

Proverbs 3:5

***Trust in the LORD with all
your heart and lean not on
your own understanding***



**70 Types of People in
Proverbs Expressed by
Solomon**

This Outline Gives Insights about:

Slothful & Sluggard Person

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70 TYPES OF PEOPLE IN PROVERBS EXPRESSED BY SOLOMON

1. Simple Person
2. Wise Person
3. Man of Understanding
4. Fool
5. Innocent
6. Scorner
7. Evil Person
8. Froward Person
9. Wicked
10. Strange Woman
11. Upright
12. Transgressor
13. Cruel Person
14. **SLUGGARD**
15. Naughty Person
16. False Witness
17. Whorish woman
18. Adulteress
19. Thief
20. Harlot
21. Poor Person
22. Diligent Person
23. Rich Person
24. Unjust
25. Hypocrite
26. Talebearer
27. Faithful Person
28. Gracious Person
29. Brutish Person
30. Virtuous Person
31. Perverse Person
32. Vain Person
33. Prudent Person
34. **SLOTHFUL PERSON**
35. Backslider
36. Angry Person
37. Deceiver
38. Hasty of Spirit
39. Envious Person
40. Wrathful Person
41. Proud Person
42. Pure Person
43. Prideful Person
44. Haughty Person
45. Humble Person
46. Lowly Person
47. Whisperer
48. Violent Person
49. Liar
50. Waster
51. Brother
52. Ungodly
53. Mocker
54. Brawling Woman
55. Contentious Person
56. Furious Person
57. Riotous Eaters of Flesh
58. Drunkard
59. Glutton
60. Mischievous Person
61. Reprover
62. Unfaithful Person
63. Backbiter
64. Conceited Person
65. Flatterer
66. Destroyer
67. Bloodthirsty
68. Odious Woman
69. Greedy Person
70. Borrower, Buyer, Lender

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Each study for the 70 types of people presented in “Solomon” has a corresponding short verbal introduction page. Likewise a full **Hebrew** and **Greek** study will follow.

Proverbs 6:6

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Proverbs 10:26

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Proverbs 13:4

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Proverbs 18:9

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Slothfulness casteth into a deep sleep; and an **idle** soul shall suffer hunger. (constant delay)

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Proverbs 26:16

The **sluggard** is **wiser in his own conceit** than seven men that can render a reason.

Ecclesiastes 10:18

By much slothfulness the building decayeth; and through **idleness** of the hands the house droppeth through.

Matthew 25:26

His lord answered and said unto him, *Thou* wicked and **slothful servant**, thou knewest that I reap where I sowed not, and gather where I have not strawed:

Romans 12:11

Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord; (best)

Philippians 3:1

Finally, my brethren, rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things to you, to me indeed is not **grievous**, but for you it is safe.

Hebrews 5:11

Of whom we have many things to say, and hard to be uttered, seeing ye are **dull** of hearing.

Hebrews 6:12

That ye be not **slothful**, but **followers of them who** through faith and patience inherit the promises.

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Greek	Word	Word	Page
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Nothros	no-thros'	sluggish, that is, (literally) lazy, or (figuratively) stupid: KJV- dull, slothful.	19

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Proverbs 24:30

“I went by the field of the **slothful**, and by the vineyard of the man void of understanding;
31 And, lo, it was all grown over with thorns, *And* nettles had covered the face thereof,
And the stone wall thereof was broken down. 32 Then I saw, *and* considered *it* well:
I looked upon *it*, *and* received instruction. 33 *Yet* a little sleep, a little slumber, A little
folding of the hands to sleep: 34 So shall thy poverty come *as* one that travelleth;
And thy want as an armed man.

Sluggard

1. One should watch how ants are self-motivated to work
2. But are motivated to sleep
3. If they are helping you, they tend to destroy and distort
4. When you talk to them, they think they are better than others (conceited)
5. They always put off doing things and have nothing
6. They want and want but have nothing

Slothful

1. A Slothful person is always fearful
2. Thinks about eating but will not use his hands to work at feeding himself if he can but expects others to do this
3. As a hinge turns a door, the Slothful turn to the other side in bed to sleep more
4. They try to take the short cut in work and life, has hassles
5. His desire drives him crazy as it far exceeds the willingness to work
6. What he has will be destroyed

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remîyâh - *rem-ee-yaw'* - *remissness, treachery*:

KJV - *deceit (-ful, -fully), false, guile, idle, slack, slothful.*

Job 13:7

“Will ye speak wickedly for God? and talk *deceitfully* for him?”

Job 27:4

“My lips shall not speak wickedness, nor my tongue utter *deceit.*”

Psalms 32:2

“Blessed is the man unto whom the LORD imputeth not iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no *guile.*”

Psalms 52:2

“Thy tongue deviseth mischiefs; like a sharp razor, working *deceitfully.*”

Psalms 78:57

“But turned back, and dealt unfaithfully like their fathers: they were turned aside like a *deceitful* bow.”

Psalms 101:7

“He that worketh *deceit* shall not dwell within my house: he that telleth lies shall not tarry in my sight.”

Psalms 120:2-3

“Deliver my soul, O LORD, from lying lips, and from a *deceitful* tongue.
3What shall be given unto thee? or what shall be done unto thee, thou *false* tongue?”

Proverbs 10:4

“He becometh poor that dealeth with a *slack* hand: but the hand of the diligent maketh rich.”

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Jeremiah 48:10

“Cursed be he that doeth the work of the LORD *deceitfully*, and cursed be he that keepeth back his sword from blood.”

Hosea 7:16

“They return, but not to the most High: they are like a *deceitful* bow: their princes shall fall by the sword for the rage of their tongue: this shall be their derision in the land of Egypt.”

Micah 6:12

“For the rich men thereof are full of violence, and the inhabitants thereof have spoken lies, and their tongue is *deceitful* in their mouth.”

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Exodus 4:26

"*So he let* him *go*: then she said, A bloody husband thou art, because of the circumcision."

Exodus 5:8

"And the tale of the bricks, which they did make heretofore, ye shall lay upon them; ye shall not diminish ought thereof: for they be *idle*; therefore they cry, saying, Let us go and sacrifice to our God."

Exodus 5:17

"But he said, Ye are *idle*, ye are *idle*: therefore ye say, Let us go and do sacrifice to the LORD."

Deuteronomy 4:31

"(For the LORD thy God is a merciful God;) *he will* not *forsake thee*, neither destroy thee, nor forget the covenant of thy fathers which he swore unto them."

Deuteronomy 9:14

"*Let* me *alone*, that I may destroy them, and blot out their name from under heaven: and I will make of thee a nation mightier and greater than they."

Deuteronomy 31:6

"Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them: for the LORD thy God, he it is that doth go with thee; *he will* not *fail thee*, nor forsake thee."

Deuteronomy 31:8

"And the LORD, he it is that doth go before thee; he will be with thee, *he will* not *fail thee*, neither forsake thee: fear not, neither be dismayed."

Joshua 1:5

"There shall not any man be able to stand before thee all the days of thy life: as I was with Moses, so I will be with thee: *I will* not *fail thee*, nor forsake thee."

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Joshua 10:6

“And the men of Gibeon sent unto Joshua to the camp to Gilgal, saying, *Slack* not thy hand from thy servants; come up to us quickly, and save us, and help us: for all the kings of the Amorites that dwell in the mountains are gathered together against us.”

Joshua 18:3

“And Joshua said unto the children of Israel, How long are ye *slack* to go to possess the land, which the LORD God of your fathers hath given you?”

Judges 8:3

“God hath delivered into your hands the princes of Midian, Oreb and Zeeb: and what was I able to do in comparison of you? Then their anger *was abated* toward him, when he had said that.”

Judges 11:37

“And she said unto her father, Let this thing be done for me: *let* me *alone* two months, that I may go up and down upon the mountains, and bewail my virginity, I and my fellows.”

Judges 19:9

“And when the man rose up to depart, he, and his concubine, and his servant, his father in law, the damsel's father, said unto him, Behold, now the day *draweth* toward evening, I pray you tarry all night: behold, the day groweth to an end, lodge here, that thine heart may be merry; and to morrow get you early on your way, that thou mayest go home.”

I Samuel 11:3

“And the elders of Jabesh said unto him, *Give* us seven days' *respite*, that we may send messengers unto all the coasts of Israel: and then, if there be no man to save us, we will come out to thee.”

I Samuel 15:16

“Then Samuel said unto Saul, *Stay*, and I will tell thee what the LORD hath said to me this night. And he said unto him, Say on.”

II Samuel 4:1

“*And* when Saul's son heard that Abner was dead in Hebron, his hands *were feeble*, and all the Israelites were troubled.”

II Samuel 24:16

“And when the angel stretched out his hand upon Jerusalem to destroy it, the LORD repented him of the evil, and said to the angel that destroyed the people, It is enough: *stay* now thine hand. And the angel of the LORD was by the threshingplace of Araunah the Jebusite.”

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II Kings 4:27

“And when she came to the man of God to the hill, she caught him by the feet: but Gehazi came near to thrust her away. And the man of God said, *Let* her *alone*; for her soul is vexed within her: and the LORD hath hid it from me, and hath not told me.”

I Chronicles 21:15

“And God sent an angel unto Jerusalem to destroy it: and as he was destroying, the LORD beheld, and he repented him of the evil, and said to the angel that destroyed, It is enough, *stay* now thine hand. And the angel of the LORD stood by the threshingfloor of Ornan the Jebusite.”

I Chronicles 28:20

“And David said to Solomon his son, Be strong and of good courage, and do it: fear not, nor be dismayed: for the LORD God, even my God, will be with thee; *he will* not *fail thee*, nor forsake thee, until thou hast finished all the work for the service of the house of the LORD.”

II Chronicles 15:7

“Be ye strong therefore, and *let* not your hands *be weak*: for your work shall be rewarded.”

Ezra 4:4

“Then the people of the land *weakened* the hands of the people of Judah, and troubled them in building,”

Nehemiah 6:3

“And I sent messengers unto them, saying, I am doing a great work, so that I cannot come down: why should the work cease, whilst *I leave it*, and come down to you?”

Nehemiah 6:9

“For they all made us afraid, saying, Their hands *shall be weakened* from the work, that it be not done. Now therefore, O God, strengthen my hands.”

Job 7:19

“How long wilt thou not depart from me, nor *let me alone* till I swallow down my spittle?”

Job 12:21

“He poureth contempt upon princes, and *weakeneth* the strength of the mighty.”

Job 27:6

“My righteousness I hold fast, and *will* not *let it go*: my heart shall not reproach me so long as I live.”

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Psalms 37:8

“*Cease* from anger, and forsake wrath: fret not thyself in any wise to do evil.”

Psalms 46:10

“*Be still*, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth.”

Psalms 138:8

“The LORD will perfect that which concerneth me: thy mercy, O LORD, endureth for ever: *forsake* not the works of thine own hands.”

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“If *thou faint* in the day of adversity, thy strength is small.”

Song of Solomon 3:4

“It was but a little that I passed from them, but I found him whom my soul loveth: I held him, and *would* not *let him go*, until I had brought him into my mother's house, and into the chamber of her that conceived me.”

Isaiah 5:24

“Therefore as the fire devoureth the stubble, and the flame *consumeth* the chaff, so their root shall be as rottenness, and their blossom shall go up as dust: because they have cast away the law of the LORD of hosts, and despised the word of the Holy One of Israel.”

Isaiah 13:7

“Therefore *shall* all hands *be faint*, and every man's heart shall melt:”

Jeremiah 6:24

“We have heard the fame thereof: our hands *wax feeble*: anguish hath taken hold of us, and pain, as of a woman in travail.”

Jeremiah 38:4

“Therefore the princes said unto the king, We beseech thee, let this man be put to death: for thus he *weakeneth* the hands of the men of war that remain in this city, and the hands of all the people, in speaking such words unto them: for this man seeketh not the welfare of this people, but the hurt.”

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Jeremiah 49:24

“Damascus *is waxed feeble*, and turneth herself to flee, and fear hath seized on her: anguish and sorrows have taken her, as a woman in travail.”

Jeremiah 50:43

“The king of Babylon hath heard the report of them, *and* his hands *waxed feeble*: anguish took hold of him, and pangs as of a woman in travail.”

Ezekiel 1:24-15

“24And when they went, I heard the noise of their wings, like the noise of great waters, as the voice of the Almighty, the voice of speech, as the noise of an host: when they stood, *they let down* their wings. 25And there was a voice from the firmament that was over their heads, when they stood, and *had let down* their wings.”

Ezekiel 7:17

“All hands *shall be feeble*, and all knees shall be weak as water.”

Ezekiel 21:7

“And it shall be, when they say unto thee, Wherefore sighest thou? that thou shalt answer, For the tidings; because it cometh: and every heart shall melt, *and* all hands *shall be feeble*, and every spirit shall faint, and all knees shall be weak as water: behold, it cometh, and shall be brought to pass, saith the Lord GOD.”

Zephaniah 3:16

“In that day it shall be said to Jerusalem, Fear thou not: and to Zion, *Let* not thine hands *be slack*.”

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Hebrew Word Study

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Philippians 3:1 “Finally, my brethren, rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things to you, to me indeed is not <i>grievous</i> , but for you it is safe.”	oknēros	<i>tardy, that is, indolent; (figuratively) irksome: - grievous, slothful.</i>	Matthew 25:26 “His lord answered and said unto him, <i>Thou</i> wicked and <i>slothful</i> servant, thou knewest that I reap where I sowed not, and gather where I have not strawed:”	Romans 12:11 “Not <i>slothful</i> in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord;”

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An amazing Greek word. It is to be diligent, to work hard. To wait on the Lord when you know His will on an issue and to not be lazy, but work hard to do nothing.	nōthros	<i>sluggish, that is, (literally) lazy, or (figuratively) stupid: - dull, slothful.</i>	Hebrews 5:11 “Of whom we have many things to say, and hard to be uttered, seeing ye are <i>dull</i> of hearing.”	Hebrews 6:12 “That ye be not <i>slothful</i> , but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises. ”

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Vine's Expository Dictionary of Biblical Words

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IRKSOME

okneros "shrinking, timid" (from **okneo**, "to shrink, delay"), is used negatively in Phil 3:1, RV, "irksome" (KJV, "grievous"), i. e., "I do not hesitate"; in Matt 25:26, and Rom 12:11, "slothful." See GRIEVOUS, SLOTHFUL.

DULL

A. Adjective.

nothros "slow, sluggish, indolent, dull" (the etymology is uncertain), is translated "dull" in Heb 5:11 (in connection with **akoe**, "hearing"; lit., "in hearings"); "sluggish, in 6:12. See SLOTHFUL, SLUGGISH. In the Sept., Prov 22:29. Cf. nothrokardios, "slow of heart" (**kardia**, "the heart"), Prov 12:8.

Note: In Luke 24:25 "slow (of heart)" translates the synonymous word *bradus*. Of these Trench says (Syn. Sec. civ), "Bradus differs from the words with which it is here brought into comparison, in that no moral fault or blame is necessarily involved in it; so far indeed is it from this, that of the three occasions on which it is used in the NT two are in honor; for to be 'slow' to evil things, to rash speaking, or to anger James 1:19, twice, is a grace, and not the contrary.... There is a deeper, more inborn sluggishness implied in **nothros**, and this bound up as it were in the very life, more than in either of the other words of this group." Trench compares and contrasts **argos**, "idle," but this word is not strictly synonymous with the other two.

B. Adverb.

bareos (bare/w\$, NT:917), "heavily, with difficulty" (**barus**, "heavy"), is used with **akouo**, "to hear," in Matt 13:15, and Acts 28:27 (from Isa 6:10), lit., "to hear heavily, to be dull of hearing." In the Sept., Gen 31:35 (lit., "bear it not heavily"); Isa 6:10.

SLOTHFUL

1. **nothros** "indolent, sluggish," is rendered "slothful" in Heb 6:12, KJV, See DULL, and synonymous words there, and SLUGGISH.
2. **okneros** "shrinking, irksome," is translated "slothful" in Matt 25:26, and Rom 12:11, where "in diligence not slothful," RV, might be rendered "not flagging in zeal." See GRIEVOUS, Note (2).