# **EXODUS Chapter 23**

### Verse 1

**Proverbs 19:1-7** Better is a poor man who walks in his integrity Than he who is perverse in speech and is a fool. 2 Also it is not good for a person to be without knowledge, And he who makes haste with his feet errs. 3 The foolishness of man subverts his way, And his heart rages against the LORD. 4 Wealth adds many friends, But a poor man is separated from his friend. 5 A false witness will not go unpunished, And he who tells lies will not escape. 6 Many will entreat the favor of a generous man, And every man is a friend to him who gives gifts. 7 All the brothers of a poor man hate him; How much more do his friends go far from him! He pursues them with words, but they are gone.

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<u>Proverbs 6:16-19</u> There are six things which the LORD hates, Yes, seven which are an abomination to Him: 17 Haughty eyes, a lying tongue, And hands that shed innocent blood, 18 A heart that devises wicked plans, Feet that run rapidly to evil, 19 A false witness who utters lies, And one who spreads strife among brothers.

Verse 8

<u>Deuteronomy 16:19</u> You shall not distort justice; you shall not be partial, and you shall not take a bribe, for a bribe blinds the eyes of the wise and perverts the words of the righteous.

#### Verse 8

Proverbs 15:27 He who profits illicitly troubles his own house, But he who hates bribes will live.

# Verse 12

Leviticus 25:20-23 But if you say, "What are we going to eat on the seventh year if we do not sow or gather in our crops?" 21 then I will so order My blessing for you in the sixth year that it will bring forth the crop for three years. 22 'When you are sowing the eighth year, you can still eat old things from the crop, eating the old until the ninth year when its crop comes in. 23 'The land, moreover, shall not be sold permanently, for the land is Mine; for you are but aliens and sojourners with Me.

Hebrews 4:1-2 Therefore, let us fear lest, while a promise remains of entering His rest, any one of you should seem to have come short of it. 2 For indeed we have had good news preached to us, just as they also; but the word they heard did not profit them, because it was not united by faith in those who heard. Hebrews 4:3-4 For we who have believed enter that rest, just as He has said, "As I swore in My wrath, They shall not enter My rest," although His works were finished from the foundation of the world. 4 For He has thus said somewhere concerning the seventh day, "And God rested on the seventh day from all His works";

Hebrews 4:5-10 and again in this passage, "They shall not enter My rest." <sup>6</sup> Since therefore it remains for some to enter it, and those who formerly had good news preached to them failed to enter because of disobedience, <sup>7</sup> He again fixes a certain day, "Today," saying through David after so long a time just as has been said before, "Today if you hear His voice, Do not harden your hearts." <sup>8</sup> For if Joshua had given them rest, He would not have spoken of another day after that. <sup>9</sup> There remains therefore a Sabbath rest for the people of God. <sup>10</sup> For the one who has entered His rest has himself also rested from his works, as God did from His.

Hebrews 4:11-13 Let us therefore be diligent to enter that rest, lest anyone fall through following the same example of disobedience. <sup>12</sup> For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. <sup>13</sup> And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are open and laid bare to the eyes of Him with whom we have to do.

## **Connected to verse 12**

Leviticus 23:15-17 You shall also count for yourselves from the day after the sabbath, from the day when you brought in the sheaf of the wave offering; there shall be seven complete sabbaths. <sup>16</sup> 'You shall count fifty days to the day after the seventh sabbath; then you shall present a new grain offering to the LORD. <sup>17</sup> 'You shall bring in from your dwelling places two loaves of bread for a wave offering, made of two-tenths of an ephah; they shall be of a fine flour, baked with leaven as first fruits to the LORD.

fifty days (the meaning of the Greek word "Pentecost") after first fruits, two loves of bread were offered for the people, along with grain, drink, sin, and peace offerings. The loaves, made with leaven, typified the formation of the Church on the day of Pentecost. The Church, the Body of Christ, is composed of sinners (leaven typifies sin; see note on Exodus 12:15-20) who are saved by the grace of God.