Proverbs 27

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ADONAI TABOWN (L-RD of Intelligence and Understanding), only You know the depths of wickedness. Only You are able to discern it’s root. You reveal the nature of human jealousy. You show how dark it is; how it opens doors to all manner of evil actions. You equate comparing ourselves against others to lacking understanding and praising ourselves with being a fool. Forgive us Abba for how lightly we have taken Your greatest commandments (Mark 12.30-31).

Thank You, Abba Kadosh (Our Father, who is Holy), for Your careful and attentive instruction. Thank You for knowing our ignorance and turning towards us tenderly. Thank You for looking upon us with the love of a Prudent Father who is making every effort to give us success and keep us from evil, both without and within. Thank You for being so Faithful to Your own word that You see us according to Your purposes and plans for us, instead of our present state (Isaiah 46.10). Thank You for investing in us so greatly and sealing us with Your Spirit. Thank You for determining to transform us into sons and daughters who gladden Your heart and walk in Your wisdom, instead of answering us according to our criticism and foolish provocation.

May the power of Your astonishing love break the hardness of our hearts. May Your manifold wisdom and Your mighty acts humble us. Please transform us from rash, thoughtless, proud, arrogant boasters who speak without understanding; into a people who revere, obey and walk circumspect before You. Deliver us, ADONAI, from controlling spirits and carnality. We lack restraint, propriety and discretion, save us! You alone hold the knowledge for waging victorious warfare in the spirit (John 6.63). You alone can lead us safely through every test. The Ruach HaKodesh (Holy Spirit) has shown us our hearts just as water reflects the face. We acknowledge that our character is in need of sharpening. You are The Husbandman, please prune us!

You are The Good Shepherd who carefully tends Your flocks. You are our Sustainer. You are a Skillful Provider who identifies opportunities. You discern treasure from refuse. You know what will quickly fade away and what will last. Not only do You house pure wisdom from above, but You willingly and generously give it to us. You teach us so that not only we are kept in Your Shalom, but we become those who are able to cry out to others who are hungry for Your sweet care to flee the Adversary’s bitter insincerity and hide themselves in You.

ADONAI ELOHIM, Your Word endures forever! Sure are Your ways! Season after season You hedge us in and preserve us. All Your provision stretches, multiples, extends and grows! Every victory, every lesson, every warning, every correction, every answer, every kindness. Everything You do is alive, established and increasing! Blessed are You, The Only Wise G-D. May Your Name be honored and kept Holy by Your people.