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(#100) The Proverbs of Solomon 15:25- True Home Wreckers

Since God Created humans, only God can provide specific understanding of human behavior. God gave Solomon Divine Wisdom (**1 Kings Chapters 3 and 10**) to explain what and why behavior is as it is, and **Proverbs 10:1 - 24:34** are randomly written, as if they were Judgments Solomon made about individual cases brought to him for Divine Wisdom (**1 Kings Chapters 3 and 10**), or simply God-given explanations about life. New Testament passages may help see the continuation of Wisdom offered through Jesus Christ.

Proverbs 15:25:

The LORD will destroy the house of the proud, but He will establish the boundary of the widow.

"The proud" probably would bring down their own "house" even before God would "destroy" it. "Proud" is a sin listed along with "disobedient to parents" (**Romans 1:30; 2 Timothy 3:2**), and home and marriage require humility (**Ephesians 5:33-6:4**). Since "Pride goes before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall" (**Proverbs 16:18**), then "Everyone proud in heart is an abomination to the LORD" (**Proverbs 16:5**). God hates this destructive attitude (**Proverbs 6:16-19**), therefore "the pride of life-- is not of the Father but is of the world" (**1 John 2:17**). "Being puffed up with pride," causes one to fall into the same "condemnation as the Devil" (**1 Timothy 3:6**). "God resists the proud" (**1 Peter 5:5**).

God has done as He said, whenever He has wanted to:

"I will punish the world for its evil, and the wicked for their iniquity; I will halt the arrogance of the proud, and will lay low the haughtiness of the terrible." (**Isaiah 13:11**)

This has been done many times:

- The world-wide flood in Noah's day (**Genesis 6:5-8**);
- The Babylonian Empire (**Isaiah 13:17-22**);
- The Roman Empire (**Luke 2:1; Acts 11:28**);
- The Jewish Nation (**Luke 21:20-24; 1 Thessalonians 2:14-16**); and
- It will be done for the end of all empires (**2 Peter 3:9-13**).

"The boundary of the widow" is provision for her support, so all those who submit to God in every age are aware of the provision(s) God has for "widows." He is



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Jehovah, "A father of the fatherless, a defender of widows, *Is* God in His holy habitation" (**Psalm 68:5**). The hallmarks of "pure religion" for Christians are to:
Visit orphans and widows in their trouble, and to keep oneself unspotted from the world. (**James 1:27**)

"The proud" overlook the welfare of widows, and greedily price, tax or devour widows out of existence! This proverb is still true!

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