



## HAITIAN PROVERBS

*Dèyè mòn gen mòn.*  
Behind mountains are more mountains.

*Nanpwen lapriyè ki pa gen amen.*  
Every prayer has its “Amen!”

*Mennen koulèv la lekòl se youn, fè l chita se de.*  
Leading the snake to school is one thing, making it sit is another.

*Ou manje pitit tig ou pa fèt pou dòmi di.*  
Having eaten the tiger’s child, you should not sleep too soundly.

*Lè w ap manje ak djab fò w kenbe fouchèt ou long.*  
When you are eating with the devil, you must hold your fork at arms length.

*Aprè bal tonbou lou.*  
After the dance the drum is heavy.

*Men anpil chay pa lou.*  
Many hands make the load lighter.

*Jou fèy la tonbe nan dlo se pa jou a li pouri.*  
The leaf does not rot the same day that it falls in water.

*Yon sèl dwèt pa ka manje kalalou.*  
You can't eat okra with one finger.

*Bèl antèman pa di paradi.*  
A beautiful burial does not guarantee heaven.

*Nan benyen pa gen kache lonbrit.*  
There's no hiding one's belly when taking a bath.

*Se yon bon katolik ki fè yon bon pwotestan.*  
It is a good Catholic who makes a good Protestant.

*Fòk ou pèdi tan pou ka gen tan.*  
You must spend time to gain time.