~THINKING ABILITY (149)

[Hebrew, mezim-mah']

- The Hebrew term *mezim-mah'* is used to designate thinking ability, or the ability to give wise and thoughtful consideration to a matter, based on thorough knowledge.
- So as to guard thinking abilities, and may your own lips safeguard knowledge itself. (Proverbs 5:2)
- I, wisdom, I have resided with shrewdness and I find even the knowledge of thinking abilities. (Proverbs 8:12)
- The schemes, devices, and foolish ideas of wicked men.
- In his haughtiness the wicked one hotly pursues the afflicted one, they get caught by the ideas that they have thought up. (Psalms 10:2)
- The wicked one according to his superciliousness makes no search, all his ideas are; There is no God. (Psalms 10:4)
- For they have directed against you what is bad, they have thought out ideas that they are unable to carry out. (Psalms 21:11)
- Keep silent before Yehowah and wait longingly for him. Do not show yourself heated up at anyone making his way successful, at the man carrying out his ideas. (Psalms 37:7)
- O that you, O God, would slay the wicked one! Then even the bloodguilty men will certainly depart from me. (Psalms 139:19)
- Who say things about you according to their idea, they have taken up your name in a worthless way, your adversaries. (Psalms 139:20)
- One that is good gets approval from Yehowah, but the man of wicked ideas he pronounces wicked. (Proverbs 12:2)
- As for anyone scheming to do bad, he will be called a mere master at evil ideas. (Proverbs 24:8)

- What business does my beloved one have in my house, that many of them should do this thing, the evil device? And with holy flesh will they make it pass over from upon you, when your calamity comes? At that time will you exult? (Jeremiah 11:15)
- Or the purposeful ideas of Yehowah God or of his heart.
- I have come to know that you are able to do all things, and there is no idea that is unattainable for you. (Job 42:2)
- The anger of Yehowah will not turn back until he will have carried out and until he will have made the ideas of his heart come true. In the final part of the days you people will give your consideration to it with understanding. (Jeremiah 23:20)
- The burning anger of Yehowah will not turn back until he will have executed and until he will have carried out the ideas of his heart. In the final part of the days you people will give your consideration to it. (Jeremiah 30:24)
- Polish the arrows. Fill the circular shields, O men. Yehowah has aroused the spirit of the kings of the Medes, because it is against Babylon that his idea is, in order to bring her to ruin. For it is the vengeance of Yehowah, the vengeance for his temple. (Jeremiah 51:11)
- One of the aims of the Proverbs is to give to a young man knowledge and thinking ability.
- The proverbs of Solomon the son of David, the king of Israel. (Proverbs 1:1)
- For one to know wisdom and discipline, to discern the sayings of understanding. (Proverbs 1:2)
- To receive the discipline that gives insight, righteousness and judgment and uprightness. (Proverbs 1:3)
- To give to the inexperienced ones shrewdness, to a young man knowledge and thinking ability. (Proverbs 1:4)

- The information contained in the Proverbs enables an individual to formulate wholesome thoughts and ideas that can give purposeful direction to his life.
- Thinking ability safeguards him from following a wrong course and associating with those who would influence him toward bad, as it helps him to see what such action would lead to.
- This results in blessing for the individual. Wisdom and thinking ability safeguard him from engaging in activities leading to calamity and thus prove to be life to his soul. He enjoys security, not needing to fear that justice might catch up with him for having become guilty of wrongdoing.
- My son, may they not get away from your eyes. Safeguard practical wisdom and thinking ability. (Proverbs 3:21)
- And they will prove to be life to your soul and charm to your throat. (Proverbs 3:22)
- In that case you will walk in security on your way, and even your foot will not strike against anything. (Proverbs 3:23)
- Whenever you lie down you will feel no dread, and you will certainly lie down, and your sleep must be pleasurable. (Proverbs 3:24)
- You will not need to be afraid of any sudden dreadful thing, nor of the storm upon the wicked ones, because it is coming. (Proverbs 3:25)
- However, the one who truly exercises thinking ability may also become an object of hatred. This could be the thought expressed at;
- He that is quick to anger will commit foolishness, but the man of thinking abilities is hated. (Proverbs 14:17)
- The man of thinking abilities is hated. Often persons who are not thinkers themselves look unfavorably upon those who utilize their mental faculties.
- · Also, in principle, those who exercise their minds in doing God's will are hated. As Jesus Christ said; Because you are no part of the

world, but I have chosen you out of the world, on this account the world hates you.

- If you were part of the world, the world would be fond of what is its own. Now because you are no part of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, on this account the world hates you. (John 15:19)
- Of course, the original-language term for thinking abilities at,
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- Can embrace malicious thinking. Therefore, the text may also mean that a man who devises evil is hated, and some translations read accordingly. And a man of wicked devices is hated.[JP, RO]