Ecclesiastes 5:1^{..} Guard your feet whenever you go to the house of the true God, and let there be a drawing near¹ to hear, rather than to give a sacrifice as the stupid ones do, for they are not aware of doing what is bad.²

Footnote: Let there be a drawing near In Hebrew this is a verb in the infinitive absolute, indefinite as to time and impersonal

Footnote: MTLXXSyVg end Ecclesiastes Chapter 4 here as (Ecclesiastes 4:17)

[12] - References:

- He who is walking faultlessly and practicing righteousness and speaking the truth in his heart. (Psalms 15:2)
- Congregate the people, the men and the women and the little ones and your alien resident who is within your gates, in order that they may listen and in order that they may learn, as they must fear Yehowah YOUR God and take care to carry out all the words of this Law. (Deuteronomy 31:12)
- Now the latter were more noble-minded than those in Thessalonica, for they received the word with the greatest eagerness of mind, carefully examining the Scriptures daily as to whether these things were so. (Acts of Apostles 17:11)
- Know this, my beloved brothers. Every man must be swift about hearing, slow about speaking, slow about wrath. (James 1:19)
- So I said to myself; Now the Philistines will come down against me at Gilgal, and the face of Yehowah I have not softened. So I compelled myself and went offering up the burnt sacrifice. (1 Samuel 13:12)
- In turn Samuel said; Does Yehowah have as much delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices as in obeying the voice of Yehowah? Look! To obey is better than a sacrifice, to pay attention than the fat of rams. (1 Samuel 15:22)
- The sacrifice of the wicked ones is something detestable. How much more so when one brings it along with loose conduct. (Proverbs 21:27)
- Stop bringing in any more valueless grain offerings. Incense, it is something detestable to me. New moon and Sabbath, the calling

of a convention, I cannot put up with the use of uncanny power along with the solemn assembly. (Isaiah 1:13)

- For in loving-kindness I have taken delight, and not in sacrifice, and in the knowledge of God rather than in whole burnt offerings. (Hosea 6:6)
 - Did they feel shame because it was something detestable that they had done? For one thing, they positively do not feel any shame, for another thing, they have not come to know even how to feel humiliated. Therefore they will fall among those who are falling, in the time that I must hold an accounting with them they will stumble; Yehowah has said. (Jeremiah 6:15)
 - And the people went taking from the spoil sheep and cattle, the choicest of them as something devoted to destruction, to sacrifice to Yehowah your God in Gilgal. (1 Samuel 15:21)

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