

PROVERBS

AUTHOR:

Solomon is considered the author of most, if not all the book of Proverbs.

DATE:

Proverbs was written during the early part of Solomon's reign (soon after 970 BC).

AUDIENCE:

Proverbs was a book of instruction for the Hebrew people.

CONTEXT:

Solomon wrote Proverbs soon after he had assumed the throne. A proverb is a short statement that reveals a moral truth. Solomon was considered the wisest man ever to have lived and this book is a collection of his proverbs.

PURPOSE:

Proverbs was written to teach how to achieve wisdom and discipline in life. It contains practical wisdom for daily life. It provides moral instruction on what is right. The book of Proverbs is more than just a collection of good sayings—it a book to be read as a whole, allowing us to understand God's guidance.

