that thy **judgments**<sup>4941</sup> are right, and that thou in faithfulness hast afflicted me.

Psalm 119:84 How many are the days of thy servant? when wilt thou execute **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> on them that persecute me?

Psalm 119:91 They continue this day according to thine **ordinances**<sup>4941</sup> for all are thy servants.

Psalm 119:102 I have not departed from thy **judgments**<sup>4941</sup> for thou hast taught me.

Psalm 119:106 I have sworn, and I will perform it, that I will keep thy righteous **judgments**<sup>4941</sup>

Psalm 119:108 Accept, I beseech thee, the freewill offerings of my mouth, O Lord, and teach me thy **judgments**<sup>4941</sup>

Psalm 119:120 My flesh trembleth for fear of thee; and I am afraid of thy **judgments**<sup>4941</sup>

Psalm 119:121 I have done **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> and justice: leave me not to mine oppressors.

Psalm 119:132 Look thou upon me, and be merciful unto me, as thou **usest to do**<sup>4941</sup> unto those that love thy name.

Psalm 119:137 Righteous art thou, O Lord, and upright are thy **judgments**<sup>4941</sup>

Psalm 119:149 Hear my voice according unto thy lovingkindness: O Lord, quicken me according to thy **judgment**<sup>4941</sup>

Psalm 119:156 Great are thy tender mercies, O Lord: quicken me according to thy **judgments**<sup>4941</sup>

Psalm 119:160 Thy word is true from the beginning: and every one of thy righteous **judgments**<sup>4941</sup> endureth forever.

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Psalm 119:164 Seven times a day do I praise thee because of thy righteous **judgments**.<sup>4941</sup>

Psalm 119:175 Let my soul live, and it shall praise thee; and let thy **judgments**<sup>4941</sup> help me.

Psalm 122:5 For there are set thrones of **judgments**,<sup>4941</sup> the thrones of the house of David.

Psalm 140:12 I know that the Lord will maintain the cause of the afflicted, and the **right**<sup>4941</sup> of the poor.

Psalm 143:2 And enter not into **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> with thy servant: for in thy sight shall no man living be justified.

Psalm 146:7 Which executeth **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> for the oppressed: which giveth food to the hungry. The Lord looseth the prisoners:

Psalm 147:19 He showeth his word unto Jacob, his statutes and his **judgments**<sup>4941</sup> unto Israel.

Psalm 147:20 He hath not dealt so with any nation: and as for his **judgments**,<sup>4941</sup> they have not known them. Praise ye the Lord.

Psalm 149:9 To execute upon them the **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> written: this honor have all his saints. Praise ye the Lord.

Proverbs 1:3 To receive the instruction of wisdom, justice, and **judgment**,<sup>4941</sup> and equity;

Proverbs 2:8 He keepeth the paths of **judgment**,<sup>4941</sup> and preserveth the way of his saints.

Proverbs 2:9 Then shalt thou understand righteousness, and **judgment**,<sup>4941</sup> and equity; yea, every good path.

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Proverbs 8:20 I lead in the way of righteousness, in the midst of the paths of **judgment.**<sup>4941</sup>

Proverbs 12:5 The thoughts of the righteous are **right:**<sup>4941</sup> but the counsels of the wicked are deceit.

Proverbs 13:23 Much food is in the tillage of the poor: but there is that is destroyed for want of **judgment.**<sup>4941</sup>

Proverbs 16:8 Better is a little with righteousness than great revenues without **right.**<sup>4941</sup>

Proverbs 16:10 A divine sentence is in the lips of the king: his mouth transgresseth not in **judgment.**<sup>4941</sup>

Proverbs 16:11 A **just**<sup>4941</sup> weight and balance are the Lord's: all the weights of the bag are his work.

Proverbs 16:33 The lot is cast into the lap; but the whole **disposing**<sup>4941</sup> thereof is of Lord.

Proverbs 17:23 A wicked man taketh a gift out of the bosom to pervert the ways of **judgment.**<sup>4941</sup>

Proverbs 18:5 It is not good to accept the person of the wicked, to overthrow the righteous in **judgment.**<sup>4941</sup>

Proverbs 19:28 An ungodly witness scorneth **judgment:**<sup>4941</sup> and the mouth of the wicked devoureth iniquity.

Proverbs 21:3 To do justice and **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> is more acceptable to the Lord than sacrifice.

Proverbs 21:7 The robbery of the wicked shall destroy them; because they refuse to do **judgment.**<sup>4941</sup>

Proverbs 21:15 It is joy to the just to do **judgment:**<sup>4941</sup> but destruction shall be to the workers of iniquity.

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Proverbs 24:23 These things also belong to the wise. It is not good to have respect of persons in **judgment.**<sup>4941</sup>

Proverbs 28:5 Evil men understand not **judgment:**<sup>4941</sup> but they that seek the Lord understand all things.

Proverbs 29:4 The king by **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> establisheth the land: but he that receiveth gifts overthroweth it.

Proverbs 29:26 Many seek the ruler's favor; but every man's **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> cometh from the Lord.

Ecclesiastes 3:16 And moreover I saw under the sun the place of **judgment,**<sup>4941</sup> that wickedness was there; and the place of righteousness, that iniquity was there.

Ecclesiastes 5:8 If thou seest the oppression of the poor, and violent perverting of **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> and justice in a province, marvel not at the matter: for he that is higher than the highest regardeth; and there be higher than they.

Ecclesiastes 8:5 Whoso keepeth the commandment shall feel no evil thing: and a wise man's heart discerneth both time and **judgment.**<sup>4941</sup>

Ecclesiastes 8:6 Because to every purpose there is time and **judgment,**<sup>4941</sup> therefore the misery of man is great upon him.

Ecclesiastes 11:9 Rejoice, O young man, in thy youth; and let thy heart cheer thee in the days of thy youth, and walk in the ways of thine heart, and in the sight of thine eyes: but know thou, that for all these things God will bring thee into **judgment.**<sup>4941</sup>

Ecclesiastes 12:14 For God shall bring every work into **judgment,**<sup>4941</sup> with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil.

Isaiah 1:17 Learn to do well; seek **judgment,**<sup>4941</sup> relieve the oppressed, judge the fatherless, plead for the widow.

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- Isaiah 1:21 How is the faithful city become a harlot! it was full of **judgment**,<sup>4941</sup> righteousness lodged in it; but now murderers.
- Isaiah 1:27 Zion shall be redeemed with **judgment**,<sup>4941</sup> and her converts with righteousness.
- Isaiah 3:14 The Lord will enter into **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> with the ancients of his people, and the princes thereof: for ye have eaten up the vineyard; the spoil of the poor is in your houses.
- Isaiah 4:4 When the Lord shall have washed away the filth of the daughters of Zion, and shall have purged the blood of Jerusalem from the midst thereof by the spirit of **judgment**,<sup>4941</sup> and by the spirit of burning.
- Isaiah 5:7 For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel, and the men of Judah his pleasant plant: and he looked for **judgment**,<sup>4941</sup> but behold oppression; for righteousness, but behold a cry.
- Isaiah 5:16 But the Lord of hosts shall be exalted in **judgment**,<sup>4941</sup> and God that is holy shall be sanctified in righteousness.
- Isaiah 9:7 Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> and with justice from henceforth even forever. The zeal of the Lord perform this.
- Isaiah 10:2 To turn aside the needy from **judgment**,<sup>4941</sup> and to take away the right from the poor of my people, that prey, and that widows may be their prey, and that they may rob the fatherless!
- Isaiah 16:5 And in mercy shall the throne be established: and he shall sit upon it in truth in the tabernacle of David, judging, and seeking **judgment**,<sup>4941</sup> and hasting righteousness.
- Isaiah 26:8 Yea, in the way of thy **judgments**,<sup>4941</sup> O Lord, have we waited for thee; the desire of our soul is to thy name, and to the remembrance of thee.

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- Isaiah 26:9 With my soul have I desired thee in the night; yea, with my spirit within me will I seek thee early: for when thy **judgments**<sup>4941</sup> are in the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness.
- Isaiah 28:6 And for a spirit of **judgments**<sup>4941</sup> to him that sitteth in **judgment**,<sup>4941</sup> and for strength to them that turn the battle to the gate.
- Isaiah 28:17 **Judgment**<sup>4941</sup> also will I lay to the line, and righteousness to the plummet: and the hail shall sweep away the refuge of lies, and the waters shall overflow the hiding place.
- Isaiah 28:26 For his God doth instruct him to **discretion**,<sup>4941</sup> and doth teach him.
- Isaiah 30:18 And therefore will the Lord wait, that he may be gracious unto you, and therefore will he be exalted, that he may have mercy upon you: for the Lord is a God of **judgment**:<sup>4941</sup> blessed are all they that wait for him.
- Isaiah 32:1 Behold, a king shall reign in righteousness, and princes shall rule in **judgment**.<sup>4941</sup>
- Isaiah 32:7 The instruments also of the churl are evil: he deviseth wicked devices to destroy the poor with lying words, even when the needy speaketh **right**.<sup>4941</sup>
- Isaiah 32:16 Then **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> shall dwell in the wilderness, and righteousness remain in the fruitful field.
- Isaiah 33:5 The Lord is exalted; for he dwelleth on high: he hath filled Zion with **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> and righteousness.
- Isaiah 34:5 For my sword shall be bathed in heaven: behold, it shall come down upon Idumea, and upon the people of my curse, to **judgment**.<sup>4941</sup>
- Isaiah 40:14 With whom took he counsel, and who instructed him, and taught him in the path of **judgment**,<sup>4941</sup> and taught him knowledge, and showed to him the way of understanding?

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- Isaiah 40:27 Why sayest thou, O Jacob, and speakest, O Israel, My way is hid Lord, and my **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> is passed over from my God?
- Isaiah 41:1 Keep silence before me, O islands; and let the people renew their strength: let them come near; then let them speak: let us come near together to **judgment**.<sup>4941</sup>
- Isaiah 42:1 Behold my servant, whom I uphold; mine elect, in whom my soul delighteth; I have put my spirit upon him: He shall bring forth **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> to the Gentiles.
- Isaiah 42:3 A bruised reed shall he not break, and the smoking flax shall he not quench: he shall bring forth **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> unto truth.
- Isaiah 42:4 He shall not fail nor be discouraged, till he have set **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> in the earth: and the isles shall wait for his law.
- Isaiah 49:4 Then I said, I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for naught, and in vain: yet surely my **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> is with the Lord, and my work with my God.
- Isaiah 50:8 He is near that justifieth me; who will contend with me? let us stand together: who is mine **adversary?**<sup>4941</sup> let him come near to me.
- Isaiah 51:4 Hearken unto me, my people; and give ear unto me, O my nation: for a law shall proceed from me, and I will make my **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> to rest for a light of the people
- Isaiah 53:8 He was taken from prison and from **judgment**:<sup>4941</sup> and who shall declare his generation? for he was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgression of my people was he stricken.
- Isaiah 54:17 No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord, and their righteousness is of me, saith the Lord.

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- Isaiah 56:1 Thus saith the Lord, Keep ye **judgment**,<sup>4941</sup> and do justice: for my salvation is near to come, and my righteousnes to be revealed.
- Isaiah 58:2 Yet they seek me daily, and delight to know my ways, as a nation that did righteousness, and forsook not the **ordinance**<sup>4941</sup> of their God: they ask of me the **ordinances**<sup>4941</sup> of justice; they take delight in approaching to God.
- Isaiah 59:8 The way of peace they know not; and there is no **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> in their goings: they have made them crooked paths: whosoever goeth therein shall not know peace.
- Isaiah 59:9 Therefore **is judgment far**<sup>4941</sup> from us, neither doth justice overtake us: we wait for light, but behold obscurity; for brightness, but we walk in darkness.
- Isaiah 59:11 We roar all like bears, and mourn sore like doves: we look for **judgment**,<sup>4941</sup> but there is none; for salvation, but it is far off from us.
- Isaiah 59:14 And **judgment**<sup>4941</sup> is turned away backward, and justice standeth afar off: for truth is fallen in the street, and equity cannot enter.
- Isaiah 59:15 Yea, truth faileth; and he that departeth from evil maketh himself a prey: and the Lord saw it, and it displeased him that there was no **judgment**.<sup>4941</sup>
- Isaiah 61:8 For I the Lord love **judgment**,<sup>4941</sup> I hate robbery for burnt offering; and I will direct their work in truth, and I will make an everlasting covenant with them.