

Job 34:1-37 KJV

Furthermore Elihu answered and said,

2 **Hear my words**, O ye **wise men**; and give **ear** unto me, ye that have knowledge. 3 For the **ear** trieth words, as the mouth tasteth meat. 4 Let us choose to us judgment: let us know among ourselves what is good.

A 5 **For Job hath said**, "I am righteous: and **God** hath taken away my judgment. 6 Should I lie against my right? my wound is incurable without transgression. "

B 7 What man is like Job, who drinketh up scorning like water? 8 Which goeth in company with the **workers of iniquity**, and walketh with **wicked men**.

A' 9 **For he hath said**, "It profiteth a man nothing that he should delight himself with **God**."

10 Therefore **hearken** unto me, **ye men of understanding**:

C far be it from God, that he should do **wickedness**; and from the Almighty, that he should **commit iniquity**. 11 For the work of a man shall he **render unto him**, and cause every man to find according to his **ways**. 12 Yea, surely God will not **do wickedly**, neither will the Almighty **pervert judgment**.

D (i) 13 Who hath given him a **charge over the earth**? or who hath disposed the whole world? 14 If he set his heart upon man, if he gather unto himself his spirit and his breath; 15 All flesh shall perish together, and man shall turn again unto dust. 16 If now thou hast understanding, hear this: hearken to the voice of my words. 17 **Shall even he that hateth right govern?** and wilt thou condemn him that is most just?

(ii) 18 **Is it fit to say to a king**, Thou art wicked? and to princes, Ye are ungodly?

E 19 How much less to him that accepteth not the persons of princes, nor regardeth the rich more than the **poor**? for they all are the work of his hands. 20 In a moment shall they die, and the people shall be **troubled** at midnight, and pass away: and the mighty shall be taken away without hand.

F 21 For **his eyes are upon the ways** of man, and **he seeth all his goings**.

G 22 There is no darkness, nor shadow of death, where the **workers of iniquity may hide themselves**.

H 23 For he will not lay upon man more than right; that he should enter into judgment with God.

G' 24 He shall break in pieces mighty men without number, and set others in their stead. 25 Therefore he knoweth their works, and he overturneth them in the night, so that they are destroyed. 26 He striketh them as **wicked men in the open sight** of others;

F' 27 Because they turned back from him, and **would not consider any of his ways**:

E' 28 So that they cause the cry of the **poor** to come unto him, and he heareth the cry of the afflicted. 29 When he giveth quietness, who then can make **trouble**? and when he hideth his face, who then can behold him?

D' (i) whether it be done against a nation, or against a man only: 30 That the **hypocrite reign not**, lest the people be ensnared.

(ii) 31 **Surely it is meet to be said unto God**, I have borne chastisement, I will not offend any more: 32 That which I see not teach thou me:

C' if I have **done iniquity**, I will do no more. 33 Should it be according to thy mind? he will **recompense** it, whether thou refuse, or whether thou choose; and not I: therefore speak what thou knowest.

34 **Men of understanding** tell me, and **wise men who hearken** unto me (say).

A 35 Job hath **spoken** without knowledge, and **his words** were without wisdom.

B 36 Surely, Job may be tried unto the end because of his answers for **wicked men**. 37 For he addeth rebellion unto his sin, he clappeth his hands among us,

A' and multiplieth **his words** against **God**.

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Elihu spake moreover, and said,

A 2 Thinkest thou this to be **right**, that thou saidst, My **righteousness** is more than God's?

B 3 For thou saidst, What advantage **will it be unto thee**? and, What profit shall I have, if I be cleansed from my **sin**?

C 4 I will answer thee, and thy companions with thee. 5 Look unto the heavens, and see; and behold the clouds which are higher than thou.

B 6 If thou **sinnest**, what doest thou against him? or if thy transgressions be multiplied, **what doest thou unto him**?

C 7 If thou be **righteous**, what givest thou **him**? or what receiveth he of thine hand? 8 Thy **wickedness** may hurt a man as thou art; and thy **righteousness** may profit the son of man.

A 9 By reason of the multitude of oppressions they make the oppressed to **cry: they cry out** by reason of the arm of the mighty.

B 10 But **none saith, Where is God** my maker, who giveth songs in the night;

C 11 Who **teacheth** us more than the beasts of the earth, and maketh us **wiser** than the fowls of heaven?

A 12 There **they cry**, but none giveth answer, because of the pride of evil men. 13 Surely God will not hear vanity, neither will the Almighty regard it.

B 14 Although **thou sayest thou shalt not see him**, yet judgment is before him; therefore trust thou in him.

C 15 But now, because it is not so, he hath visited in his anger; **yet he knoweth it not** in great extremity: 16 Therefore doth Job open his mouth in vain; he multiplieth words **without knowledge**.