

Introduction: let us look at wickedness and sin from Gods' view. Proverbs chapter six is a good starting place. Pr. 6:12 "A worthless person, a wicked man [Heb. Adam beliyaal, one good for nothing, or man worthless a man of Belial]. Scripture then lists seven sins that a worthless man practices.

1. Walks with a perverse mouth or speech, v. 12 cp. to v. 17 a proud look.
2. Winks with his eyes v. 13 cp. v.17 a lying tongue.
3. Shuffles with his feet or speaks with his feet v. 13 cp. 18 "feet that be swift in running to mischief"
4. Points with his fingers or teaches with his fingers v. 13 cp. v.17
5. Deceitfulness or perversity of heart v. 14 cp. v.18
6. Devises evil continually v.14 or continually plots, schemes, and plans of sin cp. v.18
7. Sows discord v.14 sows' discord in every arena of life cp. v. 19

Five things to know about the wicked.

THE WICKED LIE

1. Pr. 19:9 "A false witness will not go unpunished, and he who speaks lies shall perish."
2. Pr. 29:11 "A fool vents all his feelings, but a wise man holds them back."
3. Pr. 29:20 "Do you see a man hasty in his words? There is more hope for a fool than for him."
4. Pr. 18:8 "The words of a talebearer are like tasty trifles, and they go down into the inmost body."
5. Pr. 17:20 "He who has a deceitful heart finds no good, and he who has a perverse tongue falls into evil."
6. Pr. 17:13 "Whoever rewards evil for good, evil will not depart from his house."
7. Pr. 13: 13 "He who despises the word will be destroyed, but he who fears the commandment will be rewarded." See v. 10
8. Pr. 4:23,24 "Keep your heart with all diligence, for out of it spring the issues of life. Put away from you a deceitful mouth and put perverse lips far from you."
9. Pr. 11:18; 10:8; 12:19,20

THE WICKED JUSTIFY THEMSELVES

1. Pr. 1:29-32 read see 1:22
2. Pr. 19:3 "The foolishness of a man twists his way, and his heart frets against the LORD."
3. Pr. 20:9 "Who can say, 'I have made my heart clean; I am pure from my sin.'"
4. Pr. 21:4 "A haughty look, a proud heart, and the plowing of the wicked are sin."
5. Pr. 25:27 "It is not good to eat much honey; so, to seek one's own glory is not glory."
6. Pr. 29: 22,23 "An angry man stirs up strife, and a furious man abounds in transgression. A man's pride will bring him low but the humble in spirit will retain honor."

THE WICKED DESIRE EVIL

1. Pr. 21:10 "The soul of the wicked desires evil; his neighbor finds no favor in his eyes."
2. Pr. 26:20,21 "Where there is no wood, the fire goes out; and where there is no talebearer, strife ceases. As charcoal is to burning coals, and wood to fire so is a contentious man to kindle strife."
3. Pr. 27:20 "The refining pot is for silver and the furnace for gold, and a man is valued by what others say of him."
4. Pr. 9:5,6; 5:3-6 an immoral woman [man] is unstable, so do not get to know her/him.

5. Pr. 4:14-17 read

6. Pr. 3:31-33 "Do not envy the oppressor and choose none of his ways; for the perverse person is an abomination to the LORD, but His secret counsel is with the upright. The curse of the LORD is on the house of the wicked, but He blesses the home of the just."

DO NOT DESIRE WICKED MENS COMPANY

1. Pr. 1:10 "My son, if sinners entice you, do not consent. V. 19 "So are the ways of everyone who is greedy for gain; it takes away the life of its owners." Cp. Psalms chapter one.
2. Pr. 2:12-18
3. Pr. 28:4 "Those who forsake the law praise the wicked, but such as keep the law contend with them."
4. Pr. 28:9 "One who turns away his ear from hearing the law, even his prayer is an abomination."
5. Pr. 24:1,2 "Do not be envious of evil men, nor desire to be with them; for their heart devises violence, and their lips talk of troublemaking."
6. Pr. 24:19,20 "Do not fret because of evildoers, nor be envious of the wicked; for there will be no prospect for the evil man; the lamp of the wicked will be put out."

GOD OVERTHROWS THE WICKED

1. Pr. 21:12 "The righteous God wisely considers the house of the wicked, overthrowing the wicked for their wickedness."
2. Pr. 25:28 "Whoever has no rule over his own spirit is like a city broken down, without walls."
3. Pr. 12:2,3 "A good man obtains favor from the LORD, but a man of wicked intentions He will condemn. A man is not established by wickedness, but the root of the righteous cannot be moved."
4. Pr. 10:27 "The fear of the LORD prolongs days, but the years of the wicked will be shortened."
5. Pr. 11:5,7; 10:30
6. Pr. 10:16 "The labor of the righteous leads to life, the wages of the wicked to sin,"
7. Pr. 4:19 "The way of the wicked is like darkness; they do not know what makes them stumble."

Last Words: Pr. 26:11 "As a dog returns to his own vomit, so a fool repeats his folly."