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21_ECC_08_01 Who [is] as the wise [man]? and who knoweth the interpretation of a thing? a man's wisdom maketh his face to shine, and the boldness of his face shall be changed.

21_ECC_08_02 I [counsel thee] to keep the king's commandment, and [that] in regard of the oath of God.

21_ECC_08_03 Be not hasty to go out of his sight: stand not in an evil thing; for he doeth whatsoever pleaseth him.

21_ECC_08_04 Where the word of a king [is, there is] power: and who may say unto him, What doest thou?

21_ECC_08_05 Whoso keepeth the commandment shall feel no evil thing: and a wise man's heart discerneth both time and judgment.

21_ECC_08_06 Because to every purpose there is time and judgment, therefore the misery of man [is] great upon him.

21_ECC_08_07 For he knoweth not that which shall be: for who can tell him when it shall be?

21_ECC_08_08 [There is] no man that hath power over the spirit to retain the spirit; neither [hath he] power in the day of death: and [there is] no discharge in [that] war; neither shall wickedness deliver those that are given to it.

21_ECC_08_09 All this have I seen, and applied my heart unto every work that is done under the sun: [there is] a time wherein one man ruleth over another to his own hurt.

21_ECC_08_10 And so I saw the wicked buried, who had come and gone from the place of the holy, and they were forgotten in the city where they had so done: this [is] also vanity.

21_ECC_08_11 Because sentence against an evil work is not executed speedily, therefore the heart of the sons of men is fully set in them to do evil.

21_ECC_08_12 Though a sinner do evil an hundred times, and his [days] be prolonged, yet surely I know that it shall be well with them that fear God, which fear before him:

21_ECC_08_13 But it shall not be well with the wicked, neither shall he prolong [his] days, [which are] as a shadow; because he feareth not before God.

21_ECC_08_14 There is a vanity which is done upon the earth; that there be just [men], unto whom it happeneth according to the work of the wicked; again, there be wicked [men], to whom it happeneth according to the work of the righteous: I said that this also [is] vanity.

21_ECC_08_15 Then I commended mirth, because a man hath no better thing under the sun, than to eat, and to drink, and to be merry: for that shall abide with him of his labour the days of his life, which God giveth him under the sun.

21_ECC_08_16 When I applied mine heart to know wisdom, and to see the business that is done upon the earth: [for also [there is that] neither day nor night seeth sleep with his eyes:]

21_ECC_08_17 Then I beheld all the work of God, that a man cannot find out the work that is done under the sun: because though a man labour to seek [it] out, yet he shall not find [it]; yea farther; though a wise [man] think to know [it], yet shall he not be able to find [it].