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INTRODUCTION

*"Go to the ant, you lazybones!
Consider its ways, and be wise.
It has no chief, overseer nor ruler;
Yet it provides its food in summer
and gathers its supplies at harvest-
time.*

*Lazybones! How long will you lie therein
bed?*

*When will you get up from your sleep?
I'll just lie here a bit, rest a little
longer,
Just fold my hands for a little more
sleep"-
And poverty comes marching in on you,
Scarcity hits you like an invading
soldier...*

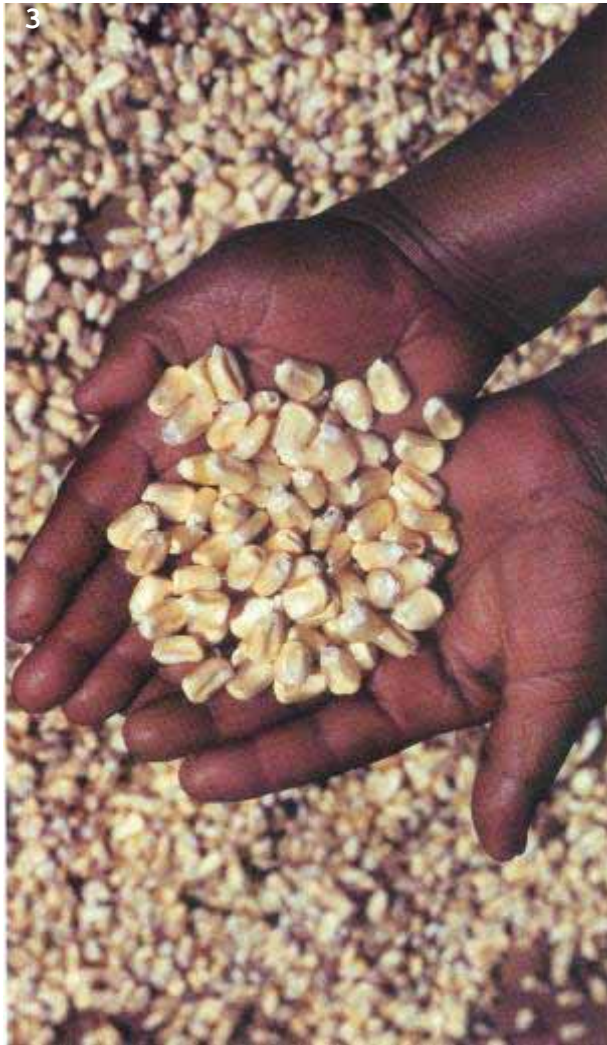
*If you love sleep, you will become poor;
The ruin of the poor is their poverty
he who sleeps during harvest is an
embarrassment...*

*A lazy person won't plow in winter; so
that at harvest-time, when he looks,
there is nothing...*

*Whoever is lazy in doing his work is
brother to the destroyer; idle hands
bring poverty."*

*-The Mishlei of Shlomo [Stern 1998:941-
992]*

2. Black workers wake up very
early to work, railway
station, Pretoria [1965].



RISE THROUGH DILIGENCE TO ABUNDANCE

"Keep your eyes open, and you'll have plenty of food.

*A sensible person gathers in summer
He who farms his land will have plenty of food,*

But he who follows futilities has no sense...

Much is produced by the strength of the ox...

In all work there is profit, but mere talk produces only poverty...

The plans of a diligent man lead only to abundance;

But all who rush in arrive only at want.

The wealth of the rich is his fortified city...

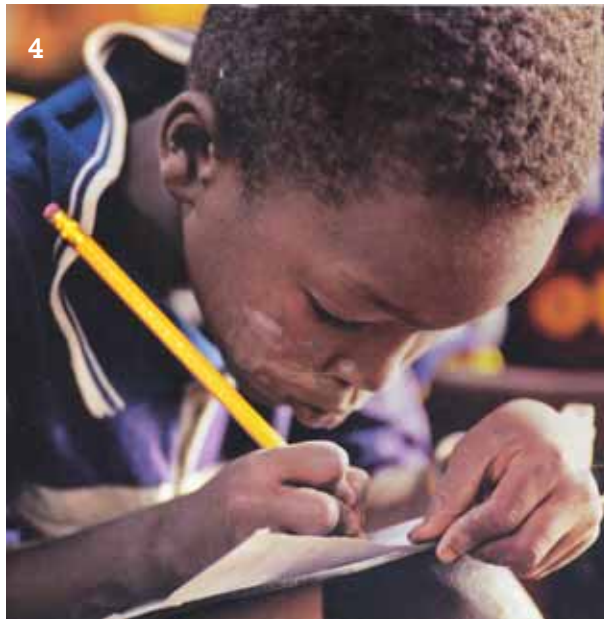
*...Some give freely and still get richer,
While others are stingy but grow still poorer...*

The person who blesses others will prosper;

He who satisfies others will be satisfied himself."

-The Mishlei of Shlomo [Stern 1998:941-992]

3. Whatever a man sows the same shall also he reap.



RISE THROUGH EDUCATION TO GREAT WISDOM

*"...Poverty and shame is for him who won't be taught,
But he who heeds reproof will be honoured...*

He who walks with the wise will become wise, but the companion of fools will suffer...

How much better than gold it is to gain wisdom!

Yes, rather than money, choose to gain understanding...

To acquire good sense is to love oneself; to treasure discernment is to prosper...

Without deliberation, plans go wrong; but with many advisers, they succeed...



..He who has skill in a matter will succeed;

Do you see a man skilled at his work? He will serve kings, not obscure people...

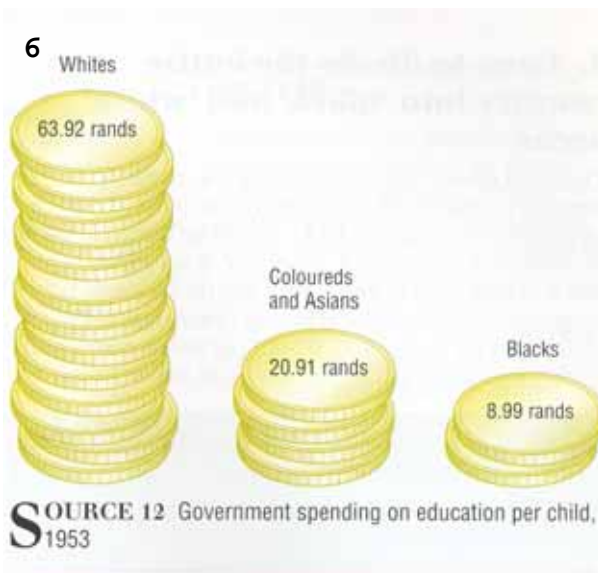
A person's gift clears his way and gives him access to the great..."

-The Mishlei of Shlomo [Stern 1998:941-992]

4.School boy, Mali.

5.Men at work, factory manufacturing electrical equipment, Pretoria.

THE RISE OF THE PEOPLE UMUNTU.....NGUMUNTU.....NGEBANTFU

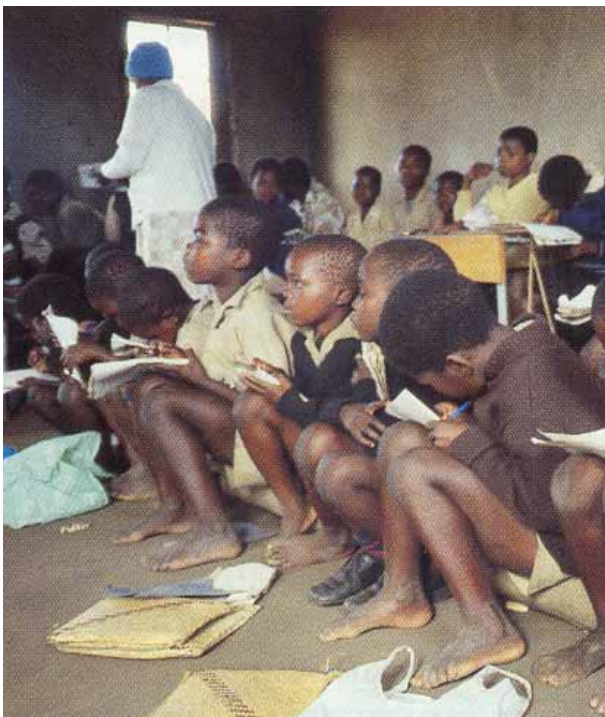


RISE FROM INJUSTICE THROUGH HARDWORK

"...Both oppressing the poor to enrich oneself and giving to the rich yield only loss. The fields of the poor may yield much food, but some are swept away because of injustice. Wealth gotten by worthless means dwindles away, But he who amasses it by hard work will increase it. Nothing comes from ill-gotten wealth..."

A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches Don't exhaust yourself in pursuit of wealth; be smart enough to desist..."

-The Mishlei of Shlomo [Stern 1998:941-992]



6.A classroom under the poor Bantu education system created by the apartheid regime [1953].

7.Police dogs used to force back a crowd at Orlando stadium, Soweto, 1960s.