

*Tsuf D'vash**Mishlei Chapter 10 Verse 4**Paysach Burke*

רָאשׁ עֹשֶׂה כַּף־רִמְיָה וְיָד חֲרוּצִים תַּעֲשִׂיר

*“Rash Oseh Chaf Rmia Vyad Charutsim  
Ta’ashir”**“A deceitful palm impoverishes while an  
industrious hand enriches”*

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*False practice to others trick**Will only self impoverish<sup>1</sup>**While industrious work an honest pick**Will wealth and good accomplish<sup>2</sup>*

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<sup>1</sup> M'D; Ralbag<sup>2</sup> M'D; Ralbag

*An honest person gives an all in effort  
Zealously moves energetically toils<sup>3</sup>  
The swindler rather cheats to profit  
And himself in loss embroils<sup>4</sup>*

*Scarcity is made with an idle palm  
While from industry comes wealthy balm<sup>5</sup>*

*Showing off to be palmed off wise  
By learning summaries of laws  
Will only be a temp compromise  
As he'll forget not knowing the source<sup>6</sup>*

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<sup>3</sup> M'D; Ralbag; Malbim

<sup>4</sup> M'D; Ralbag; Malbim

<sup>5</sup> Targum; Ralbag; Malbim

<sup>6</sup> Gra

*One poor in Torah shares a false Law  
Just are the upright who seek Truth more<sup>7</sup>*

*A deficient hand is a closed palm  
That withholds money, to hand compress  
While wealthy is he who has no qualm  
To open his hand, to poor redress<sup>8</sup>*

*Be honest in your weights and scale<sup>9</sup>  
Check them lest they be false or faulty  
Put safeguards in place to know when they fail  
Lest you too soon unwittingly crook be<sup>10</sup>*

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<sup>7</sup> Rashi

<sup>8</sup> Gra

<sup>9</sup> M'D; Rashi; E'E; Gra

<sup>10</sup> E'E