

# The Book of Sirach

## Chapters 4-11

Read 4:1-10 How should a wise man treat the poor? (Note 4:1-10)

Is almsgiving important? (Note 4:1, Note 4:2, Note 4:3)

Read 4:17 How do trials and testing relate to growth in the spiritual life? (Note 4:17)

Read 4:20-31 How should one use his speech? (Note 4:20-31)

What is the relationship between humility and wisdom? (Note 4:25)

Read 4:27 Should a wise man allow a fool to dominate him? (Note 4:27)

Read 5:6 What is the relationship between God's justice and mercy? (Note 5:6)

Read 5:7 Should one delay repentance? (Note 5:7)

Read 5:13 What effect do words have? (Note 5:13)

Read 5:14 What is slander? (Note 5:14)

Read 6:5 How does speech relate to friendship? (Note 6:5)

Read 6:7–17 Discourse on friendship. (Notes 6:7, 6:8, 6:9, 6:10, 6:12, 6:13, 6:14, 6:16)

Read 6:27 How should you acquire wisdom? (Note 6:27)

Read 6:34 Who should you seek out as a mentor? (Note 6:34)

Read 7:15 How should we look upon those who perform manual labor? (Note 7:15)

Read 7:19 What qualities should you look for in a wife? (Note 7:19)

Read 7:28 Should children be grateful for their parents? (Note 7:28)

What is the best use of our time? (Note 8:1-19)

Read 8:8–9 Is Wisdom contained in tradition? (Note 8:9)

Read 8:17-19 How should we use prudence and discretion? (Notes 8:17, 8:18, 8:19)

Read 9:4-5 What were the ancient Israelite traditions concerning sexual morality? (Note 9:4, Note 9:5)

Read 9:8 How do we approach beauty in nature as it relates to the opposite sex? (Note 9:8)

Read 9:9 What is the near occasion of sin? (Note 9:9)

Read 10:7-9 Does pride go before the fall? (Note 10:7, 10:8, 10:9)

Read 10:12 What are the origins of pride? (Note 10:12)

Who is worthy of true honor? (Note 10:19-11:9)

Read 10:28-29 What is true humility? (Note 10:28, Note 10:29)

Read 11:14 Does God perpetrate evil? (Note 11:14)

Read 11:18 What is avarice? (Note 11:18)

Read 11:26 How is man rewarded on the day of death? (Note 11:26)

Read 11:29 Is the home the sanctuary for the family? (Note 11:29)