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PSALM 18:28-36

For You cause my lamp to be lighted and to shine; the Lord my God illumines my darkness. For by You I can run through a troop, and by my God I can leap over a wall. As for God, His way is perfect! The Word of the Lord is tested and tried; He is a shield to all those who take refuge and put their trust in Him.

For who is God except the Lord? Or who is the Rock save our God, The God who girds me with strength and makes my way perfect?

He makes my feet like hinds' feet [able to stand firmly or make progress on the dangerous heights of testing and trouble]; He sets me securely upon my high places.

He teaches my hands to war, so that my arms can bend a bow of bronze.

You have also given me the shield of Your salvation, and Your right hand has held me up:

Your gentleness has made me great. You have given plenty of room for my steps under me, that my feet would not slip.

GALATIANS 5:22

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, *gentleness*, and self-control; against such things there is no law.

JAMES 3:13-17

Who among you is wise and understanding? Let him show by his good behavior and his deeds in the *gentleness of wisdom*. But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your heart, do not be arrogant and so lie against the truth. This wisdom is earthly, natural, demonic. For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there is disorder and every evil thing. *But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, reasonable, full of mercy and good fruits, unwavering, without hypocrisy.*

PROVERBS 15:1

A *soft answer* turns away wrath, but grievous words stir up anger.



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I PETER 3:15-16

But sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts, always being ready to make a defense to everyone who asks you to give an account for the hope that is in you, yet with *gentleness* and reverence; and keep a good conscience so that in the thing in which you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ will be put to shame.

PROVERBS 15:4

A *gentle* tongue [with its healing power] is a tree of life, but willful contrariness in it breaks down the spirit.

PSALM 145:8

The Lord is gracious and merciful; *slow to anger* and great in lovingkindness.

PROVERBS 16:32

He who is *slow to anger* is better than the mighty, and he who rules his spirit, than he who captures a city.

I TIMOTHY 6:10-11

For the love of money is a root of all sorts of evil, and some by longing for it have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs. But flee from these things, you man of God and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, perseverance and *gentleness*.

2 TIMOTHY 2:24-26

The Lord's bond-servant must *not be quarrelsome, but be kind to all*, able to teach, patient when wronged, with *gentleness* correcting those who are in opposition, if perhaps God may grant them repentance leading to the knowledge of the truth, and they may come to their senses and escape from the snare of the devil, having been held captive by him to do his will.