

THE BOOK OF JOB.

A V.
* ch. 2. 3.

† Or,
cattle.

† Or,
hus-
bandry.

† Heb.
sons
of the
east.

* 1 Kings
21. 10, 13.

† Heb
all the
days.

† Heb.
the ad-
versary.

† Heb.
in the
midst
of them.

* 1 Pet.
5. 8.

† Heb.
Hast
thou
act thy
heart on.

† Or,
cattle.

† Heb.
if he
curse
thee not
to thy
face.

† Heb.
hand.

† Or,
A great
fire.

† Heb.
rushed.

1 THERE WAS a man in the land of Uz, whose name was Job; and that man was *perfect and upright, and one that feared God, and eschewed evil.

2 And there were born unto him seven sons and three daughters.

3 His †substance also was seven thousand sheep, and three thousand camels, and five hundred yoke of oxen, and five hundred she asses, and a very great †household; so that this man was the greatest of all the †men of the east.

4 And his sons went and feasted in their houses, every one his day; and sent and called for their three sisters to eat and to drink with them.

5 And it was so, when the days of their feasting were gone about, that Job sent and sanctified them, and rose up early in the morning, and offered burnt offerings according to the number of them all: for Job said, It may be that my sons have sinned, and *cursed God in their hearts. Thus did Job †continually.

6 ¶ Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the Lord, and †Satan came also †among them.

7 And the Lord said unto Satan, Whence comest thou? Then Satan answered the Lord, and said, From *going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it.

8 And the Lord said unto Satan, †Hast thou considered my servant Job, that there is none like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright man, one that feareth God, and escheweth evil?

9 Then Satan answered the Lord, and said, Doth Job fear God for nought?

10 Hast not thou made an hedge about him, and about his house, and about all that he hath on every side? thou hast blessed the work of his hands, and his †substance is increased in the land.

11 But put forth thine hand now, and touch all that he hath, †and he will curse thee to thy face.

12 And the Lord said unto Satan, Behold, all that he hath is in thy †power; only upon himself put not forth thine hand. So Satan went forth from the presence of the Lord.

13 ¶ And there was a day when his sons and his daughters were eating and drinking wine in their eldest brother's house:

14 And there came a messenger unto Job, and said, The oxen were plowing, and the asses feeding beside them:

15 And the Sabeans fell upon them, and took them away; yea, they have slain the servants with the edge of the sword; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee.

16 While he was yet speaking, there came also another, and said, The fire of God is fallen from heaven, and hath burned up the sheep, and the servants, and consumed them; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee.

17 While he was yet speaking, there came also another, and said, The Chaldeans made out three bands, and †fell upon the camels, and have carried them away, yea, and slain the servants with the edge of the sword; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee.

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3 and three daughters. His †substance also was seven thousand sheep, and three thousand camels, and five hundred yoke of oxen, and five hundred she-asses, and a very great household; so that this man was the greatest of all the children

4 of the east. And his sons went and held a feast in the house of each one upon his day; and they sent and called for their three sisters to eat and

5 to drink with them. And it was so, when the days of their feasting were gone about, that Job sent and sanctified them, and rose up early in the morning, and offered burnt offerings according to the number of them all: for Job said, It may be that my sons have sinned, and †renounced God in their hearts. Thus did Job continually.

6 Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the Lord,

7 and †Satan came also among them. And the Lord said unto Satan, Whence comest thou? Then Satan answered the Lord, and said, From going to and fro in the earth, and from

8 walking up and down in it. And the Lord said unto Satan, Hast thou considered my servant Job? †for there is none like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright man, one that feareth God,

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11 land. But put forth thine hand now, and touch all that he hath, and he will renounce thee to thy face.

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13 And it fell on a day when his sons and his daughters were eating and drinking wine in

14 their eldest brother's house, that there came a messenger unto Job, and said, The oxen were plowing, and the asses feeding beside them:

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† Heb.
Job.

† Or,
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† Or,
blas-
phemous
So ver.
11, ch. ii.
5, 9.

† That is,
the Ad-
versary.

† Or,
that

† Heb.
hand.

† Heb.
Sheba.

† Heb.
young
men.

† Or,
made
a raid

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18 While he *was* yet speaking, there came also another, and said, Thy sons and thy daughters were eating and drinking wine in their eldest brother's house:

19 And, behold, there came a great wind [†]from the wilderness, and smote the four corners of the house, and it fell upon the young men, and they are dead; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee.

20 Then Job arose, and rent his [†]mantle, and shaved his head, and fell down upon the ground, and worshipped,

21 And said, *Naked came I out of my mother's womb, and naked shall I return thither: the LORD gave, and the LORD hath taken away; blessed be the name of the LORD.

22 In all this Job sinned not, nor [†]charged God foolishly.

2 Again there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan came also among them to present himself before the LORD.

2 And the LORD said unto Satan, From whence comest thou? And *Satan answered the LORD, and said, From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it.

3 And the LORD said unto Satan, Hast thou considered my servant Job, that *there is* none like him in the earth, *a perfect and an upright man, one that feareth God, and escheweth evil? and still he holdeth fast his integrity, although thou movedst me against him, [†]to destroy him without cause.

4 And Satan answered the LORD, and said, Skin for skin, yea, all that a man hath will he give for his life.

5 But put forth thine hand now, and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse thee to thy face.

6 And the LORD said unto Satan, Behold, he *is* in thine hand; [†]but save his life.

7 ¶ So went Satan forth from the presence of the LORD, and smote Job with sore boils from the sole of his foot unto his crown.

8 And he took him a potsherd to scrape himself withal; and he sat down among the ashes.

9 ¶ Then said his wife unto him, Dost thou still retain thine integrity? curse God, and die.

10 But he said unto her, Thou speakest as one of the foolish women speaketh. What? shall we receive good at the hand of God, and shall we not receive evil? In all this did not Job sin with his lips.

11 ¶ Now when Job's three friends heard of all this evil that was come upon him, they came every one from his own place; Eliphaz the Temanite, and Bildad the Shuhite, and Zophar the Naamathite: for they had made an appointment together to come to mourn with him and to comfort him.

12 And when they lifted up their eyes afar off, and knew him not, they lifted up their voice, and wept; and they rent every one his mantle, and sprinkled dust upon their heads toward heaven.

13 So they sat down with him upon the ground seven days and seven nights, and none spake a word unto him: for they saw that *his* grief was very great.

3 After this opened Job his mouth, and cursed his day.

2 And Job [†]spake, and said,

3 *Let the day perish wherein I was born, and the night *in which* it was said, There is a man child conceived.

4 Let that day be darkness; let not God regard it from above, neither let the light shine upon it.

5 Let darkness and the shadow of death [†]stain it; let a cloud dwell upon it; [†]let the blackness of the day terrify it.

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19 house: and, behold, there came a great wind [†]from the wilderness, and smote the four corners of the house, and it fell upon the young men, and they are dead; and I only am escaped alone to

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7 unto Satan, Behold, he *is* in thine hand; only spare his life. So Satan went forth from the

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3 Let the day perish wherein I was born, And the night which said, There is a man child conceived.

4 Let that day be darkness; Let not God regard it from above, Neither let the light shine upon it.

5 Let darkness and the shadow of death claim it for their own; Let a cloud dwell upon it; Let all that maketh black the day terrify it.

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† Or, over

† Or, that

† Heb. to swallow him up.

† Or, impious

† Or, pain

† Or, inquire after
† Or, deep darkness (and so elsewhere)

† Heb. from aside, &c.

† Or, robe.

* Eccles. 5. 15. 1 Tim. 6. 7.

† Or, attributed fol-y to God.

* ch. I. 7.

* ch. I. 1, 8.

† Heb. to swallow him up.

† Or, only.

† Heb. answered.
* ch. 10. 18, 19. Jer. 20. 14.

† Or, challenge it.

† Or, let them terrify it, as those who have a bitter day.

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1 Or, let it not rejoice among the days.

1 Or, a leviathan.

1 Heb. the eyelids of the morn- ing.

1 Heb. occurred in strength.

1 Heb. wait.

* ch. 19. 8.

1 Heb. before my meat.

1 Heb. I feared a fear, and it came upon me.

1 Heb. a word.

1 Heb. who can refrain from words?

1 Heb. the howing knees.

1 [1611 confidence; the up- rightness of thy ways and thy hope?]

* Prov. 22. 8.

1 Hos. 10. 13.

1 That is, by his anger, as Isai. 30. 33.

1 Heb. by stealth.

1 Heb. met me.

1 Heb. the mul- titude of my bones.

6 As for that night, let darkness seize upon it; let it not be joined unto the days of the year, let it not come into the number of the months.

7 Lo, let that night be solitary, let no joyful voice come therein.

8 Let them curse it that curse the day, who are ready to raise up their mourning.

9 Let the stars of the twilight thereof be dark; let it look for light, but have none; neither let it see the dawning of the day:

10 Because it shut not up the doors of my mother's womb, nor hid sorrow from mine eyes.

11 Why died I not from the womb? why did I not give up the ghost when I came out of the belly?

12 Why did the knees prevent me? or why the breasts that I should suck?

13 For now should I have lain still and been quiet, I should have slept: then had I been at rest,

14 With kings and counsellors of the earth, which build desolate places for themselves;

15 Or with princes that had gold, who filled their houses with silver:

16 Or as an hidden untimely birth I had not been; as infants which never saw light.

17 There the wicked cease from troubling; and there the weary be at rest.

18 There the prisoners rest together; they hear not the voice of the oppressor.

19 The small and great are there; and the servant is free from his master.

20 Wherefore is light given to him that is in misery, and life unto the bitter in soul;

21 Which long for death, but it cometh not; and dig for it more than for hid treasures;

22 Which rejoice exceedingly, and are glad, when they can find the grave?

23 Why is light given to a man whose way is hid, and whom God hath hedged in?

24 For my sighing cometh before I eat, and my roarings are poured out like the waters.

25 For the thing which I greatly feared is come upon me, and that which I was afraid of is come unto me.

26 I was not in safety, neither had I rest, neither was I quiet; yet trouble came.

4 Then Eliphaz the Temanite answered and said,

2 If we assay to commune with thee, wilt thou be grieved? but who can withhold himself from speaking?

3 Behold, thou hast instructed many, and thou hast strengthened the weak hands.

4 Thy words have upholden him that was falling, and thou hast strengthened the feeble knees.

5 But now it is come upon thee, and thou faintest; it toucheth thee, and thou art troubled.

6 Is not this thy fear, thy confidence, thy hope, and the uprightness of thy ways?

7 Remember, I pray thee, who ever perished, being innocent? or where were the righteous cut off?

8 Even as I have seen, they that plow iniquity, and sow wickedness, reap the same.

9 By the blast of God they perish, and by the breath of his nostrils are they consumed.

10 The roaring of the lion, and the voice of the fierce lion, and the teeth of the young lions, are broken.

11 The old lion perisheth for lack of prey, and the stout lion's whelps are scattered abroad.

12 Now a thing was secretly brought to me, and mine ear received a little thereof.

13 In thoughts from the visions of the night, when deep sleep falleth on men,

14 Fear came upon me, and trembling, which made all my bones to shake.

15 Then a spirit passed before my face; the hair of my flesh stood up:

6 As for that night, let thick darkness seize upon it:

Let it not rejoice among the days of the year; Let it not come into the number of the months.

7 Lo, let that night be barren; Let no joyful voice come therein.

8 Let them curse it that curse the day, Who are ready to rouse up leviathan.

9 Let the stars of the twilight thereof be dark: Let it look for light, but have none; Neither let it behold the eyelids of the morning:

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6 Is not thy fear of God thy confidence, And thy hope the integrity of thy ways?

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1 Some ancient versions read, he joined unto.

2 Or, solitary

3 Or, skilful

4 Or, built solitary piles

5 Or, raging

6 Heb. wait.

7 Or, unto exultation

8 Or, like my meat

9 Or, the thing which I feared is come &c.

10 Or, I was not at ease yet trouble came

11 Heb. howling.

12 Or, art grieved

13 Or, mischief

14 Heb. brought by stealth.

15 Or, a breath passed over

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<p>1 Or, I heard a still voice. * ch. 15. 15 2 Pet. 2. 4. 1 Or, nor in his angels, in whom he put light. : [1011 on] * 2 Cor. 5. 1 Heb. beaten in pieces. 1 Or, look? 1 Or, indignation. 1 Or, mighty. 1 Or, labour. 1 Heb. the sons of the burning coal lit up to fly * ch. 9. 10. Ps. 72. 18 Rom 11 33. 1 Heb. and there is no search. 1 Heb. tell there be no number. 1 Heb. out-places. * 1 Sam. 2. 7 Ps. 113. 7. * Neh. 4. 15 Ps. 33. 10. Isai 8. 10. 1 Or, cannot perform any thing. * 1 Cor. 3. 19 * Deut. 28. 29. 1 Or, run into. * Ps. 107. 42. * Prov. 3. 12. 1 Heb. 12. 5. James 1. 12. Rev. 3. 19. * Deut. 32. 39. 1 Flam. 2. 6 Isai. 30. 26. Hos. 6. 1. * Ps. 91. 3. 1 Heb. from the hands. 1 Or, when the tongue scourgeth. * Hos. 2. 18. 1 Or, that peace is thy tabernacle. 1 Or, err. 1 Or, much. 1 Heb. ascendth.</p>	<p>16 It stood still, but I could not discern the form thereof: an image was before mine eyes, ¹there was silence, and I heard a voice, ²saying, 17 Shall mortal man be more just than God? shall a man be more pure than his maker? 18 Behold, he * put no trust in his servants; ³and his angels he charged with folly: 19 How much less ⁴in them that dwell in * houses of clay, whose foundation ⁵is in the dust, which are crushed before the moth? 20 They are ⁶destroyed from morning to evening: they perish for ever without any regarding it. 21 Doth not their excellency ⁷which ⁸is in them go away? they die, even without wisdom. 5 Call now, if there be any that will answer thee; and to which of the saints wilt thou ⁹turn? 2 For wrath killeth the foolish man, and ¹⁰envy slayeth the silly one. 3 I have seen the foolish taking root: but suddenly I cursed his habitation. 4 His children are far from safety, and they are crushed in the gate, neither ¹¹is there any to deliver them. 5 Whose harvest the hungry eateth up, and taketh it even out of the thorns, and the robber swalloweth up their substance. 6 Although ¹²affliction cometh not forth of the dust, neither doth trouble spring out of the ground; 7 Yet man is born unto ¹³trouble, as ¹⁴the sparks fly upward. 8 I would seek unto God, and unto God would I commit my cause: 9 * Which doeth great things ¹⁵and unsearchable; marvellous things ¹⁶without number: 10 Who giveth rain upon the earth, and sendeth waters upon the ¹⁷fields: 11 * To set up on high those that be low; that those which mourn may be exalted to safety. 12 * He disappointeth the devices of the crafty, so that their hands ¹⁸cannot perform their enterprise 13 * He taketh the wise in their own craftiness: and the counsel of the froward is carried headlong. 14 * They ¹⁹meet with darkness in the daytime, and grope in the noonday as in the night. 15 But he saveth the poor from the sword, from their mouth, and from the hand of the mighty. 16 * So the poor hath hope, and iniquity stoppeth her mouth. 17 * Behold, happy ²⁰is the man whom God correcteth: therefore despise not thou the chastening of the Almighty: 18 * For he maketh sore, and bindeth up: he woundeth, and his hands make whole. 19 * He shall deliver thee in six troubles: yea, in seven there shall no evil touch thee. 20 In famine he shall redeem thee from death: and in war ²¹from the power of the sword. 21 Thou shalt be hid ²²from the scourge of the tongue: neither shalt thou be afraid of destruction when it cometh. 22 At destruction and famine thou shalt laugh: neither shalt thou be afraid of the beasts of the earth. 23 * For thou shalt be in league with the stones of the field: and the beasts of the field shall be at peace with thee. 24 And thou shalt know ²³that thy tabernacle shall be in peace; and thou shalt visit thy habitation, and shalt not ²⁴sin. 25 Thou shalt know also that thy seed ²⁵shall be great, and thine offspring as the grass of the earth. 26 Thou shalt come to ²⁶thy grave in a full age, like as a shock of corn ²⁷cometh in in his season.</p>	<p>16 It stood still, but I could not discern the appearance thereof; A form was before mine eyes: ¹There was silence, and I heard a voice, ²saying, 17 Shall mortal man ²be more just than God? 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And to which of the ⁸holy ones wilt thou turn? 2 For vexation killeth the foolish man, And ⁹jealousy slayeth the silly one. 3 I have seen the foolish taking root: But suddenly I cursed his habitation. 4 His children are far from safety, And they are crushed in the gate, Neither is there any to deliver them. 5 Whose harvest the hungry eateth up, And taketh it even out of the thorns, And ¹⁰the snare gapeth for their substance. 6 For ¹¹affliction cometh not forth of the dust, Neither doth trouble spring out of the ground; 7 But man is born unto trouble, As ¹²the sparks fly upward. 8 But as for me, I would seek unto God, And unto God would I commit my cause: 9 Which doeth great things and unsearchable; Marvellous things without number: 10 Who giveth rain upon the earth, And sendeth waters upon the fields: 11 So that he setteth up on high those that be low; And those which mourn are exalted to safety. 12 He frustrateth the devices of the crafty, So that their hands ¹³cannot perform their enterprise. 13 He taketh the wise in their own craftiness: And the counsel of the froward is carried headlong. 14 They meet with darkness in the day-time, And grope at noonday as in the night. 15 But he saveth from the sword ¹⁴of their mouth, Even the needy from the hand of the mighty. 16 So the poor hath hope, And iniquity stoppeth her mouth. 17 Behold, happy ¹⁵is the man whom God ¹⁶correcteth: Therefore despise not thou the chastening of the Almighty. 18 For he maketh sore, and bindeth up; He woundeth, and his hands make whole. 19 He shall deliver thee in six troubles; Yea, in seven there shall no evil touch thee. 20 In famine he shall redeem thee from death; And in war from the power of the sword. 21 Thou shalt be hid from the scourge of the tongue; Neither shalt thou be afraid of destruction when it cometh. 22 At destruction and dearth thou shalt laugh; Neither shalt thou be afraid of the beasts of the earth. 23 For thou shalt be in league with the stones of the field; And the beasts of the field shall be at peace with thee. 24 And thou shalt know that thy tent is in peace; And thou shalt visit thy ¹⁶fold, and ¹⁷shalt miss nothing. 25 Thou shalt know also that thy seed shall be great, And thine offspring as the grass of the earth. 26 Thou shalt come to thy grave in a full age, Like as a shock of corn cometh in in its season.</p>	<p>1 Or, I heard a still voice 2 Or, be just before God 3 Or, be pure before his Maker 4 Or, like 5 Or, From morning to evening 6 Heb. broken in pieces 7 Or, Is not their excellency which is in them removed? 8 See ch. xv. 12. 9 Or, indignation 10 According to many ancient versions, the thirsty swallow up. 11 Or, iniquity See ch. iv. 8. 12 Heb. the sons of flame or of lightning. 13 Or, cannot perform nothing of worth 14 Heb. out of their mouth. 15 Or, reproveth 16 Or, habitation 17 Or, shall not err</p>

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27 Lo this, we have searched it, so it is; hear it, and know thou it for thy good.

† Heb. for thyself.

6 But Job answered and said,
2 Oh that my grief were throughly weighed, and my calamity laid in the balances together!

† Heb. lifted up

3 For now it would be heavier than the sand of the sea: therefore my words are swallowed up.

† That is, I want words to express my grief.
† Ps. 38. 2.

4 For the arrows of the Almighty are within me, the poison whereof drinketh up my spirit: the terrors of God do set themselves in array against me.

5 Doth the wild ass bray when he hath grass? or loweth the ox over his fodder?

† Heb. at grass.

6 Can that which is unsavoury be eaten without salt? or is there any taste in the white of an egg?

7 The things that my soul refused to touch are as my sorrowful meat.

† Heb. my expectation

8 Oh that I might have my request; and that God would grant me the thing that I long for!

9 Even that it would please God to destroy me; that he would let loose his hand, and cut me off!

10 Then should I yet have comfort; yea, I would harden myself in sorrow: let him not spare; for I have not concealed the words of the Holy One.

11 What is my strength, that I should hope? and what is mine end, that I should prolong my life?

† Heb. brass.

12 Is my strength the strength of stones? or is my flesh of brass?

13 Is not my help in me? and is wisdom driven quite from me?

† Heb. To him that melteth.

14 To him that is afflicted pity should be shewed from his friend; but he forsaketh the fear of the Almighty.

15 My brethren have dealt deceitfully as a brook, and as the stream of brooks they pass away;

16 Which are blackish by reason of the ice, and wherein the snow is hid:

† Heb. they are cut off.

17 What time they wax warm, they vanish: when it is hot, they are consumed out of their place.

† Heb. in the heat they cool.

18 The paths of their way are turned aside; they go to nothing, and perish.

† Heb. extinguished.

19 The troops of Tema looked, the companies of Sheba waited for them.

20 They were confounded because they had hoped; they came thither, and were ashamed.

† Or, For now ye are like to them.

21 For now ye are nothing; ye see my casting down, and are afraid.

22 Did I say, Bring unto me? or, Give a reward for me of your substance?

† Heb. to it.

23 Or, Deliver me from the enemy's hand? or, Redeem me from the hand of the mighty?

† Heb. not.

24 Teach me, and I will hold my tongue: and cause me to understand wherein I have erred.

25 How forcible are right words! but what doth your arguing reprove?

† Heb. ye cause to fall upon.

26 Do ye imagine to reprove words, and the speeches of one that is desperate, which are as wind?

27 Yea, ye overwhelm the fatherless, and ye dig a pit for your friend.

† Heb. before your face.

28 Now therefore be content, look upon me; for it is evident unto you if I lie.

† That is, in this matter.

29 Return, I pray you, let it not be iniquity; yea, return again, my righteousness is in it.

† Heb. my palate.

30 Is there iniquity in my tongue? cannot my taste discern perverse things?

† Heb. warfare.

7 Is there not an appointed time to man upon earth? are not his days also like the days of an hireling?

† Heb. gapeth after.

2 As a servant earnestly desireth the shadow, and as an hireling looketh for the reward of his work:

27 Lo thus, we have searched it, so it is; Hear it, and know thou it for thy good.

G Then Job answered and said,
2 Oh that my vexation were but weighed, And my calamity laid in the balances together!
3 For now it would be heavier than the sand of the seas:

Therefore have my words been rash.
4 For the arrows of the Almighty are within me, The poison whereof my spirit drinketh up: The terrors of God do set themselves in array against me.

5 Doth the wild ass bray when he hath grass? Or loweth the ox over his fodder?

6 Can that which hath no savour be eaten without salt?

Or is there any taste in the white of an egg?

7 My soul refuseth to touch them; They are as loathsome meat to me.

8 Oh that I might have my request; And that God would grant me the thing that I long for!

9 Even that it would please God to crush me; That he would let loose his hand, and cut me off!

10 Then should I yet have comfort; Yea, I would exult in pain that spareth not:

For I have not denied the words of the Holy One.

11 What is my strength, that I should wait? And what is mine end, that I should be patient?

12 Is my strength the strength of stones? Or is my flesh of brass?

13 Is it not that I have no help in me, And that effectual working is driven quite from me?

14 To him that is ready to faint kindness should be shewed from his friend;

Even to him that forsaketh the fear of the Almighty.

15 My brethren have dealt deceitfully as a brook, As the channel of brooks that pass away;

16 Which are black by reason of the ice, And wherein the snow hideth itself:

17 What time they wax warm, they vanish: When it is hot, they are consumed out of their place.

18 The caravans that travel by the way of them turn aside;

They go up into the waste, and perish.

19 The caravans of Tema looked, The companies of Sheba waited for them.

20 They were ashamed because they had hoped; They came thither, and were confounded.

21 For now ye are nothing; Ye see a terror, and are afraid.

22 Did I say, Give unto me? Or, Offer a present for me of your substance?

23 Or, Deliver me from the adversary's hand? Or, Redeem me from the hand of the oppressors?

24 Teach me, and I will hold my peace: And cause me to understand wherein I have erred.

25 How forcible are words of uprightness! But what doth your arguing reprove?

26 Do ye imagine to reprove words? Seeing that the speeches of one that is desperate are as wind.

27 Yea, ye would cast lots upon the fatherless, And make merchandise of your friend.

28 Now therefore be pleased to look upon me; For surely I shall not lie to your face.

29 Return, I pray you, let there be no injustice; Yea, return again, my cause is righteous.

30 Is there injustice on my tongue? Cannot my taste discern mischievous things?

7 Is there not a warfare to man upon earth? And are not his days like the days of an hireling?

2 As a servant that earnestly desireth the shadow, And as an hireling that looketh for his wages:

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† Heb. for thyself.

† Or, the juice of purslain

† Or, What things my soul refused to touch,

these are as my loathsome meal

† Or, Though I shrink back

† Or, harden myself

† Or, though he spare not

† Or, That

† Or, concealed

† Or, sound wisdom

† Or, Else might he forsake Or, But he forsaketh

† Or, shrink

† Or, The paths of their way are turned aside

† Another reading is, are like thereto.

† Or, for the wind

† Or, And it will be evident unto you if I lie

† Heb. my righteousness

is in it.

† Or, time of service

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3 So am I made to possess months of vanity, and wearisome nights are appointed to me.
 4 When I lie down, I say, When shall I arise, and 'the night be gone? and I am full of tossings to and fro unto the dawning of the day.
 5 My flesh is clothed with worms and clods of dust; my skin is broken, and become loathsome.
 6 *My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle, and are spent without hope.
 7 O remember that my life is wind: mine eye 'shall no more 'see good.
 8 The eye of him that hath seen me shall see me no more: thine eyes are upon me, and 'I am not.
 9 As the cloud is consumed and vanisheth away: so he that goeth down to the grave shall come up no more.
 10 He shall return no more to his house, neither shall his place know him any more.
 11 Therefore I will not refrain my mouth; I will speak in the anguish of my spirit; I will complain in the bitterness of my soul.
 12 Am I a sea, or a whale, that thou settest a watch over me?
 13 When I say, My bed shall comfort me, my couch shall ease my complaint;
 14 Then thou scarest me with dreams, and terriest me through visions:
 15 So that my soul chooseth strangling, and death rather 'than my life.
 16 I loathe it; I would not live alway: let me alone; for my days are vanity.
 17 *What is man, that thou shouldest magnify him? and that thou shouldest set thine heart upon him?
 18 And that thou shouldest visit him every morning, and try him every moment?
 19 How long wilt thou not depart from me, nor let me alone till I swallow down my spittle?
 20 I have sinned; what shall I do unto thee, O thou preserver of men? why hast thou set me as a mark against thee, so that I am a burden to myself?
 21 And why dost thou not pardon my transgression, and take away mine iniquity? for now shall I sleep in the dust; and thou shalt seek me in the morning, but I shall not be.
 8 Then answered Bildad the Shuhite, and said,
 2 How long wilt thou speak these things? and how long shall the words of thy mouth be like a strong wind?
 3 *Doth God pervert judgment? or doth the Almighty pervert justice?
 4 If thy children have sinned against him, and he have cast them away 'for their transgression;
 5 *If thou wouldest seek unto God betimes, and make thy supplication to the Almighty;
 6 If thou wert pure and upright; surely now he would awake for thee, and make the habitation of thy righteousness prosperous.
 7 Though thy beginning was small, yet thy latter end should greatly increase.
 8 *For enquire, I pray thee, of the former age, and prepare thyself to the search of their fathers:
 9 (For *we are but of yesterday, and know 'nothing, because our days upon earth are a shadow:)
 10 Shall not they teach thee, and tell thee, and utter words out of their heart?
 11 Can the rush grow up without mire? can the flag grow without water?
 12 *Whilst it is yet in his greenness, and not cut down, it withereth before any other herb.
 13 So are the paths of all that forget God; and the *hypocrite's hope shall perish:

† Heb. the evening be measured?
 * ch. 16. 22.
 Ps. 90. 6. & 102. 11. & 103. 15. & 141. 4.
 Isa. 40. 6.
 James 4. 14.
 † Heb. shall not return.
 † to see, that is, to enjoy.
 † That is, I can live no longer.
 † Heb. than my bones.
 * Ps. 8. 4. & 144. 3.
 Heb. 2. 6.
 * Deut. 32. 4.
 2 Chr. 19. 7.
 Dan. 9. 14.
 † Heb. in the hand of their transgression.
 * ch. 22. 23.
 * Deut. 4. 32.
 * Gen. 47. 9.
 1 Chr. 29. 15.
 ch. 7. 6.
 Ps. 39. 5. & 144. 4.
 † Heb. not.
 * Ps. 129. 6.
 Jer. 17. 6.
 * ch. 11. 20.
 & 18. 14.
 Ps. 112. 10.
 Prov. 10. 28.

3 So am I made to possess months of vanity, and wearisome nights are appointed to me.
 4 When I lie down, I say, When shall I arise? but the night is long; And I am full of tossings to and fro unto the dawning of the day.
 5 My flesh is clothed with worms and clods of dust; My skin 'closeth up and breaketh out afresh.
 6 My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle, and are spent without hope.
 7 Oh remember that my life is wind: Mine eye shall no more see good.
 8 The eye of him that seeth me shall behold me no more: Thine eyes shall be upon me, but I shall not be.
 9 As the cloud is consumed and vanisheth away, So he that goeth down to 'Sheol shall come up no more.
 10 He shall return no more to his house, Neither shall his place know him any more.
 11 Therefore I will not refrain my mouth; I will speak in the anguish of my spirit; I will complain in the bitterness of my soul.
 12 Am I a sea, or a sea-monster, That thou settest a watch over me?
 13 When I say, My bed shall comfort me, My couch shall ease my complaint;
 14 Then thou scarest me with dreams, And terrifiest me through visions:
 15 So that my soul chooseth strangling, And death rather than these my bones.
 16 *I loathe my life; I 'would not live alway: Let me alone; for my days are 'vanity.
 17 What is man, that thou shouldest magnify him, And that thou shouldest set thine heart upon him,
 18 And that thou shouldest visit him every morning, And try him every moment?
 19 How long wilt thou not look away from me, Nor let me alone till I swallow down my spittle?
 20 If I have sinned, what 'do I unto thee, O thou 'watcher of men? Why hast thou set me as a mark for thee, So that I am a burden to myself?
 21 And why dost thou not pardon my transgression, and take away mine iniquity? For now shall I lie down in the dust; And thou shalt seek me diligently, but I shall not be.
 8 Then answered Bildad the Shuhite, and said,
 2 How long wilt thou speak these things? And how long shall the words of thy mouth be like a mighty wind?
 3 Doth God pervert judgement? Or doth the Almighty pervert justice?
 4 *If thy children have sinned against him, And he have delivered them into the hand of their transgression:
 5 If thou wouldest seek diligently unto God, And make thy supplication to the Almighty;
 6 If thou wert pure and upright; Surely now he would awake for thee, And make the habitation of thy righteousness prosperous.
 7 And though thy beginning was small, Yet thy latter end should greatly increase.
 8 For inquire, I pray thee, of the former age, And apply thyself to that which their fathers have searched out:
 9 (For we are but of yesterday, and know nothing, Because our days upon earth are a shadow:)
 10 Shall not they teach thee, and tell thee, And utter words out of their heart?
 11 Can the 'rush grow up without mire? Can the 'flag grow without water?
 12 Whilst it is yet in its greenness, and not cut down, It withereth before any other herb.
 13 So are the paths of all that forget God; And the hope of the godless man shall perish:

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 1 Or, When shall I arise, and the night be gone?
 2 Or, is broken and become loathsome
 3 Or, the grave
 4 Or, I waste away
 5 Or, shall
 6 Or, as a breath
 7 Or, can I do
 8 Or, preserver
 9 Or, If thy children sinned, he delivered &c.
 10 Or, papyrus
 11 Or, reed-grass

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† Heb. a spider's house.	14 Whose hope shall be cut off, and whose trust shall be † a spider's web.	14 Whose confidence shall ¹ break in sunder, And whose trust is a spider's ² web.	R. V. 1 Or, be cut off 2 Heb. house.
	15 He shall lean upon his house, but it shall not stand: he shall hold it fast, but it shall not endure.	15 He shall lean upon his house, but it shall not stand: He shall hold fast thereby, but it shall not endure.	
	16 He is green before the sun, and his branch shooteth forth in his garden.	16 He is green before the sun, And his shoots go forth over his garden.	
	17 His roots are wrapped about the heap, and seeth the place of stones.	17 His roots are wrapped ³ about the heap, He beholdeth the place of stones.	3 Or, beside the spring.
	18 If he destroy him from his place, then it shall deny him, saying, I have not seen thee.	18 If he be destroyed from his place, Then it shall deny him, saying, I have not seen thee.	
	19 Behold, this is the joy of his way, and out of the earth shall others grow.	19 Behold, this is the joy of his way, And out of the ⁴ earth shall others spring.	4 Or, dust
† Heb take the vineyard by the hand.	20 Behold, God will not cast away a perfect man, neither will he † help the evil doers:	20 Behold, God will not cast away a perfect man, Neither will he uphold the evil-doers	
† Heb. shouting for joy.	21 Till he fill thy mouth with laughing, and thy lips with † rejoicing.	21 ⁵ He will yet fill thy mouth with laughter, And thy lips with shouting.	5 Or, Till he fill
† Heb. shall not be.	22 They that hate thee shall be clothed with shame; and the dwelling place of the wicked † shall come to nought.	22 They that hate thee shall be clothed with shame; And the tent of the wicked shall be no more.	
	9 Then Job answered and said,	9 Then Job answered and said,	
* Ps. 143. 2.	2 I know it is so of a truth: but how should * man be just † with God?	2 Of a truth I know that it is so: ⁶ But how can man be just † with God?	6 Or, For
† Or, before God †	3 If he will contend with him, he cannot answer him one of a thousand.	3 ⁸ If he be pleased to contend with him, He cannot answer him one of a thousand.	7 Or, before
	4 He is wise in heart, and mighty in strength: who hath hardened himself against him, and hath prospered?	4 He is wise in heart, and mighty in strength: Who hath hardened himself against him, and prospered?	8 Or, If one should deserve, he could not &c.
	5 Which removeth the mountains, and they know not: which overturneth them in his anger.	5 Which removeth the mountains, and they know it not, When he overturneth them in his anger.	
	6 Which shaketh the earth out of her place, and the pillars thereof tremble.	6 Which shaketh the earth out of her place, And the pillars thereof tremble.	
	7 Which commandeth the sun, and it riseth not; and sealeth up the stars.	7 Which commandeth the sun, and it riseth not; And sealeth up the stars.	
	8 * Which alone spreadeth out the heavens, and treadeth upon the † waves of the sea.	8 Which alone stretcheth out the heavens, And treadeth upon the ⁹ waves of the sea.	
* Gen. 1. 6.	9 * Which maketh † Arcturus, Orion, and Pleiades, and the chambers of the south.	9 Which maketh the Bear, Orion, and the Pleiades, And the chambers of the south.	9 Heb. high places.
† Heb. he ght.	10 * Which doeth great things past finding out; yea, and wonders without number.	10 Which doeth great things past finding out; Yea, marvellous things without number.	10 Or, turn him back
† Heb. he ght.	11 Lo, he goeth by me, and I see him not: he passeth on also, but I perceive him not.	11 Lo, he goeth by me, and I see him not: He passeth on also, but I perceive him not.	11 Or, arrogancy See Is. xxx. 7
* ch. 38. 31. &c. Amos 5. 8.	12 * Behold, he taketh away, † who can hinder him? who will say unto him, What doest thou?	12 Behold, he seizeth the prey, who can ¹⁰ hinder him? Who will say unto him, What doest thou?	12 Or, did
† Heb. Ah, Ceni, and Cimah.	13 If God will not withdraw his anger, the † proud helpers do stoop under him.	13 God will not withdraw his anger; The helpers of ¹¹ Rahab ¹² do stoop under him.	13 Or, him that would judge me
* ch. 5. 9.	14 How much less shall I answer him, and choose out my words to reason with him?	14 How much less shall I answer him, And choose out my words to reason with him?	11 Heb. He who.
* Isai. 45. 9.	15 Whom, though I were righteous, yet would I not answer, but I would make supplication to my judge.	15 Whom, though I were righteous, yet would I not answer; I would make supplication to ¹³ mine adversary:	15 Or, If we speak of strength, lo, he is mighty
† Heb. who can turn him away?	16 If I had called, and he had answered me; yet would I not believe that he had hearkened unto my voice.	16 If I had called, and he had answered me; Yet would I not believe that he hearkened unto my voice.	16 Or, Lo, hero am I, saith he; and if of judgement, Who &c.
† Heb. helps of pride, or, strength.	17 For he breaketh me with a tempest, and multiplieth my wounds without cause.	17 ¹⁴ For he breaketh me with a tempest, And multiplieth my wounds without cause.	17 Or, he
	18 He will not suffer me to take my breath, but filleth me with bitterness.	18 He will not suffer me to take my breath, But filleth me with bitterness.	18 Or, Lo, hero am I, saith he; and if of judgement, Who &c.
	19 If I speak of strength, lo, he is strong: and if of judgment, who shall set me a time to plead?	19 ¹⁵ If we speak of the strength of the mighty, ¹⁶ lo, he is there! And if of judgement, who will appoint me a time?	19 Or, he
	20 If I justify myself, mine own mouth shall condemn me: if I say, I am perfect, it shall also prove me perverse.	20 Though I be righteous, mine own mouth shall condemn me: Though I be perfect, ¹⁷ it shall prove me perverse.	19 See ch. 1. 1.
	21 Though I were perfect, yet would I not know my soul: I would despise my life.	21 ¹⁸ I am ¹⁹ perfect; I regard not myself; I despise my life.	20 Or, calaninity
	22 This is one thing, therefore I said it, He destroyeth the perfect and the wicked.	22 It is all one; therefore I say, He destroyeth the perfect and the wicked.	21 Or, runner
	23 If the scourge slay suddenly, he will laugh at the trial of the innocent.	23 If the scourge slay suddenly, He will mock at the ²⁰ trial of the innocent.	
	24 The earth is given into the hand of the wicked: he covereth the faces of the judges thereof; if not, where, and who is he?	24 The earth is given into the hand of the wicked: He covereth the faces of the judges thereof; If it be not he, who then is it?	
	25 Now my days are swifter than a post: they flee away, they see no good.	25 Now my days are swifter than a ²¹ post: They flee away, they see no good.	

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† Heb. ships of desire.
† Or, ships of Babel.

† Or, make me to be abhorred.

† Heb. one that should argue.

† Or, umpire.

† Heb. but I am not so with myself.

† Or, cut off while I live.

† Heb. the labour of thine hands.

† Heb. It is upon thy knowledge.

† Heb. took pains about me

* Ps. 139 14, 15, 16.

: [1611 cruddled]

† Heb. hedged.

† That is, thy plagues.

* ch. 3. 11.

* See ch. 7. v. & 8. 9.

26 They are passed away as the ¹ swift ships: as the eagle *that* hasteth to the prey.

27 If I say, I will forget my complaint, I will leave off my heaviness, and comfort *myself*:

28 I am afraid of all my sorrows, I know that thou wilt not hold me innocent.

29 *If* I be wicked, why then labour I in vain?

30 If I wash myself with snow water, and make my hands never so clean;

31 Yet shalt thou plunge me in the ditch, and mine own clothes shall ² abhor me.

32 *For he is not a man, as I am, that I should answer him, and we should come together in judgement.*

33 Neither is there ³ any ⁴ daysman betwixt us, *that might lay his hand upon us both.*

34 Let him take his rod away from me, and let not his fear terrify me:

35 *Then* would I speak, and not fear him; [†] but *it is not so with me.*

10 My soul is ⁵ weary of my life; I will leave my complaint upon myself; I will speak in the bitterness of my soul.

2 I will say unto God, Do not condemn me; shew me wherefore thou contendest with me.

3 *Is it good unto thee that thou shouldest oppress, that thou shouldest despise [†] the work of thine hands, and shine upon the counsel of the wicked?*

4 Hast thou eyes of flesh? or seest thou as man seeth?

5 *Are thy days as the days of man? are thy years as man's days,*

6 That thou enquirest after mine iniquity, and searchest after my sin?

7 [†] Thou knowest that I am not wicked; and *there is none that can deliver out of thine hand.*

8 Thine hands [†] have made me and fashioned me together round about; yet thou dost destroy me.

9 Remember, I beseech thee, that thou hast made me as the clay; and wilt thou bring me into dust again?

10 ^{*} Hast thou not poured me out as milk, and curdled me like cheese?

11 Thou hast clothed me with skin and flesh, and hast [†] fenced me with bones and sinews.

12 Thou hast granted me life and favour, and thy visitation hath preserved my spirit.

13 And these *things* hast thou hid in thine heart: I know that *this is* with thee.

14 If I sin, then thou markest me, and thou wilt not acquit me from mine iniquity.

15 If I be wicked, woe unto me; and *if* I be righteous, yet will I not lift up my head. *I am full of confusion; therefore see thou mine affliction;*

16 For it increaseth. Thou huntest me as a fierce lion: and again thou shewest thyself marvellous upon me.

17 Thou renewest [†] thy witnesses against me, and increasest thine indignation upon me; changes and war are against me.

18 ^{*} Wherefore then hast thou brought me forth out of the womb? Oh that I had given up the ghost, and no eye had seen me!

19 I should have been as though I had not been; I should have been carried from the womb to the grave.

20 ^{*} *Are not my days few? cease then, and let me alone, that I may take comfort a little,*

21 Before I go whence I shall not return, even to the land of darkness and the shadow of death;

26 They are passed away as the ¹ swift ships: As the eagle that swoopeth on the prey.

27 If I say, I will forget my complaint, I will put off my *sad* countenance, and ² be of good cheer:

28 I am afraid of all my sorrows, I know that thou wilt not hold me innocent.

29 I shall be condemned; Why then do I labour in vain?

30 If I wash myself ³ with snow water, And ⁴ make my hands never so clean;

31 Yet wilt thou plunge me in the ditch, And mine own clothes shall abhor me.

32 For he is not a man, as I am, that I should answer him,

That we should come together in judgement.

33 There is no ⁵ daysman betwixt us, That might lay his hand upon us both.

34 Let him take his rod away from me, And let not his terror make me afraid:

35 Then would I speak, and not fear him; For I am not so in myself.

10 My soul is weary of my life; I will give free course to my complaint; I will speak in the bitterness of my soul.

2 I will say unto God, Do not condemn me; Shew me wherefore thou contendest with me.

3 Is it good unto thee that thou shouldest oppress, That thou shouldest despise the ⁶ work of thine hands,

And shine upon the counsel of the wicked?

4 Hast thou eyes of flesh, Or seest thou as man seeth?

5 Are thy days as the days of man, Or thy years as man's days,

6 That thou inquirest after mine iniquity, And searchest after my sin,

7 Although thou knowest that I am not wicked; And there is none that can deliver out of thine hand?

8 Thine hands have framed me and fashioned me Together round about; yet thou dost destroy me.

9 Remember, I beseech thee, that thou hast fashioned me as clay; And wilt thou bring me into dust again?

10 Hast thou not poured me out as milk, And curdled me like cheese?

11 Thou hast clothed me with skin and flesh, And knit me together with bones and sinews.

12 Thou hast granted me life and favour, And thy ⁷ visitation hath preserved my spirit.

13 Yet these things thou didst hide in thine heart; I know that *this is* with thee:

14 If I sin, then thou markest me, And thou wilt not acquit me from mine iniquity.

15 If I be wicked, woe unto me; And if I be righteous, yet shall I not lift up my head;

⁸ Being filled with ignominy And looking upon mine affliction.

16 And if *my head* exalt itself, thou huntest me as a lion:

And again thou shewest thyself marvellous upon me.

17 Thou renewest thy witnesses against me, And increasest thine indignation upon me;

⁹ Changes and warfare are with me.

18 Wherefore then hast thou brought me forth out of the womb?

I had given up the ghost, and no eye had seen me.

19 I should have been as though I had not been; I should have been carried from the womb to the grave.

20 Are not my days few? ¹⁰ cease then, And let me alone, that I may ¹¹ take comfort a little,

21 Before I go whence I shall not return, Even to the land of darkness and of the shadow of death;

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¹ Heb. ships of reed.
² Heb. brighten up.

³ Another reading is, with snow.

⁴ Heb. cleanse my hands with lye.
⁵ Or, umpire

⁶ Heb. labour.

⁷ Or, care

⁸ Or, I am filled with ignominy, but look thou ... for it increaseth - thou &c.

⁹ Or, Host after host is against me

¹⁰ Another reading is, let him cease, and leave me alone.

¹¹ Heb. brighten up

A. V.

22 A land of darkness, as darkness *itself*; and of the shadow of death, without any order, and *where* the light *is* as darkness.

11 Then answered Zophar the Naamathite, and said,

2 Should not the multitude of words be answered? and should [†]a man full of talk be justified?

3 Should thy [†]lies make men hold their peace? and when thou mockest, shall no man make thee ashamed?

4 For thou hast said, My doctrine *is* pure, and I am clean in thine eyes.

5 But oh that God would speak, and open his lips against thee;

6 And that he would shew thee the secrets of wisdom, that *they are* double to that which is! Know therefore that God exacteth of thee *less* than thine iniquity *deserveth*.

7 Canst thou by searching find out God? canst thou find out the Almighty unto perfection?

8 *It is* [†]as high as heaven; what canst thou do? deeper than hell; what canst thou know?

9 The measure thereof *is* longer than the earth, and broader than the sea.

10 If he [†]cut off, and shut up, or gather together, then [†]who can hinder him?

11 For he knoweth vain men: he seeth wickedness also; will he not then consider *it*?

12 For [†]vain man would be wise, though man be born *like* a wild ass's colt.

13 If thou prepare thine heart, and stretch out thine hands toward him;

14 If iniquity *be* in thine hand, put it far away, and let not wickedness dwell in thy tabernacles

15 For then shalt thou lift up thy face without spot; yea, thou shalt be stedfast, and shalt not fear:

16 Because thou shalt forget *thy* misery, and remember *it* as waters that pass away:

17 And *thine* ago [†]shall be clearer than the noonday; thou shalt shine forth, thou shalt be as the morning.

18 And thou shalt be secure, because there is hope; yea, thou shalt dig *about thee*, and thou shalt take thy rest in safety.

19 ^{*}Also thou shalt lie down, and none shall make thee afraid; yea, many shall [†]make suit unto thee.

20 But the eyes of the wicked shall fail, and [†]they shall not escape, and ^{*}their hope *shall be* as [†]the giving up of the ghost.

12 And Job answered and said,

2 No doubt but ye *are* the people, and wisdom shall die with you.

3 But I have [†]understanding as well as you; [†]I am not inferior to you: yea, [†]who knoweth not such things as these?

4 I am *as* one mocked of his neighbour, who calleth upon God, and he answereth him: the just upright man *is* laughed to scorn.

5 He that is ready to slip with *his* feet *is* as a lamp despised in the thought of him that is at ease.

6 The tabernacles of robbers prosper, and they that provoke God are secure; into whose hand God bringeth *abundantly*.

7 But ask now the beasts, and they shall teach thee; and the fowls of the air, and they shall tell thee:

8 Or speak to the earth, and it shall teach thee: and the fishes of the sea shall declare unto thee.

† Heb. a man of lips.
† Or, deceives

† Heb. the heights of heaven.

† Or, make a channel.

† Heb. who can turn him away?

† Heb. empty.

† Heb. shall arise above the noon-day

* Lev. 25. 6.

† Heb. intreat thy face.

† Heb. flight shall perish from them

* ch. 8. 14.

& 18. 14.

† Or, a puff of breath.

† Heb. an heart.

† Heb. I fall not lower than you.

† Heb. with whom are not such as these?

22 A land of thick darkness, as darkness *itself*; *A land* of the shadow of death, without any order, And where the light is as darkness.

11 Then answered Zophar the Naamathite, and said,

2 Should not the multitude of words be answered? And should a man full of talk be justified?

3 Should thy boastings make men hold their peace? And when thou mockest, shall no man make thee ashamed?

4 For thou sayest, My doctrine is pure, And I am clean in thine eyes.

5 But Oh that God would speak, And open his lips against thee;

6 And that he would shew thee the secrets of wisdom,

1 That it is manifold in effectual working! Know therefore that God ²exacteth of thee less than thine iniquity *deserveth*.

7 ³Canst thou by searching find out God? Canst thou find out the Almighty unto perfection?

8 ⁴It is high as heaven; what canst thou do? Deeper than ⁵Sheol; what canst thou know?

9 The measure thereof is longer than the earth, And broader than the sea.

10 If he pass through, and shut up, And ⁶call unto judgement, then who can hinder him?

11 For he knoweth vain men: He seeth iniquity also, ⁷even though he consider it not.

12 ⁸But vain man is void of understanding, Yea, man is born *as* a wild ass's colt.

13 If thou set thine heart aright, And stretch out thine hands toward him;

14 If iniquity *be* in thine hand, put it far away, And let not unrighteousness dwell in thy tents;

15 Surely then shalt thou lift up thy face without spot;

Yea, thou shalt be stedfast, and shalt not fear: 16 For thou shalt forget thy misery; Thou shalt remember it as waters that are passed away:

17 And *thy* life shall ⁹be clearer than the noonday; Though there be darkness, it shall be as the morning.

18 And thou shalt be secure, because there is hope; Yea, thou shalt search *about thee*, and shalt take thy rest in safety.

19 Also thou shalt lie down, and none shall make thee afraid;

Yea, many shall make suit unto thee. 20 But the eyes of the wicked shall fail, And ¹⁰they shall have no way to flee, And their hope shall be the giving up of the ghost.

12 Then Job answered and said,

2 No doubt but ye *are* the people, And wisdom shall die with you.

3 But I have understanding as well as you; I am not inferior to you:

Yea, who knoweth not such things as these? 4 I am as one that is a laughing-stock to his neighbour,

A man that called upon God, and he answered him:

The just, the perfect man is a laughing-stock.

5 In the thought of him that is at ease there is contempt for misfortune;

It is ready for them whose foot slippeth.

6 The tents of robbers prosper, And they that provoke God are secure;

¹¹Into whose hand God bringeth *abundantly*.

7 But ask now the beasts, and they shall teach thee; And the fowls of the air, and they shall tell thee:

8 Or speak to the earth, and it shall teach thee; And the fishes of the sea shall declare unto thee.

R. V.

1 Or, For sound was thou is manifold

2 Or, remitth (Heb causeth to be forgotten) unto thee of thine iniquity

3 Or, Canst thou find out the deep things of God?

4 Heb. The heights of heaven.

5 Or, the grave

6 Heb call an assembly.

7 Or, and him that considereth not

8 Or, But an empty man will get under standing, when a wild ass's colt is born a man

9 Or, as is above

10 Heb. refused is perished from them.

11 Or, That bring their god in their hand

A. V.

1 Or, *life*.
 † Heb. *all flesh of man*.
 * ch. 34. 3.
 † Heb. *palate*.
 † That is, *with God*.
 * Isai. 22. 22.
 Rev. 3. 7.
 † Heb. *upon*.

9 Who knoweth not in all these that the hand of the Lord hath wrought this?

10 In whose hand is the soul of every living thing, and the breath of all mankind.

11 * Doth not the ear try words? and the mouth taste his meat?

12 With the ancient is wisdom; and in length of days understanding.

13 With him is wisdom and strength, he hath counsel and understanding.

14 Behold, he breaketh down, and it cannot be built again; he *shutteth up a man, and there can be no opening.

15 Behold, he withholdeth the waters, and they dry up; also he sendeth them out, and they overturn the earth.

16 With him is strength and wisdom: the deceived and the deceiver are his.

17 He leadeth counsellors away spoiled, and maketh the judges fools.

18 He looseth the bond of kings, and girdeth their loins with a girdle.

19 He leadeth princes away spoiled, and overthroweth the mighty.

20 * He removeth away the speech of the trusty, and taketh away the understanding of the aged.

21 He poureth contempt upon princes, and weakeneth the strength of the mighty.

22 He discovereth deep things out of darkness, and bringeth out to light the shadow of death.

23 He increaseth the nations, and destroyeth them: he enlargeth the nations, and straiteneth them again.

24 He taketh away the heart of the chief of the people of the earth, and causeth them to wander in a wilderness where there is no way.

25 They grope in the dark without light, and he maketh them to stagger like a drunken man.

13 Lo, mine eye hath seen all this, mine ear hath heard and understood it.

2 What ye know, the same do I know also: I am not inferior unto you.

3 Surely I would speak to the Almighty, and I desire to reason with God.

4 But ye are forgers of lies, ye are all physicians of no value.

5 O that ye would altogether hold your peace! and it should be your wisdom.

6 Hear now my reasoning, and hearken to the pleadings of my lips.

7 Will ye speak wickedly for God? and talk deceitfully for him?

8 Will ye accept his person? will ye contend for God?

9 Is it good that he should search you out? or as one man mocketh another, do ye so mock him?

10 He will surely reprove you, if ye do secretly accept persons.

11 Shall not his excellency make you afraid? and his dread fall upon you?

12 Your remembrances are like unto ashes, your bodies to bodies of clay.

13 Hold your peace, let me alone, that I may speak, and let come on me what will.

14 Wherefore do I take my flesh in my teeth, and put my life in mine hand?

15 Though he slay me, yet will I trust in him: but I will maintain mine own ways before him.

16 He also shall be my salvation: for an hypocrite shall not come before him.

17 Hear diligently my speech, and my declaration with your ears.

* ch. 32. 9.
 † Heb. *the lip of the faithful*.
 † Or, *looseth the girdle of the strong*.
 † Heb. *leadeth on*.
 † Heb. *wander*.

† Heb. *Be silent from me*.

† Heb. *prove, or, argue*.

9 Who knoweth not in all these, That the hand of the Lord hath wrought this?

10 In whose hand is the soul of every living thing, And the breath of all mankind.

11 Doth not the ear try words, Even as the palate tasteth its meat?

12 With aged men is wisdom, And in length of days understanding.

13 With him is wisdom and might; He hath counsel and understanding.

14 Behold, he breaketh down, and it cannot be built again; He shutteth up a man, and there can be no opening.

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19 He leadeth priests away spoiled, And overthroweth the mighty.

20 He removeth the speech of the trusty, And taketh away the understanding of the elders.

21 He poureth contempt upon princes, And looseth the belt of the strong.

22 He discovereth deep things out of darkness, And bringeth out to light the shadow of death.

23 He increaseth the nations, and destroyeth them: He spreadeth the nations abroad, and bringeth them in.

24 He taketh away the heart of the chiefs of the people of the earth, And causeth them to wander in a wilderness where there is no way.

25 They grope in the dark without light, And he maketh them to stagger like a drunken man.

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2 What ye know, the same do I know also: I am not inferior unto you.

3 Surely I would speak to the Almighty, And I desire to reason with God.

4 But ye are forgers of lies, Ye are all physicians of no value.

5 Oh that ye would altogether hold your peace! And it should be your wisdom.

6 Hear now my reasoning, And hearken to the pleadings of my lips.

7 Will ye speak unrighteously for God, And talk deceitfully for him?

8 Will ye respect his person? Will ye contend for God?

9 Is it good that he should search you out? Or as one deceiveth a man, will ye deceive him?

10 He will surely reprove you, If ye do secretly respect persons.

11 Shall not his excellency make you afraid, And his dread fall upon you?

12 Your memorable sayings are proverbs of ashes, Your defences are defences of clay.

13 Hold your peace, let me alone, that I may speak, And let come on me what will.

14 Wherefore should I take my flesh in my teeth, And put my life in mine hand?

15 Though he slay me, yet will I wait for him: Nevertheless I will maintain my ways before him.

16 This also shall be my salvation; For a godless man shall not come before him.

17 Hear diligently my speech, And let my declaration be in your ears.

R. V.

1 Or, *by*
 2 Or, *spirit*
 3 Or, *With aged men, ye say, is wisdom*

4 Or, *sound wisdom*

5 Or, *leadeth them away*
 6 Or, *land*

7 Heb. *wander*.

8 Or, *shew him favour*

9 Or, *mocketh*
 10 Or, *mock*

11 Or, *shew favour*

12 Or, *At all adventures I will take &c.*

13 Or, *Behold, he will slay me;*

I wait for him

or, according to another reading, *I will not wait*

or, *I have no hope*

14 Heb. *argue*.

15 Or, *He*
 16 Or, *That*

A. V.

18 Behold now, I have ordered *my* cause; I know that I shall be justified.

19 Who is he that will plead with me? for now, if I hold my tongue, I shall give up the ghost.

20 Only do not two things unto me: then will I not hide myself from thee.

21 Withdraw thine hand far from me: and let not thy dread make me afraid.

22 Then call thou, and I will answer: or let me speak, and answer thou me.

23 How many are mine iniquities and sins? make me to know my transgression and my sin.

24 Wherefore hidest thou thy face, and holdest me for thine enemy?

25 Wilt thou break a leaf driven to and fro? and wilt thou pursue the dry stubble?

26 For thou writest bitter things against me, and makest me to possess the iniquities of my youth.

27 Thou puttest my feet also in the stocks, and lookest narrowly unto all my paths; thou settest a print upon the heels of my feet.

28 And he, as a rotten thing, consumeth, as a garment that is moth eaten.

14 Man that is born of a woman is of few days, and full of trouble.

2 *He cometh forth like a flower, and is cut down: he fleeth also as a shadow, and continueth not.

3 And dost thou open thine eyes upon such an one, and bringest me into judgement with thee?

4 *Who can bring a clean thing out of an unclean? not one.

5 *Seeing his days are determined, the number of his months are with thee, thou hast appointed his bounds that he cannot pass;

6 Turn from him, that he may rest, till he shall accomplish, as an hireling, his day.

7 For there is hope of a tree, if it be cut down, that it will sprout again, and that the tender branch thereof will not cease.

8 Though the root thereof wax old in the earth, and the stock thereof die in the ground;

9 Yet through the scent of water it will bud, and bring forth boughs like a plant.

10 But man dieth, and wasteth away: yea, man giveth up the ghost, and where is he?

11 As the waters fail from the sea, and the flood decayeth and drieth up:

12 So man lieth down, and riseth not: till the heavens be no more, they shall not awake, nor be raised out of their sleep.

13 O that thou wouldest hide me in the grave, that thou wouldest keep me secret, until thy wrath be past, that thou wouldest appoint me a set time, and remember me!

14 If a man die, shall he live again? all the days of my appointed time will I wait, till my change come.

15 Thou shalt call, and I will answer thee: thou wilt have a desire to the work of thine hands.

16 *For now thou numberest my steps: dost thou not watch over my sin?

17 My transgression is sealed up in a bag, and thou sewest up mine iniquity.

18 And surely the mountain falling cometh to nought, and the rock is removed out of his place.

19 The waters wear the stones: thou wastest away the things which grow out of the dust of the earth; and thou destroyest the hope of man.

20 Thou prevailest for ever against him, and he passeth: thou changest his countenance, and sendest him away.

18 Behold now, I have ordered my cause; I know that I am righteous.

19 Who is he that will contend with me? For now shall I hold my peace and give up the ghost.

20 Only do not two things unto me, Then will I not hide myself from thy face:

21 Withdraw thine hand far from me; And let not thy terror make me afraid.

22 Then call thou, and I will answer; Or let me speak, and answer thou me.

23 How many are mine iniquities and sins? Make me to know my transgression and my sin.

24 Wherefore hidest thou thy face, And holdest me for thine enemy?

25 Wilt thou harass a driven leaf? And wilt thou pursue the dry stubble?

26 For thou writest bitter things against me, And makest me to inherit the iniquities of my youth:

27 Thou puttest my feet also in the stocks, and markest all my paths; Thou drawest thee a line about the soles of my feet:

28 *Though I am like a rotten thing that consumeth, Like a garment that is moth-eaten.

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3 And dost thou open thine eyes upon such an one, And bringest me into judgement with thee?

4 *Who can bring a clean thing out of an unclean? not one.

5 Seeing his days are determined, the number of his months is with thee, And thou hast appointed his bounds that he cannot pass;

6 Look away from him, that he may rest, Till he shall accomplish, as an hireling, his day.

7 For there is hope of a tree, if it be cut down, that it will sprout again, And that the tender branch thereof will not cease.

8 Though the root thereof wax old in the earth, And the stock thereof die in the ground;

9 Yet through the scent of water it will bud, And put forth boughs like a plant.

10 But man dieth, and wasteth away: Yea, man giveth up the ghost, and where is he?

11 *As the waters fail from the sea, And the river decayeth and drieth up;

12 So man lieth down and riseth not: Till the heavens be no more, they shall not awake, Nor be roused out of their sleep.

13 Oh that thou wouldest hide me in Sheol, That thou wouldest keep me secret, until thy wrath be past, That thou wouldest appoint me a set time, and remember me!

14 If a man die, shall he live again? All the days of my warfare would I wait, Till my release should come.

15 *Thou shouldest call, and I would answer thee: Thou wouldest have a desire to the work of thine hands.

16 But now thou numberest my steps: Dost thou not watch over my sin?

17 My transgression is sealed up in a bag, And thou fastest up mine iniquity.

18 And surely the mountain falling cometh to nought, And the rock is removed out of its place;

19 The waters wear the stones; The overflowings thereof wash away the dust of the earth;

20 Thou destroyest the hope of man, And thou prevailest for ever against him, and he passeth;

Thou changest his countenance, and sendest him away.

R. V.

¹ Or, shall be justified
² Or, if I hold my peace, I shall give up &c.

³ Heb. And he is like.

⁴ Or, withereth.

⁵ Or, Oh that a clean thing could come out of an unclean! not one can

⁶ Heb. case.

⁷ Or, have pleasure in

⁸ Or, lieth low
⁹ See Is. vi. 5
¹⁰ Heb. are gone.

¹¹ Or, the grave

¹² Or, will, shall come

¹³ Or, change

¹⁴ Or, Thou shalt call, and I will &c.

¹⁵ Heb. fadeth away.

* Ps. 25.

† Heb. observat.

† Heb. roots.

† Heb. short of days.

* ch. 8. 9. Ps. 102. 11.

& 103. 15. & 144. 4.

† Heb. Who will give.

* Ps. 61. 5.

* ch. 7. 1. † Heb. cease.

† Heb. is weakened, or, cut off.

* Ps. 139. 2.

† Heb. fadeth.

† Heb. over-floweth.

A. V.			R. V.
	21 His sons come to honour, and he knoweth it not; and they are brought low, but he perceiveth it not of them.	21 His sons come to honour, and he knoweth it not; And they are brought low, but he perceiveth it not of them.	
	22 But his flesh upon him shall have pain, and his soul within him shall mourn.	22 ¹ But his flesh upon him hath pain, And his soul within him mourneth.	¹ Or, Only for himself his flesh hath pain, and for himself his soul mourneth
	15 Then answered Eliphaz the Temanite, and said,	15 Then answered Eliphaz the Temanite, and said,	
[†] Heb. knowledge of wind.	2 Should a wise man utter [†] vain knowledge, and fill his belly with the east wind?	2 Should a wise man make answer with ² vain knowledge, And fill his belly with the east wind?	² Heb. knowledge of wind.
[†] Heb. thou makest void.	3 Should he reason with unprofitable talk? or with speeches wherewith he can do no good?	3 Should he reason with unprofitable talk, Or with speeches wherewith he can do no good?	³ Heb. diminisheth.
[†] Or, speech.	4 Yea, [†] thou castest off fear, and restrainest [†] prayer before God.	4 Yea, thou doest away with fear, And ³ restrainest ⁴ devotion before God.	⁴ Or, meditation
[†] Heb. teacheth.	5 For thy mouth [†] uttereth thine iniquity, and thou chooseth the tongue of the crafty.	5 For ⁵ thine iniquity teacheth thy mouth, And thou chooseth the tongue of the crafty.	⁵ Or, thy mouth teacheth thine iniquity
	6 Thine own mouth condemneth thee, and not I: yea, thine own lips testify against thee.	6 Thine own mouth condemneth thee, and not I; Yea, thine own lips testify against thee.	⁶ Or, Dost thou hearken in the council
[*] Rom. 11 34.	7 Art thou the first man that was born? or wast thou made before the hills?	7 Art thou the first man that was born? Or wast thou brought forth before the hills?	⁷ Or, Or is there any secret thing with thee?
	8 [*] Hast thou heard the secret of God? and dost thou restrain wisdom to thyself?	8 ⁸ Hast thou heard the secret counsel of God? And dost thou restrain wisdom to thyself?	⁸ Or, that which is
	9 What knowest thou, that we know not? what understandest thou, which is not in us?	9 What knowest thou, that we know not? What understandest thou, which is not in us?	
	10 With us are both the grayheaded and very aged men, much elder than thy father.	10 With us are both the grayheaded and the very aged men, Much elder than thy father.	
	11 Are the consolations of God small with thee? is there any secret thing with thee?	11 Are the consolations of God too small for thee, ⁷ And the word that <i>dealeth</i> gently with thee?	
	12 Why doth thine heart carry thee away? and what do thy eyes wink at,	12 Why doth thine heart carry thee away? And why do thine eyes wink?	
	13 That thou turnest thy spirit against God, and tellest such words go out of thy mouth?	13 That thou turnest thy spirit against God, And tellest such words go out of thy mouth.	
[*] 1 King: 8. 46 2 Chr. 6. 36. ch. 14. 4 Ps. 14. 3. Prov. 20. 9. 1 John 1. 8. [*] ch. 4. 15.	14 [*] What is man, that he should be clean? and he which is born of a woman, that he should be righteous?	14 What is man, that he should be clean? And he which is born of a woman, that he should be righteous?	
	15 [*] Behold, he putteth no trust in his saints; yea, the heavens are not clean in his sight.	15 Behold, he putteth no trust in his holy ones; Yea, the heavens are not clean in his sight.	
	16 How much more abominable and filthy is man, which drinketh iniquity like water?	16 How much less ⁸ one that is abominable and corrupt, A man that drinketh iniquity like water!	
	17 I will shew thee, hear me; and that which I have seen I will declare;	17 I will shew thee, hear thou me; And that which I have seen I will declare:	
	18 Which wise men have told from their fathers, and have not hid it:	18 (Which wise men have told From their fathers, and have not hid it;	
	19 Unto whom alone the land was given, and no stranger passed among them.)	19 Unto whom alone the land was given, And no stranger passed among them.)	
	20 The wicked man travaileth with pain all his days, and the number of years is hidden to the oppressor.	20 The wicked man travaileth with pain all his days, ⁹ Even the number of years that are laid up for the oppressor.	⁹ Or, And years that are numbered are laid up &c.
	21 [†] A dreadful sound is in his ears: in prosperity the destroyer shall come upon him.	21 A sound of terrors is in his ears; In prosperity the spoiler shall come upon him:	
[†] Heb. A sound of fears.	22 He believeth not that he shall return out of darkness, and he is waited for of the sword.	22 He believeth not that he shall return out of darkness, And he is waited for of the sword:	
	23 He wandereth abroad for bread, saying, Where is it? he knoweth that the day of darkness is ready at his hand.	23 He wandereth abroad for bread, saying, Where is it? He knoweth that the day of darkness is ready at his hand:	
	24 Trouble and anguish shall make him afraid; they shall prevail against him, as a king ready to the battle.	24 Distress and anguish make him afraid; They prevail against him, as a king ready to the battle:	
	25 For he stretcheth out his hand against God, and strengtheneth himself against the Almighty.	25 Because he hath stretched out his hand against God, And ¹⁰ behaveth himself proudly against the Almighty;	¹⁰ Or, biddeth defiance to
	26 He runneth upon him, even on his neck, upon the thick bosses of his bucklers:	26 He runneth upon him with a stiff neck, ¹¹ With the thick bosses of his bucklers:	¹¹ Or, Upon
	27 Because he covereth his face with his fatness, and maketh collops of fat on his flanks.	27 Because he hath covered his face with his fatness, And made collops of fat on his flanks;	¹² Heb. cut off.
	28 And he dwelleth in desolate cities, and in houses which no man inhabiteth, which are ready to become heaps.	28 And he hath dwelt in ¹³ desolate cities, In houses which no man ¹³ inhabited, Which were ready to become heaps.	¹³ Or, would inhabit
	29 He shall not be rich, neither shall his substance continue, neither shall he prolong the perfection thereof upon the earth.	29 He shall not be rich, neither shall his substance continue, Neither shall ¹⁴ their produce bend to the earth.	¹⁴ Or, their possessions be extended on the earth
	30 He shall not depart out of darkness; the flame shall dry up his branches, and by the breath of his mouth shall he go away.	30 He shall not depart out of darkness; The flame shall dry up his branches, And by the breath of his mouth shall he go away.	

A. V.			R. V.
* Or, cut off.	31 Let not him that is deceived trust in vanity. for vanity shall be his recompence.	31 Let him not trust in vanity, deceiving himself. For vanity shall be his recompence.	1 Or, paid in full
	32 It shall be accomplished before his time, and his branch shall not be green.	32 It shall be accomplished before his time, And his branch shall not be green.	
* Ps. 7. 13 Isai. 59. 4.	33 He shall shake off his unripe grape as the vine, and shall cast off his flower as the olive.	33 He shall shake off his unripe grape as the vine, And shall cast off his flower as the olive	
† Or, iniquity.	34 For the congregation of hypocrites shall be desolate, and fire shall consume the tabernacles of bribery.	34 For the company of the godless shall be barren, And fire shall consume the tents of bribery.	
† Or, troublesome.	35 *They conceive mischief, and bring forth vanity, and their belly prepareth deceit.	35 They conceive mischief, and bring forth iniquity, And their belly prepareth deceit.	
* ch. 13. 4.	16 Then Job answered and said,	16 Then Job answered and said,	
† Heb. words of wind.	2 I have heard many such things: I *miserable comforters are ye all.	2 I have heard many such things: Miserable comforters are ye all.	2 Or, Wearisome
† Heb. what goeth from me?	3 Shall vain words have an end? or what emboldeneth thee that thou answerest?	3 Shall vain words have an end? Or what provoketh thee that thou answerest?	3 Heb. words of wind.
	4 I also could speak as ye do: if your soul were in my soul's stead, I could heap up words against you, and shake mine head at you.	4 I also could speak as ye do; If your soul were in my soul's stead, I could join words together against you, And shake mine head at you.	
	5 But I would strengthen you with my mouth, and the moving of my lips should assuage your grief.	5 But I would strengthen you with my mouth, And the solace of my lips should assuage your grief.	
	6 Though I speak, my grief is not asswaged: and though I forbear, what am I eased?	6 Though I speak, my grief is not asswaged: And though I forbear, what am I eased?	4 Heb. what departeth from me?
	7 But now he hath made me weary: thou hast made desolate all my company.	7 But now he hath made me weary: Thou hast made desolate all my company.	5 Or, shrivelled me up
	8 And thou hast filled me with wrinkles, which is a witness against me: and my leanness rising up in me beareth witness to my face.	8 And thou hast laid fast hold on me, which is a witness against me: And my leanness riseth up against me, it testifieth to my face.	6 Or, hated
	9 He teareth me in his wrath, who hateth me: he gnasheth upon me with his teeth; mine enemy sharpeneth his eyes upon me.	9 He hath torn me in his wrath, and persecuted me; He hath gnashed upon me with his teeth: Mine adversary sharpeneth his eyes upon me.	
	10 They have gaped upon me with their mouth; they have smitten me upon the cheek reproachfully; they have gathered themselves together against me.	10 They have gaped upon me with their mouth; They have smitten me upon the cheek reproachfully: They gather themselves together against me.	
	11 God hath delivered me to the ungodly, and turned me over into the hands of the wicked.	11 God delivereth me to the ungodly, And casteth me into the hands of the wicked.	
	12 I was at ease, but he hath broken me asunder: he hath also taken me by my neck, and shaken me to pieces, and set me up for his mark.	12 I was at ease, and he brake me asunder; Yea, he hath taken me by the neck, and dashed me to pieces:	
	13 His archers compass me round about, he cleaveth my reins asunder, and doth not spare; he poureth out my gall upon the ground.	13 His archers compass me round about, He cleaveth my reins asunder, and doth not spare; He poureth out my gall upon the ground.	7 Or, arrows
	14 He breaketh me with breach upon breach, he runneth upon me like a giant.	14 He breaketh me with breach upon breach; He runneth upon me like a giant.	8 Or, mighty ones
	15 I have sewed sackcloth upon my skin, and defiled my horn in the dust.	15 I have sewed sackcloth upon my skin, And have laid my horn in the dust.	9 Or, denied
	16 My face is foul with weeping, and on my eyelids is the shadow of death;	16 My face is foul with weeping, And on my eyelids is the shadow of death;	10 Or, red
	17 Not for any injustice in mine hands: also my prayer is pure.	17 Although there is no violence in mine hands, And my prayer is pure.	
	18 O earth, cover not thou my blood, and let my cry have no place.	18 O earth, cover not thou my blood, And let my cry have no resting place.	11 Or, have no more place
	19 Also now, behold, my witness is in heaven, and my record is on high.	19 Even now, behold, my witness is in heaven, And he that voucheth for me is on high.	
	20 My friends scorn me: but mine eye poureth out tears unto God.	20 My friends scorn me: But mine eye poureth out tears unto God;	
	21 O that one might plead for a man with God, as a man pleadeth for his neighbour!	21 That he would maintain the right of a man with God, And of a son of man with his neighbour!	12 Or, That one might plead for a man with God, as a son of man pleadeth for his neighbour
	22 When a few years are come, then I shall go the way whence I shall not return.	22 For when a few years are come, I shall go the way whence I shall not return.	13 Heb. mockery.
	17 My breath is corrupt, my days are extinct, the graves are ready for me.	17 My spirit is consumed, my days are extinct, The grave is ready for me.	14 Heb. portion.
	2 Are there not mockers with me? and doth not mine eye continue in their provocation?	2 Surely there are mockers with me, And mine eye abideth in their provocation.	
	3 Lay down now, put me in a surety with thee; who is he that will strike hands with me?	3 Give now a pledge, be surety for me with thyself; Who is there that will strike hands with me?	
	4 For thou hast hid their heart from understanding: therefore shalt thou not exalt them.	4 For thou hast hid their heart from understanding: Therefore shalt thou not exalt them.	
	5 He that speaketh flattery to his friends, even the eyes of his children shall fail.	5 He that denounceth his friends for a prey, Even the eyes of his children shall fail.	

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	6 He hath made me also a byword of the people; and ¹ afoetime I was as a tabret.	6 He hath made me also a byword of the people; And I am become ² an open abhorring.	
¹ Or, before them.	7 Mine eye also is dim by reason of sorrow, and all ³ my members are as a shadow.	7 Mine eye also is dim by reason of sorrow, And all my members are as a shadow.	¹ Or, one ¹⁴ whose face they spit
¹ Or, my thoughts.	8 Upright men shall be astonished at this, and the innocent shall stir up himself against the hypocrite.	8 Upright men shall be astonished at this, And the innocent shall stir up himself against the godless.	
[†] Heb. shall add strength	9 The righteous also shall hold on his way, and he that hath clean hands ⁴ shall be stronger and stronger.	9 Yet shall the righteous hold on his way, And he that hath clean hands shall wax stronger and stronger.	
	10 But as for you all, do ye return, and come now: for I cannot find ⁵ one wise man among you.	10 But return ye, all of you, and come now: ⁵ And I shall not find a wise man among you.	² Or, For I find not
[†] Heb. the possessions.	11 My days are past, my purposes are broken off, even ⁶ the thoughts of my heart.	11 My days are past, my purposes are broken off, Even the ⁸ thoughts of my heart.	³ Heb. possessions.
[†] Heb. near.	12 They change the night into day: the light is ⁷ short because of darkness.	12 They change the night into day: The light, ⁹ say they, is near ⁴ unto the darkness.	⁴ Or, because of
[†] Heb. cried, or, called.	13 If I wait, the grave is mine house: I have made my bed in the darkness.	13 ⁶ If I look for ⁶ Sheol as mine house; If I have spread my couch in the darkness;	⁵ Or, If I hope, Sheol is mine house; I have spread ... I have said ... and where now is my hope?
	14 I have ⁸ said to corruption, Thou art my father: to the worm, <i>Thou art</i> my mother, and my sister.	14 If I have said to ⁷ corruption, Thou art my father; To the worm, <i>Thou art</i> my mother, and my sister;	⁶ Or, the grave
	15 And where is now my hope? as for my hope, who shall see it?	15 Where then is my hope? And as for my hope, who shall see it?	⁷ Or, the pit
	16 They shall go down to the bars of the pit, when <i>our</i> rest together is in the dust.	16 It shall go down to the bars of ⁶ Sheol, When once there is rest in the dust.	⁸ Or, flame
	18 Then answered Bildad the Shuhite, and said, 2 How long will it be ere ye make an end of words? mark, and afterwards we will speak.	18 Then answered Bildad the Shuhite, and said, 2 How long will ye lay snares for words? Consider, and afterwards we will speak.	⁹ Or, beside
[†] Heb. his soul.	3 Wherefore are we counted as beasts, and reputed vile in your sight? 4 He teareth ⁹ himself in his anger: shall the earth be forsaken for thee? and shall the rock be removed out of his place?	3 Wherefore are we counted as beasts, And are become unclean in your sight? 4 Thou that tearest thyself in thine anger, Shall the earth be forsaken for thee? Or shall the rock be removed out of its place?	¹⁰ Or, at his side
	5 Yea, the light of the wicked shall be put out, and the spark of his fire shall not shine.	5 Yea, the light of the wicked shall be put out, And the ⁶ spark of his fire shall not shine.	¹¹ Heb. bars of his skin.
¹ Or, lamp.	6 The light shall be dark in his tabernacle, and his ⁷ candle shall be put out with him.	6 The light shall be dark in his tent, And his lamp ⁹ above him shall be put out.	¹² Heb. it shall (or thou shalt) bring him.
	7 The steps of his strength shall be straitened, and his own counsel shall cast him down.	7 The steps of his strength shall be straitened, And his own counsel shall cast him down.	¹³ Or, It shall dwell in his tent, that it be no more his or, because it is none of his
	8 For he is cast into a net by his own feet, and he walketh upon a snare.	8 For he is cast into a net by his own feet, And he walketh upon the toils.	¹⁴ Or, wither
[†] [6111 grin]	9 The gin shall take ¹⁰ him by the heel, and the robber shall prevail against him.	9 A gin shall take ¹⁰ him by the heel, And a snare shall lay hold on him.	¹⁵ Or, They that dwell in the west are ... as they that dwell in the east are &c.
[†] Heb. hidden.	10 The snare is ¹¹ laid for him in the ground, and a trap for him in the way.	10 A noose is hid for him in the ground, And a trap for him in the way.	¹⁶ Heb. laid hold on horror.
[†] Heb. scatter him.	11 Terrors shall make him afraid on every side, and shall ¹² drive him to his feet.	11 Terrors shall make him afraid on every side, And shall chase him at his heels.	
[†] Heb. bars.	12 His strength shall be hungerbitten, and destruction shall be ready at his side.	12 His strength shall be hungerbitten, And calamity shall be ready ¹⁰ for his halting.	
[†] ch. 8. 14. & 11. 20. Pa. 112. 10. Prov. 10. 28.	13 It shall devour the ¹³ strength of his skin: even the firstborn of death shall devour his strength.	13 It shall devour the ¹¹ members of his body, Yea, the firstborn of death shall devour his members.	
	14 ¹⁴ His confidence shall be rooted out of his tabernacle, and it shall bring him to the king of terrors.	14 He shall be rooted out of his tent wherein he trusteth; And ¹² he shall be brought to the king of terrors.	
	15 It shall dwell in his tabernacle, because it is none of his: brimstone shall be scattered upon his habitation.	15 ¹³ There shall dwell in his tent that which is none of his: Brimstone shall be scattered upon his habitation.	
	16 His roots shall be dried up beneath, and above shall his branch be cut off.	16 His roots shall be dried up beneath, And above shall his branch ¹⁴ be cut off.	
[*] Prov. 2. 22.	17 ¹⁵ His remembrance shall perish from the earth, and he shall have no name in the street.	17 His remembrance shall perish from the earth, And he shall have no name in the street.	
[†] Heb. They shall drive him.	18 ¹⁶ He shall be driven from light into darkness, and chased out of the world.	18 He shall be driven from light into darkness, And chased out of the world.	
	19 He shall neither have son nor nephew among his people, nor any remaining in his dwellings.	19 He shall have neither son nor son's son among his people, Nor any remaining where he sojourned.	
	20 They that come after ¹⁷ him shall be astonished at his day, as they that ¹⁸ went before ¹⁹ were affrighted.	20 ¹⁵ They that come after shall be astonished at his day, As they that went before ¹⁶ were affrighted.	
[†] Or, he will with him.	21 Surely such are the dwellings of the wicked, and this is the place of ¹⁸ him that knoweth not God.	21 Surely such are the dwellings of the unrighteous, And this is the place of him that knoweth not God.	
[†] Heb. laid hold on horror.	19 Then Job answered and said, 2 How long will ye vex my soul, and break me in pieces with words?	19 Then Job answered and said, 2 How long will ye vex my soul, And break me in pieces with words?	

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Or, *harden your selves against me.*

Or, *violence.*

Heb. *my belly*

Or, *the wicked.*

* Ps 41. 9. & 55. 20.

Heb. *the men of my secret.*

Or, *as.*

Heb. *Who will give, &c.*

Or, *After I shall awake, though this body be destroyed, yet out of my flesh shall I see God.*

Heb. *a stranger.*

Heb. *in my bosom.*

Or, *and what root of matter is found in me?*

Heb. *my haste is in me.*

* Ps 37. 35, 36.

Heb. *from near.*

3 These ten times have ye reproached me: ye are not ashamed that ye make yourselves strange to me.

4 And be it indeed that I have erred, mine error remaineth with myself.

5 If indeed ye will magnify yourselves against me, and plead against me my reproach:

6 Know now that God hath overthrown me, and hath compassed me with his net.

7 Behold, I cry out of wrong, but I am not heard: I cry aloud, but there is no judgment.

8 He hath fenced up my way that I cannot pass, and he hath set darkness in my paths.

9 He hath striped me of my glory, and taken the crown from my head.

10 He hath destroyed me on every side, and I am gone: and mine hope hath he removed like a tree.

11 He hath also kindled his wrath against me, and he counteth me unto him as one of his enemies.

12 His troops come together, and raise up their way against me, and encamp round about my tabernacle.

13 He hath put my brethren far from me, and mine acquaintance are verily estranged from me.

14 My kinsfolk have failed, and my familiar friends have forgotten me.

15 They that dwell in mine house, and my maids, count me for a stranger: I am an alien in their sight.

16 I called my servant, and he gave me no answer; I intreated him with my mouth.

17 My breath is strange to my wife, though I intreated for the children's sake of mine own body.

18 Yea, young children despised me; I arose, and they spake against me.

19 All my inward friends abhorred me: and they whom I loved are turned against me.

20 My bone cleaveth to my skin and to my flesh, and I am escaped with the skin of my teeth.

21 Have pity upon me, have pity upon me, O ye my friends; for the hand of God hath touched me.

22 Why do ye persecute me as God, and are not satisfied with my flesh?

23 Oh that my words were now written! oh that they were printed in a book!

24 That they were graven with an iron pen and lead in the rock for ever!

25 For I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth:

26 And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God:

27 Whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another; though my reins be consumed within me.

28 But ye should say, Why persecute we him, seeing the root of the matter is found in me?

29 Be ye afraid of the sword: for wrath bringeth the punishments of the sword, that ye may know there is a judgement.

20 Then answered Zophar the Naamathite, and said,

2 Therefore do my thoughts cause me to answer, and for this I make haste.

3 I have heard the check of my reproach, and the spirit of my understanding causeth me to answer.

4 Knowest thou not this of old, since man was placed upon earth,

5 That the triumphing of the wicked is short, and the joy of the hypocrite but for a moment?

3 These ten times have ye reproached me: Ye are not ashamed that ye deal hardly with me.

4 And be it indeed that I have erred, Mine error remaineth with myself.

5 If indeed ye will magnify yourselves against me, And plead against me my reproach:

6 Know now that God hath subverted me in my cause,

And hath compassed me with his net.

7 Behold, I cry out of wrong, but I am not heard: I cry for help, but there is no judgement

8 He hath fenced up my way that I cannot pass, And hath set darkness in my paths.

9 He hath stripped me of my glory, And taken the crown from my head.

10 He hath broken me down on every side, and I am gone:

And mine hope hath he plucked up like a tree.

11 He hath also kindled his wrath against me, And he counteth me unto him as one of his adversaries.

12 His troops come on together, and cast up their way against me,

And encamp round about my tent.

13 He hath put my brethren far from me, And mine acquaintance are wholly estranged from me.

14 My kinsfolk have failed, And my familiar friends have forgotten me

15 They that dwell in mine house, and my maids, count me for a stranger:

I am an alien in their sight.

16 I call unto my servant, and he giveth me no answer,

Though I intreat him with my mouth.

17 My breath is strange to my wife, And my supplication to the children of my mother's womb.

18 Even young children despise me; If I arise, they speak against me.

19 All my inward friends abhor me: And they whom I loved are turned against me.

20 My bone cleaveth to my skin and to my flesh, And I am escaped with the skin of my teeth.

21 Have pity upon me, have pity upon me, O ye my friends;

For the hand of God hath touched me.

22 Why do ye persecute me as God, And are not satisfied with my flesh?

23 Oh that my words were now written! Oh that they were inscribed in a book!

24 That with an iron pen and lead They were graven in the rock for ever!

25 But I know that my redeemer liveth, And that he shall stand up at the last upon the earth:

26 And after my skin hath been thus destroyed, Yet from my flesh shall I see God:

27 Whom I shall see for myself, And mine eyes shall behold, and not another. My reins are consumed within me.

28 If ye say, How we will persecute him!

Seeing that the root of the matter is found in me;

29 Be ye afraid of the sword: For wrath bringeth the punishments of the sword,

That ye may know there is a judgement.

20 Then answered Zophar the Naamathite, and said,

2 Therefore do my thoughts give answer to me, Even by reason of my haste that is in me.

3 I have heard the reproof which putteth me to shame,

And the spirit of my understanding answereth me.

4 Knowest thou not this of old time, Since man was placed upon earth,

5 That the triumphing of the wicked is short, And the joy of the godless but for a moment?

R. V.

1 Or, *Will ye indeed ... reproach?*

2 Or, *overthrow me*

8 Or, *cry out, Violence!*

4 Or, *sajourn*

5 Or, *I make supplication*

Or, *I am louthsome*

6 Or, *of my body*

7 Heb. *the men of my council.*

8 Or, *For*

9 Or, *vindicator*

Heb. *goel.*

10 Heb. *dust.*

11 Or, *And after my skin*

hath been destroyed, this shall be, even from &c.

Or, *And though after my skin this body be destroyed, yet from &c.*

12 Or, *without*

13 Or, *on my sure*

14 Or, *as a stranger*

15 Or, *And that*

16 Many ancient authorities read, *him.*

17 Or, *wrathful*

arc

18 Or, *And by reason of my haste*

is within me

19 Or, *But out of my understanding*

my spirit answereth me

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 † Heb. cloud.
 † Or, The poor shall oppress his children.
 † Heb. in the midst of his palate.
 † Or, streaming brooks.
 † Heb. according to the substance of his exchange.
 † Heb. crushed.
 * Eccles. 5. 13, 14.
 † Heb. know.
 † Or, There shall be none left for his meat.
 † Or, troublesome.
 : [1611 g] hester-ing
 † Heb. of his decree from God.
 † Heb. shortened?
 † Heb. Look unto me.
 * Pa. 17. 10. & 73. 12. Jer. 12. 1. Hab. 1. 16.

6 Though his excellency mount up to the heavens, and his head reach unto the † clouds;
 7 Yet he shall perish for ever like his own dung: they which have seen him shall say, Where is he?
 8 He shall fly away as a dream, and shall not be found: yea, he shall be chased away as a vision of the night.
 9 The eye also which saw him shall see him no more; neither shall his place any more behold him.
 10 His children shall seek to please the poor, and his hands shall restore their goods.
 11 His bones are full of the sin of his youth, which shall lie down with him in the dust.
 12 Though wickedness be sweet in his mouth, though he hide it under his tongue;
 13 Though he spare it, and forsake it not; but keep it still † within his mouth:
 14 Yet his meat in his bowels is turned, it is the gall of asps within him.
 15 He hath swallowed down riches, and he shall vomit them up again: God shall cast them out of his belly.
 16 He shall suck the poison of asps: the viper's tongue shall slay him.
 17 He shall not see the rivers, † the floods, the brooks of honey and butter.
 18 That which he laboured for shall he restore, and shall not swallow it down: † according to his substance shall the restitution be, and he shall not rejoice therein.
 19 Because he hath † oppressed and hath forsaken the poor; because he hath violently taken away an house which he builded not;
 20 Surely he shall not † feel quietness in his belly, he shall not save of that which he desired.
 21 There shall none of his meat be left; therefore shall no man look for his goods.
 22 In the fulness of his sufficiency he shall be in straits: every hand of the † wicked shall come upon him.
 23 When he is about to fill his belly, God shall cast the fury of his wrath upon him, and shall rain it upon him while he is eating.
 24 He shall flee from the iron weapon, and the bow of steel shall strike him through.
 25 It is drawn, and cometh out of the body; yea, the † glittering sword cometh out of his gall: terrors are upon him.
 26 All darkness shall be hid in his secret places: a fire not blown shall consume him; it shall go ill with him that is left in his tabernacle.
 27 The heaven shall reveal his iniquity; and the earth shall rise up against him.
 28 The increase of his house shall depart, and his goods shall flow away in the day of his wrath.
 29 This is the portion of a wicked man from God, and the heritage † appointed unto him by God.
 21 But Job answered and said,
 2 Hear diligently my speech, and let this be your consolations.
 3 Suffer me that I may speak; and after that I have spoken, mock on.
 4 As for me, is my complaint to man? and if it were so, why should not my spirit be † troubled?
 5 Mark me, and be astonished, and lay your hand upon your mouth.
 6 Even when I remember I am afraid, and trembling taketh hold on my flesh.
 7 Wherefore do the wicked live, become old, yea, are mighty in power?
 8 Their seed is established in their sight with them, and their offspring before their eyes.

6 Though his excellency mount up to the heavens, And his head reach unto the clouds;
 7 Yet he shall perish for ever like his own dung: They which have seen him shall say, Where is he?
 8 He shall fly away as a dream, and shall not be found: Yea, he shall be chased away as a vision of the night.
 9 The eye which saw him shall see him no more; Neither shall his place any more behold him.
 10 His children shall seek the favour of the poor, And his hands shall give back his wealth.
 11 His bones are full of his youth, But it shall he down with him in the dust.
 12 Though wickedness be sweet in his mouth, Though he hide it under his tongue;
 13 Though he spare it, and will not let it go, But keep it still within his mouth;
 14 Yet his meat in his bowels is turned, It is the gall of asps within him.
 15 He hath swallowed down riches, and he shall vomit them up again: God shall cast them out of his belly.
 16 He shall suck the poison of asps: The viper's tongue shall slay him.
 17 He shall not look upon the rivers, The flowing streams of honey and butter.
 18 That which he laboured for shall he restore, and shall not swallow it down; According to the substance ² that he hath gotten, he shall not rejoice.
 19 For he hath oppressed and forsaken the poor; He hath violently taken away an house, ³ and he shall not build it up.
 20 Because he knew no quietness ⁴ within him, He shall not save aught of that wherein he delighteth.
 21 There was nothing left that he devoured not; Therefore his prosperity shall not endure.
 22 In the fulness of his sufficiency he shall be in straits: The hand of every one that is in misery shall come upon him.
 23 When he is about to fill his belly, God shall cast the fierceness of his wrath upon him, And shall rain it upon him ⁶ while he is eating.
 24 He shall flee from the iron weapon, And the bow of brass shall strike him through.
 25 He draweth it forth, and it cometh out of his body: Yea, the glittering point cometh out of his gall; Terrors are upon him.
 26 All darkness is laid up for his treasures: A fire not blown by man shall devour him; ⁷ It shall consume that which is left in his tent.
 27 The heavens shall reveal his iniquity, And the earth shall rise up against him.
 28 The increase of his house shall depart, His goods shall flow away in the day of his wrath.
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 2 Hear diligently my speech; And let this be your consolations.
 3 Suffer me, and I also will speak; And after that I have spoken, ⁶ mock on.
 4 As for me, is my complaint ⁹ to man? And why should I not be impatient?
 5 ¹⁰ Mark me, and be astonished, And lay your hand upon your mouth.
 6 Even when I remember I am troubled, And horror taketh hold on my flesh.
 7 Wherefore do the wicked live, Become old, yea, wax mighty in power?
 8 Their seed is established with them in their sight, And their offspring before their eyes.

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 † Or, as otherwise read, The poor shall oppress his children.
 † Heb. of his exchange.
 † Or, which he builded not
 † Or, in his greed
 Heb. in his belly.
 † Or, Let it be for the filling of his belly that God shall cast &c.
 † Or, as his food
 † Or, It shall go ill with him that is left
 † Or, thou shall mock
 † Or, of
 † Heb. Look unto me.

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† Heb. are peace from fear.

† Or, in mirth. * ch. 22. 17.

† Or, lamp.

† Heb. stealth away † That is, the punishment of his iniquity.

† Heb. in his very perfection, or, in the strength of his perfection. † Or, milk pails.

† Heb. the tent of the tabernacles of the wicked? * Prov. 16. 4.

† Heb. the day of wrath.

† Heb. graves. † Heb. watch in the heap. † Heb. transgression?

† Or, if he may be profitable, doth his good success depend thereon?

† Heb. stripped the clothes of the naked.

9 Their houses are safe from fear, neither is the rod of God upon them.

10 Their bull gendereth, and faileth not; their cow calveth, and casteth not her calf.

11 They send forth their little ones like a flock, and their children dance.

12 They take the timbrel and harp, and rejoice at the sound of the organ.

13 They spend their days in wealth, and in a moment go down to the grave.

14 * Therefore they say unto God, Depart from us; for we desire not the knowledge of thy ways.

15 What is the Almighty, that we should serve him? and what profit should we have, if we pray unto him?

16 Lo, their good is not in their hand: the counsel of the wicked is far from me.

17 How oft is the candle of the wicked put out! and how oft cometh their destruction upon them! God distributeth sorrows in his anger.

18 They are as stubble before the wind, and as chaff that the storm carrieth away.

19 God layeth up his iniquity for his children: he rewardeth him, and he shall know it.

20 His eyes shall see his destruction, and he shall drink of the wrath of the Almighty.

21 For what pleasure hath he in his house after him, when the number of his months is cut off in the midst?

22 Shall any teach God knowledge? seeing he judgeth those that are high.

23 One dieth in his full strength, being wholly at ease and quiet.

24 His breasts are full of milk, and his bones are moistened with marrow.

25 And another dieth in the bitterness of his soul, and never eateth with pleasure.

26 They shall lie down alike in the dust, and the worms shall cover them.

27 Behold, I know your thoughts, and the devices which ye wrongfully imagine against me.

28 For ye say, Where is the house of the prince? and where are the dwelling places of the wicked?

29 Have ye not asked them that go by the way? and do ye not know their tokens,

30 * That the wicked is reserved to the day of destruction? they shall be brought forth to the day of wrath.

31 Who shall declare his way to his face? and who shall repay him what he hath done?

32 Yet shall he be brought to the grave, and shall remain in the tomb.

33 The clods of the valley shall be sweet unto him, and every man shall draw after him, as there are innumerable before him.

34 How then comfort ye me in vain, seeing in your answers there remaineth falsehood?

22 Then Eliphaz the Temanite answered and said,

2 Can a man be profitable unto God, as he that is wise may be profitable unto himself?

3 Is it any pleasure to the Almighty, that thou art righteous? or is it gain to him, that thou makest thy ways perfect?

4 Will he reprove thee for fear of thee? will he enter with thee into judgment?

5 Is not thy wickedness great? and thine iniquities infinite?

6 For thou hast taken a pledge from thy brother for nought, and stripped the naked of their clothing.

7 Thou hast not given water to the weary to drink, and thou hast withholden bread from the hungry.

9 Their houses are safe from fear, Neither is the rod of God upon them.

10 Their bull gendereth, and faileth not; Their cow calveth, and casteth not her calf.

11 They send forth their little ones like a flock, And their children dance.

12 They sing to the timbrel and harp, And rejoice at the sound of the pipe.

13 They spend their days in prosperity, And in a moment they go down to Sheol.

14 Yet they said unto God, Depart from us; For we desire not the knowledge of thy ways.

15 What is the Almighty, that we should serve him? And what profit should we have, if we pray unto him?

16 Lo, their prosperity is not in their hand: The counsel of the wicked is far from me.

17 How oft is it that the lamp of the wicked is put out? That their calamity cometh upon them? That God distributeth sorrows in his anger?

18 They are as stubble before the wind, And as chaff that the storm carrieth away?

19 Ye say, God layeth up his iniquity for his children.

Let him recompense it unto himself, that he may know it.

20 Let his own eyes see his destruction, And let him drink of the wrath of the Almighty.

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When the number of his months is cut off in the midst?

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23 One dieth in his full strength, Being wholly at ease and quiet:

24 His breasts are full of milk, And the marrow of his bones is moistened.

25 And another dieth in bitterness of soul, And never tasteth of good.

26 They lie down alike in the dust, And the worm covereth them.

27 Behold, I know your thoughts, And the devices which ye wrongfully imagine against me.

28 For ye say, Where is the house of the prince? And where is the tent wherein the wicked dwelt?

29 Have ye not asked them that go by the way? And do ye not know their tokens?

30 That the evil man is reserved to the day of calamity?

That they are led forth to the day of wrath?

31 Who shall declare his way to his face? And who shall repay him what he hath done?

32 Yet shall he be borne to the grave, And shall keep watch over the tomb.

33 The clods of the valley shall be sweet unto him, And all men shall draw after him, As there were innumerable before him.

34 How then comfort ye me in vain, Seeing in your answers there remaineth only falsehood?

22 Then answered Eliphaz the Temanite, and said,

2 Can a man be profitable unto God? Surely he that is wise is profitable unto himself.

3 Is it any pleasure to the Almighty, that thou art righteous? Or is it gain to him, that thou makest thy ways perfect?

4 Is it for thy fear of him that he reproveth thee, That he entereth with thee into judgement?

5 Is not thy wickedness great? Neither is there any end to thine iniquities.

6 For thou hast taken pledges of thy brother for nought, And stripped the naked of their clothing.

7 Thou hast not given water to the weary to drink, And thou hast withholden bread from the hungry.

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† Or, in peace, without fear.

† Heb. lift up the voice.

† Or, the grave.

† Or, Ye say, Lo &c. † Or, How oft is the lamp of the wicked put out, and how oft cometh their calamity upon them? God distributeth sorrows in his anger.

† Or, They are as stubble... away.

† Or, God layeth up his iniquity for his children: he rewardeth him, and he shall know it.

† Or, His eyes shall see his destruction, and he shall know it.

† Or, His eyes shall see his destruction, and he shall know it.

† Or, milk pails.

† Or, spared in &c.

† Or, led away in &c.

† Or, More-over he is borne to the grave, and keepeth watch over his tomb.

† Or, The clods of the valley are sweet unto him; and all men draw &c.

† Or, they shall keep

† Or, with vanity

† Or, faithlessness

† Or, for fear of thee

A. V.

† Heb. the man of arm.

† Heb. eminent, or, accepted for countenance.

† Heb. the head of the stars.

† Or, What.

† Heb. a flood was poured upon their foundation.

* ch. 21.

† Or, to them?

* ch. 21.

* Pa. 107.

† Or, estate.

† Or, their excellency.

† That is, with God.

* ch. 8. 5.

† Or, on the dust.

† Or, gold.

† Heb. silver of strength.

† Heb. him that hath low eyes.

† Or, The innocent shall deliver the island.

† Heb. my hand.

8 But as for ¹the mighty man, he had the earth; and the ¹honourable man dwelt in it.

9 Thou hast sent widows away empty, and the arms of the fatherless have been broken.

10 Therefore snares *are* round about thee, and sudden fear troubleth thee;

11 Or darkness, *that* thou canst not see; and abundance of waters cover thee.

12 *Is* not God in the height of heaven? and behold ¹the height of the stars, how high they are!

13 And thou sayest, ¹How doth God know? can he judge through the dark cloud?

14 Thick clouds *are* a covering to him, that he seeth not; and he walketh in the circuit of heaven.

15 Hast thou marked the old way which wicked men have trodden?

16 Which were cut down out of time, ¹whose foundation was overflown with a flood:

17 *Which said unto God, Depart from us: and what can the Almighty do ¹for them?

18 Yet he filled their houses with good things: but *the counsel of the wicked is far from me.

19 *The righteous see *it*, and are glad: and the innocent laugh them to scorn.

20 Whereas our ¹substance is not cut down, but ¹the remnant of them the fire consumeth.

21 Acquaint now thyself ¹with him, and be at peace: thereby good shall come unto thee.

22 Receive, I pray thee, the law from his mouth, and lay up his words in thine heart.

23 *If thou return to the Almighty, thou shalt be built up, thou shalt put away iniquity far from thy tabernacles.

24 Then shalt thou lay up gold ¹as dust, and the gold of Ophir as the stones of the brooks.

25 Yea, the Almighty shall be thy ¹defence, and thou shalt have ¹plenty of silver.

26 For then shalt thou have thy delight in the Almighty, and shalt lift up thy face unto God.

27 Thou shalt make thy prayer unto him, and he shall hear thee, and thou shalt pay thy vows.

28 Thou shalt also decree a thing, and it shall be established unto thee: and the light shall shine upon thy ways.

29 When *men* are cast down, then thou shalt say, *There is lifting up*; and he shall save ¹the humble person.

30 ¹He shall deliver the island of the innocent: and it is delivered by the pureness of thine hands.

23 Then Job answered and said,

2 Even to day *is* my complaint bitter: ¹my stroke is heavier than my groaning

3 Oh that I knew where I might find him! *that* I might come *even* to his seat!

4 I would order *my* cause before him, and fill my mouth with arguments.

5 I would know the words *which* he would answer me, and understand what he would say unto me.

6 Will he plead against me with *his* great power? No; but he would put *strength* in me.

7 There the righteous might dispute with him; so should I be delivered for ever from my judge.

8 Behold, I go forward, but he *is* not *there*; and backward, but I cannot perceive him:

9 On the left hand, where he doth work, but I cannot behold *him*: he hideth himself on the right hand, that I cannot see *him*:

8 But as for ¹the mighty man, he had the ²earth; And ²the honourable man, he dwelt in it.

9 Thou hast sent widows away empty, And the arms of the fatherless have been broken.

10 Therefore snares *are* round about thee, And sudden fear troubleth thee,

11 ⁴Or darkness, that thou canst not see, And abundance of waters cover thee.

12 *Is* not God in the height of heaven? And behold the ⁵height of the stars, how high they are!

13 And thou sayest, What doth God know? Can he judge through the thick darkness?

14 Thick clouds *are* a covering to him, that he seeth not;

And he walketh ⁶in the circuit of heaven.

15 ⁷Wilt thou keep the old way Which wicked men have trodden?

16 Who were snatched away before their time, Whose foundation was poured out as a stream:

17 Who said unto God, Depart from us; And, What can the Almighty do ⁸for ⁹us?

18 Yet he filled their houses with good things: But the counsel of the wicked is far from me.

19 The righteous see *it*, and are glad; And the innocent laugh them to scorn:

20 *Saying*, Surely they that did rise up against us are cut off,

And ¹⁰the remnant of them the fire hath consumed.

21 Acquaint now thyself with him, and be at peace: ¹¹Thereby good shall come unto thee.

22 Receive, I pray thee, ¹²the law from his mouth, And lay up his words in thine heart.

23 If thou return to the Almighty, thou shalt be built up;

¹³If thou put away unrighteousness far from thy tents.

24 And lay thou *thy* ¹⁴treasure ¹⁵in the dust, And the *gold* of Ophir among the stones of the brooks;

25 And the Almighty shall be thy ¹⁴treasure, And ¹⁶precious silver unto thee.

26 For then shalt thou delight thyself in the Almighty,

And shalt lift up thy face unto God.

27 Thou shalt make thy prayer unto him, and he shall hear thee;

And thou shalt pay thy vows.

28 Thou shalt also decree a thing, and it shall be established unto thee;

And light shall shine upon thy ways.

29 When they ¹⁷cast *thee* down, thou shalt say, *There is lifting up*;

And ¹⁸the humble person he shall save.

30 He shall deliver ¹⁹*even* him that is not innocent: Yea, he shall be delivered through the cleanness of thine hands.

23 Then Job answered and said,

2 Even to-day *is* my complaint ²⁰rebellious:

²¹My stroke is heavier than my groaning.

3 Oh that I knew where I might find him,

That I might come even to his seat!

4 I would order my cause before him,

And fill my mouth with arguments.

5 I would know the words which he would answer me,

And understand what he would say unto me.

6 Would he contend with me in the greatness of his power?

Nay; ²²but he would give heed unto me.

7 There the upright might reason with him;

So should I be delivered for ever from my judge.

8 Behold, I go forward, but he *is* not *there*;

And backward, but I cannot perceive him:

9 On the left hand, when he doth work, but I cannot behold him:

He ²³hideth himself on the right hand, that I cannot see him.

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1 Heb. the man of arm.

2 Or, land

3 Heb. he whose person is accepted.

4 Or,

Or dost thou not see the darkness?

and the flood of waters that covereth thee?

5 Heb. head.

6 Or, on the vault

7 Or, Dost thou mark

8 Or, to

9 Heb. them.

10 Or, that which remained to them

Or, their abundance

11 Or, as otherwise

12 Or, as otherwise

13 Or, as otherwise

14 Heb. ore.

15 Or, on the earth

16 Or, precious silver shall be thine

17 Or, are made low

18 Heb. him that is lowly of eyes.

19 Many ancient versions read, him that is innocent.

20 Or, bitter

Or, accounted rebellion

21 Or, My hand is heavy upon (or because of)

The Sept.

and Syr.

22 Or, turneth

read, His hand. 22 Or, he would only give heed himself to... him, but 23 Or, turneth

A. V.

+ Heb. the way that is with me.
+ Heb. I have hid, or, laid up.
1 Or, my appointed portion
* Ps. 115. 8.

10 But he knoweth the way that I take: when he hath tried me, I shall come forth as gold.
11 My foot hath held his steps, his way have I kept, and not declined.
12 Neither have I gone back from the commandment of his lips; + I have esteemed the words of his mouth more than my necessary food.
13 But he is in one mind, and who can turn him? and what his soul desireth, even that he doeth.
14 For he performeth the thing that is appointed for me: and many such things are with him.
15 Therefore am I troubled at his presence: when I consider, I am afraid of him.
16 For God maketh my heart soft, and the Almighty troubleth me:
17 Because I was not cut off before the darkness, neither hath he covered the darkness from my face.

* Deut. 19. 14. & 27. 17.
8 Or, feed them.

24 Why, seeing times are not hidden from the Almighty, do they that know him not see his days?
2 Some remove the landmarks; they violently take away flocks, and feed thereof.
3 They drive away the ass of the fatherless, they take the widow's ox for a pledge.
4 They turn the needy out of the way: the poor of the earth hide themselves together.
5 Behold, as wild asses in the desert, go they forth to their work; rising betimes for a prey: the wilderness yieldeth food for them and for their children.
6 They reap every one his corn in the field: and they gather the vintage of the wicked
7 They cause the naked to lodge without clothing, that they have no covering in the cold.
8 They are wet with the showers of the mountains, and embrace the rock for want of a shelter.
9 They pluck the fatherless from the breast, and take a pledge of the poor.
10 They cause him to go naked without clothing, and they take away the sheaf from the hungry;
11 Which make oil within their walls, and tread their winepresses, and suffer thirst.
12 Men groan from out of the city, and the soul of the wounded crieth out: yet God layeth not folly to them.
13 They are of those that rebel against the light; they know not the ways thereof, nor abide in the paths thereof.
14 The murderer rising with the light killeth the poor and needy, and in the night is as a thief.
15 The eye also of the adulterer waiteth for the twilight, saying, No eye shall see me: and he disguiseth his face.

+ Heb. setteth his face in secret.

16 In the dark they dig through houses, which they had marked for themselves in the daytime: they know not the light.
17 For the morning is to them even as the shadow of death: if one know them, they are in the terrors of the shadow of death.
18 He is swift as the waters; their portion is cursed in the earth: he beholdeth not the way of the vineyards.
19 Drought and heat consume the snow waters: so doth the grave those which have sinned.
20 The womb shall forget him; the worm shall feed sweetly on him; he shall be no more remembered; and wickedness shall be broken as a tree.
21 He evil entreateth the barren that beareth not: and doeth not good to the widow.
22 He draweth also the mighty with his power: he riseth up, and no man is sure of life

+ Heb. violently take.

1 Or, he trudgeth not his own life

10 But he knoweth the way that I take; When he hath tried me, I shall come forth as gold.
11 My foot hath held fast to his steps; His way have I kept, and turned not aside
12 I have not gone back from the commandment of his lips; I have treasured up the words of his mouth more than my necessary food.
13 But he is in one mind, and who can turn him? And what his soul desireth, even that he doeth.
14 For he performeth that which is appointed for me: And many such things are with him.
15 Therefore am I troubled at his presence; When I consider, I am afraid of him.
16 For God hath made my heart faint, And the Almighty hath troubled me:
17 Because I was not cut off before the darkness, Neither did he cover the thick darkness from my face.
24 Why are times not laid up by the Almighty? And why do not they which know him see his days?
2 There are that remove the landmarks; They violently take away flocks, and feed them.
3 They drive away the ass of the fatherless, They take the widow's ox for a pledge.
4 They turn the needy out of the way: The poor of the earth hide themselves together.
5 Behold, as wild asses in the desert They go forth to their work, seeking diligently for meat; The wilderness yieldeth them food for their children.
6 They cut their provender in the field; And they glean the vintage of the wicked.
7 They lie all night naked without clothing, And have no covering in the cold.
8 They are wet with the showers of the mountains, And embrace the rock for want of a shelter.
9 There are that pluck the fatherless from the breast, And take a pledge of the poor: So that they go about naked without clothing, And being an-hungred they carry the sheaves;
10 They make oil within the walls of these men; They tread their winepresses, and suffer thirst.
11 From out of the populous city men groan, And the soul of the wounded crieth out: Yet God nuputeth it not for folly.
12 These are of them that rebel against the light; They know not the ways thereof, Nor abide in the paths thereof.
13 The murderer riseth with the light, he killeth the poor and needy; And in the night he is as a thief.
14 The eye also of the adulterer waiteth for the twilight, Saying, No eye shall see me: And he disguiseth his face.
15 In the dark they dig through houses; They shut themselves up in the day-time; They know not the light.
16 For the morning is to all of them as the shadow of death; For they know the terrors of the shadow of death.
17 He is swift upon the face of the waters; Their portion is cursed in the earth: He turneth not by the way of the vineyards.
18 Drought and heat consume the snow waters: So doth sheol those which have sinned.
19 The womb shall forget him; the worm shall feed sweetly on him; He shall be no more remembered: And unrighteousness shall be broken as a tree.
20 He devoureth the barren that beareth not; And doeth not good to the widow.
21 He draweth away the mighty also by his power: He riseth up, and no man is sure of life.

the mighty to continue: they rise up, when they believed not that they should live

R. V.

1 Or, For
2 Heb. the way that is with me.
3 Or, more than my own law
The Sept. and Vulgate have, in my bosom.
4 Or, portion see Prov. xix. 8.
5 Or, he is one
6 Or, For I am not dismayed because of the darkness, nor because thick darkness covereth my face
7 Or, Why is it, seeing times are not hidden from the Almighty, that they which know him see not his days?
8 Or, meek
9 Heb. prey.
10 Or, his
11 Or, take in plough that which is on the sower
12 Heb. city of men.
13 Or, pulleth a covering on his face
14 Or, Which they had marked for themselves
15 Or, Ye say, He is he.
16 Heb. violently take away.
17 Or, the grave
18 Or, as a tree, even he that devoureth it
19 Or, Yet God by his power maketh

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† Heb. are not. † Heb. closed up.	23 <i>Though</i> it be given him <i>to be</i> in safety, where- on he resteth; yet his eyes <i>are</i> upon their ways.	23 <i>God</i> giveth them to be in security, and they rest thereon;	R. V. 1 Or, <i>But</i>
† Heb. closed up.	24 They are exalted for a little while, but † are gone and brought low; they are † taken out of the way as all <i>other</i> , and cut off as the tops of the ears of corn.	1 And his eyes are upon their ways. 24 They are exalted; yet a little while, and they are gone;	2 Or, <i>And</i> <i>when</i> <i>they</i> <i>are</i> <i>are</i> &c
* Pa. 22 6.	25 And if <i>it be</i> not so now, who will make me a liar, and make my speech nothing worth?	25 And if it be not so now, who will prove me a liar, And make my speech nothing worth?	3 Or, <i>gathered</i> <i>in</i>
* ch. 4. 17, &c. & 15. 14, &c.	25 Then answered Bildad the Shuhite, and said, 2 Dominion and fear <i>are</i> with him, he maketh peace in his high places.	25 Then answered Bildad the Shuhite, and said, 2 Dominion and fear are with him; He maketh peace in his high places.	4 Or, <i>before</i>
* Pa. 22 6.	3 Is there any number of his armies? and upon whom doth not his light arise? 4 *How then can man be justified with God? or how can he be clean <i>that is</i> born of a woman? 5 Behold even to the moon, and it shineth not; yea, the stars are not pure in his sight.	3 Is there any number of his armies? And upon whom doth not his light arise? 4 How then can man be just *with God? Or how can he be clean that is born of a woman? 5 Behold, even the moon hath no brightness, And the stars are not pure in his sight:	5 Or, <i>gathered</i> <i>in</i>
* Pa. 22 6.	6 How much less man, <i>that is</i> * a worm? and the son of man, <i>which is</i> a worm?	6 How much less man, that is a worm! And the son of man, which is a worm!	6 Or, <i>gathered</i> <i>in</i>
† Or, with the inhabit- ants.	26 But Job answered and said, 2 How hast thou helped <i>him that is</i> without power? <i>how</i> savest thou the arm <i>that hath</i> no strength?	26 Then Job answered and said, 2 How hast thou helped him that is without power! How hast thou saved the arm that hath no strength!	7 Or, <i>gathered</i> <i>in</i>
* Prov. 15. 11.	3 How hast thou counselled <i>him that hath</i> no wisdom? and <i>how</i> hast thou plentifully declared the thing as it is? 4 To whom hast thou uttered words? and whose spirit came from thee?	3 How hast thou counselled him that hath no wisdom, And plentifully declared sound knowledge! 4 To whom hast thou uttered words? And whose † spirit came forth from thee?	8 Or, <i>gathered</i> <i>in</i>
† Heb. until the end of light with dark- ness.	5 Dead <i>things</i> are formed from under the waters, and the inhabitants thereof. 6 *Hell is naked before him, and destruction hath no covering.	5 † They that are deceased tremble Beneath the waters and the inhabitants thereof. 6 † Sheol is naked before him, And † Abaddon hath no covering.	9 Or, <i>gathered</i> <i>in</i>
† Heb. until the end of light with dark- ness.	7 He stretcheth out the north over the empty place, and hangeth the earth upon nothing.	7 He stretcheth out the north over empty space, And hangeth the earth † upon nothing.	10 Or, <i>gathered</i> <i>in</i>
† Heb. until the end of light with dark- ness.	8 He bindeth up the waters in his thick clouds; and the cloud is not rent under them.	8 He bindeth up the waters in his thick clouds; And the cloud is not rent under them.	11 Or, <i>gathered</i> <i>in</i>
† Heb. until the end of light with dark- ness.	9 He holdeth back the face of his throne, and spreadeth his cloud upon it.	9 He closeth in the face of his throne, And spreadeth his cloud upon it.	12 Or, <i>gathered</i> <i>in</i>
† Heb. until the end of light with dark- ness.	10 He hath compassed the waters with bounds, † until the day and night come to an end.	10 He hath described a boundary upon the face of the waters, Unto the confines of light and darkness.	13 Or, <i>gathered</i> <i>in</i>
† Heb. until the end of light with dark- ness.	11 The pillars of heaven tremble and are astonished at his reproof.	11 The pillars of heaven tremble And are astonished at his rebuke.	14 Or, <i>gathered</i> <i>in</i>
† Heb. until the end of light with dark- ness.	12 He divideth the sea with his power, and by his understanding he smiteth through † the proud.	12 He † stirreth up the sea with his power, And by his understanding he smiteth through † Rahab.	15 Or, <i>gathered</i> <i>in</i>
† Heb. until the end of light with dark- ness.	13 By his spirit he hath garnished the heavens; his hand hath formed the crooked serpent.	13 By his spirit the heavens are † garnished; His hand hath pierced the † swift serpent.	16 Or, <i>gathered</i> <i>in</i>
† Heb. until the end of light with dark- ness.	14 Lo, these are parts of his ways: but how little a portion is heard of him? but the thunder of his power who can understand?	14 Lo, these are but the outskirts of his ways: And † how small a whisper † do we hear of him! But the thunder of his † power who can under- stand?	17 Or, <i>gathered</i> <i>in</i>
† Heb. until the end of light with dark- ness.	27 Moreover Job † continued his parable, and said, 2 As God liveth, <i>who</i> hath taken away my judg- ment; and the Almighty, <i>who</i> hath † vexed my soul;	27 And Job again took up his parable, and said, 2 As God liveth, who hath taken away my right; And the Almighty, who hath † vexed my soul;	18 Or, <i>gathered</i> <i>in</i>
† Heb. until the end of light with dark- ness.	3 All the while my breath <i>is</i> in me, and † the spirit of God <i>is</i> in my nostrils;	3 † (For my life is yet whole in me, And the spirit of God is in my nostrils;)	19 Or, <i>gathered</i> <i>in</i>
† Heb. until the end of light with dark- ness.	4 My lips shall not speak wickedness, nor my tongue utter deceit.	4 Surely my lips † shall not speak unrighteous- ness, Neither † shall my tongue utter deceit.	20 Or, <i>gathered</i> <i>in</i>
† Heb. until the end of light with dark- ness.	5 God forbid that I should justify you: till I die I will not remove mine integrity from me.	5 God forbid that I should justify you: Till I die I will not put away mine integrity from me.	21 Or, <i>gathered</i> <i>in</i>
† Heb. until the end of light with dark- ness.	6 My righteousness I hold fast, and will not let it go: my heart shall not reproach <i>me</i> † so long as I live.	6 My righteousness I hold fast, and will not let it go: My heart † shall not reproach me so long as I live.	22 Or, <i>gathered</i> <i>in</i>
† Heb. until the end of light with dark- ness.	7 Let mine enemy be as the wicked, and he that riseth up against me as the unrighteous.	7 Let mine enemy be as the wicked, And let him that riseth up against me be as the unrighteous.	23 Or, <i>gathered</i> <i>in</i>
	8 *For what <i>is</i> the hope of the hypocrite, though he hath gained, when God taketh away his soul?	8 For what is the hope of the godless, † though he get him gain, When God taketh away his soul?	24 Or, <i>gathered</i> <i>in</i>
	9 *Will God hear his cry when trouble cometh upon him?	9 Will God hear his cry, When trouble cometh upon him?	25 Or, <i>gathered</i> <i>in</i>

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† Or, being in the hand, &c.

* Pa. 78. Gd

+ ch. 18. 11.

† Heb. in seeing he would see.

† Or, a mine.

† Or, dust.

† Or, gold ore.

† Or, flint.

† Heb. from weeping.

* Rom. 11. 33, 34.

† Heb. Fine gold shall not be given for it.

* Prov. 3. 14. & 8. 11, 19. & 16. 16.

† Or, vessels of fine gold.

† Or, Ramoth.

10 Will he delight himself in the Almighty? will he always call upon God?

11 I will teach you [†]by the hand of God: *that which is* with the Almighty will I not conceal.

12 Behold, all ye yourselves have seen it; why then are ye thus altogether vain?

13 This *is* the portion of a wicked man with God, and the heritage of oppressors, *which* they shall receive of the Almighty.

14 If his children be multiplied, *it is* for the sword: and his offspring shall not be satisfied with bread.

15 Those that remain of him shall be buried in death: and ^{*}his widows shall not weep.

16 Though he heap up silver as the dust, and prepare raiment as the clay;

17 He may prepare it, but the just shall put it on, and the innocent shall divide the silver.

18 He buildeth his house as a moth, and as a booth *that* the keeper maketh.

19 The rich man shall lie down, but he shall not be gathered: he openeth his eyes, and he *is* not.

20 ^{*}Terrors take hold on him as waters, a tempest stealeth him away in the night.

21 The east wind carrieth him away, and he departeth: and as a storm hurleth him out of his place.

22 For *God* shall cast upon him, and not spare: [†]he would fain flee out of his hand.

23 *Men* shall clap their hands at him, and shall hiss him out of his place.

28 Surely there is [†]a vein for the silver, and a place for gold *where* they fine it.

2 Iron is taken out of the [†]earth, and brass is molten *out of* the stone.

3 He setteth an end to darkness, and searcheth out all perfection: the stones of darkness, and the shadow of death.

4 The flood breaketh out from the inhabitant; *even the waters* forgotten of the foot: they are dried up, they are gone away from men.

5 *As for* the earth, out of it cometh bread: and under it is turned up as it were fire.

6 The stones of it *are* the place of sapphires: and it hath [†]dust of gold.

7 *There is* a path which no fowl knoweth, and which the vulture's eye hath not seen:

8 The lion's whelps have not trodden it, nor the fierce lion passed by it.

9 He putteth forth his hand upon the [†]rock; he overturneth the mountains by the roots.

10 He cutteth out rivers among the rocks; and his eye seeth every precious thing.

11 He bindeth the floods [†]from overflowing; and *the thing that is hid* bringeth he forth to light.

12 But where shall wisdom be found? and where is the place of understanding?

13 Man knoweth not the price thereof; neither is it found in the land of the living.

14 ^{*}The depth saith, It *is* not in me: and the sea saith, It *is* not with me.

15 [†]It ^{*}cannot be gotten for gold, neither shall silver be weighed *for* the price thereof.

16 It cannot be valued with the gold of Ophir, with the precious onyx, or the sapphire.

17 The gold and the crystal cannot equal it: and the exchange of it *shall not be for* [†]jewels of fine gold.

18 No mention shall be made of [†]coral, or of pearls: for the price of wisdom *is* above rubies.

19 The topaz of Ethiopia shall not equal it, neither shall it be valued with pure gold.

10 Will he delight himself in the Almighty, And call upon God at all times?

11 I will teach you concerning the hand of God; That which is with the Almighty will I not conceal.

12 Behold, all ye yourselves have seen it; Why then are ye become altogether vain?

13 This is the portion of a wicked man with God, And the heritage of oppressors, which they receive from the Almighty.

14 If his children be multiplied, it is for the sword: And his offspring shall not be satisfied with bread.

15 Those that remain of him shall be buried in death, And his widows shall make no lamentation.

16 Though he heap up silver as the dust, And prepare raiment as the clay;

17 He may prepare it, but the just shall put it on, And the innocent shall divide the silver.

18 He buildeth his house as the [†]moth, And as a booth which the keeper maketh.

19 He lieth down rich, but he ²shall not be gathered;

20 Terrors overtake him like waters; A tempest stealeth him away in the night.

21 The east wind carrieth him away, and he departeth; And it sweepeth him out of his place.

22 For *God* shall hurl at him, and not spare: He would fain flee out of his hand.

23 Men shall clap their hands at him, And shall hiss him out of his place.

28³ Surely there is a mine for silver, And a place for gold which they refine.

2 Iron is taken out of the ⁴earth, And brass is molten out of the stone.

3 *Man* setteth an end to darkness, And searcheth out to the furthest bound The stones of thick darkness and of the shadow of death.

4 ⁵He breaketh open a shaft away from where men sojourn; They are forgotten of the foot *that passeth by*;

They hang afar from men, they ⁶swing to and fro.

5 As for the earth, out of it cometh bread: And underneath it is turned up as it were by fire.

6 The stones thereof are the place of sapphires, And it hath dust of gold.

7 That path no bird of prey knoweth, Neither hath the falcon's eye seen it:

8 The ⁸proud beasts have not trodden it, Nor hath the fierce lion passed thereby.

9 He putteth forth his hand upon the flinty rock; He overturneth the mountains by the roots.

10 He cutteth out ⁹channels among the rocks; And his eye seeth every precious thing.

11 He bindeth the streams ¹⁰that they trickle not; And the thing that is hid bringeth ¹¹he forth to light.

12 But where shall wisdom be found? And where is the place of understanding?

13 Man knoweth not the price thereof; Neither is it found in the land of the living.

14 The deep saith, It is not in me: And the sea saith, It is not with me.

15 It cannot be gotten for ¹¹gold, Neither shall silver be weighed for the price thereof.

16 It cannot be valued with the gold of Ophir, With the precious ¹²onyx, or the sapphire.

17 Gold and glass cannot equal it: Neither shall the exchange thereof be ¹³jewels of fine gold.

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¹ Some ancient versions have, spider.
² Some ancient versions have, shall do so no more.

³ Or, For
⁴ Or, dust

⁵ Or, The flood breaketh out from where men sojourn: even the waters forgotten of the foot: they are unvisited, they are gone away from man

⁶ Or, fit
⁷ Or, And he smelleth lumps of gold

⁸ Heb. sons of pride.

⁹ Or, passages from weeping.

¹⁰ Or, treasure
¹¹ Or, beryl
¹² Or, vessels

¹³ Or, red coral
¹⁴ Or, pearls

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20 * Whence then cometh wisdom? and where is the place of understanding?

21 Seeing it is hid from the eyes of all living, and kept close from the fowls of the air.

22 Destruction and death say, We have heard the fame thereof with our ears.

23 God understandeth the way thereof, and he knoweth the place thereof.

24 For he looketh to the ends of the earth, and seeth under the whole heaven;

25 To make the weight for the winds; and he weigheth the waters by measure.

26 When he made a decree for the rain, and a way for the lightning of the thunder:

27 Then did he see it, and declare it; he prepared it, yea, and searched it out.

28 And unto man he said, Behold, *the fear of the Lord, that is wisdom; and to depart from evil is understanding.

29 Moreover Job continued his parable, and said,

2 Oh that I were as in months past, as in the days when God preserved me;

3 When his candle shined upon my head, and when by his light I walked through darkness;

4 As I was in the days of my youth, when the secret of God was upon my tabernacle;

5 When the Almighty was yet with me, when my children were about me;

6 When I washed my steps with butter, and the rock poured me out rivers of oil;

7 When I went out to the gate through the city, when I prepared my seat in the street;

8 The young men saw me, and hid themselves: and the aged arose, and stood up.

9 The princes refrained talking, and laid their hand on their mouth.

10 The nobles held their peace, and their tongue cleaved to the roof of their mouth.

11 When the ear heard me, then it blessed me; and when the eye saw me, it gave witness to me:

12 Because I delivered the poor that cried, and the fatherless, and him that had none to help him.

13 The blessing of him that was ready to perish came upon me: and I caused the widow's heart to sing for joy.

14 I put on righteousness, and it clothed me: my judgment was as a robe and a diadem.

15 I was eyes to the blind, and feet was I to the lame.

16 I was a father to the poor: and the cause which I knew not I searched out.

17 And I brake the jaws of the wicked, and plucked the spoil out of his teeth.

18 Then I said, I shall die in my nest, and I shall multiply my days as the sand.

19 My root was spread out by the waters, and the dew lay all night upon my branch.

20 My glory was fresh in me, and my bow was renewed in my hand.

21 Unto me men gave ear, and waited, and kept silence at my counsel.

22 After my words they spake not again; and my speech dropped upon them.

23 And they waited for me as for the rain; and they opened their mouth wide as for the latter rain.

24 If I laughed on them, they believed it not; and the light of my countenance they cast not down.

25 I chose out their way, and sat chief, and dwelt as a king in the army, as one that comforteth the mourners.

30 But now they that are younger than I have me in derision, whose fathers I would have disdained to have set with the dogs of my flock.

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22 Destruction and Death say, We have heard a rumour thereof with our ears.

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24 For he looketh to the ends of the earth, and seeth under the whole heaven;

25 To make a weight for the wind; Yea, he meteth out the waters by measure.

26 When he made a decree for the rain, and a way for the lightning of the thunder:

27 Then did he see it, and declare it; He established it, yea, and searched it out.

28 And unto man he said, Behold, the fear of the Lord, that is wisdom; and to depart from evil is understanding.

29 And Job again took up his parable, and said,

2 Oh that I were as in the months of old, As in the days when God watched over me;

3 When his lamp shined upon my head, and by his light I walked through darkness;

4 As I was in the ripeness of my days, When the secret of God was upon my tent;

5 When the Almighty was yet with me, and my children were about me;

6 When my steps were washed with butter, and the rock poured me out rivers of oil!

7 When I went forth to the gate unto the city, when I prepared my seat in the street;

8 The young men saw me and hid themselves, and the aged rose up and stood;

9 The princes refrained talking, and laid their hand on their mouth.

10 The voice of the nobles was hushed, and their tongue cleaved to the roof of their mouth.

11 For when the ear heard me, then it blessed me: and when the eye saw me, it gave witness unto me:

12 Because I delivered the poor that cried, the fatherless also, that had none to help him.

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¹ Heb. Abaddon.

² Or, When he maketh

³ Or, recount

⁴ Or, above

⁵ Heb my days of autumn.

⁶ Or, counsel

⁷ Or, friendship

⁷ Or, broad place

⁸ Heb. hid.

⁹ Or, and him that had &c.

¹⁰ Or, clothed itself

¹¹ Or, turban

¹² Or, the cause which I knew not

¹³ Heb. great teeth.

¹⁴ Or, bendc

¹⁵ Heb. with.

¹⁶ Or, the phanix

¹⁷ Heb. opened.

¹⁷ Or, by

¹⁸ Or, I smiled on them

¹⁹ Or, were not content

¹⁹ Or, were not content

¹ Or, heaten.

¹ Or, did number it.

² Ps. 111 10.

Prov. 1. 7.

¹ Heb. added to take up

¹ Or, lamp.

¹ Heb. with me

¹ Heb. The voice of the nobles was hid.

¹ Heb the jawteeth, or, the grinders.

¹ Heb. I cast.

¹ Heb. opened.

¹ Heb. new.

¹ Heb. changed.

¹ Heb. of fewer days than I.

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† Or, dark as the night. : [1611 fling] † Heb. vester-night. : [1611 cliffs] † Heb. holes.

† Heb. men of no name. * Ps. 35. 15 & 69. 12. † Heb. and withhold not spittle from my face.

† Heb. my principal one.

† Heb. turned to be cruel.

† Heb. the strength of thy hand.

† Or, wisdom.

† Heb. heap. * Ps. 35. 13. Rom. 12. 15.

† Heb. for him that was hard of day? * Ps. 102. 6.

† Or, ostriches.

2 Yea, whereto *might* the strength of their hands profit me, in whom old age was perished?

3 For want and famine *they were* solitary; fleeing into the wilderness in former time desolate and waste.

4 Who cut up mallows by the bushes, and juniper roots for their meat.

5 They were driven forth from among men, (they cried after them as *after* a thief;)

6 To dwell in the cliffs of the valleys, in caves of the earth, and in the rocks.

7 Among the bushes they brayed; under the nettles they were gathered together.

8 *They were* children of fools, yea, children of base men: they were viler than the earth.

9 * And now am I their song, yea, I am their byword.

10 They abhor me, they flee far from me, and spare not to spit in my face.

11 Because he hath loosed my cord, and afflicted me, they have also let loose the bridle before me.

12 Upon my right hand rise the youth; they push away my feet, and they raise up against me the ways of their destruction.

13 They mar my path, they set forward my calamity, they have no helper.

14 They came upon me as a wide breaking in of waters: in the desolation they rolled themselves upon me.

15 Terrors are turned upon me: they pursue my soul as the wind: and my welfare passeth away as a cloud.

16 And now my soul is poured out upon me; the days of affliction have taken hold upon me.

17 My bones are pierced in me in the night season: and my sinews take no rest.

18 By the great force of my disease is my garment changed: it bindeth me about as the collar of my coat.

19 He hath cast me into the mire, and I am become like dust and ashes.

20 I cry unto thee, and thou dost not hear me: I stand up, and thou regardest me not.

21 Thou art become cruel to me: with thy strong hand thou opposeth thyself against me.

22 Thou liftest me up to the wind; thou causest me to ride upon it, and dissolvest my substance.

23 For I know that thou wilt bring me to death, and to the house appointed for all living.

24 Howbeit he will not stretch out his hand to the grave, though they cry in his destruction.

25 * Did not I weep for him that was in trouble? was not my soul grieved for the poor?

26 When I looked for good, then evil came unto me: and when I waited for light, there came darkness.

27 My bowels boiled, and rested not: the days of affliction prevented me.

28 I went mourning without the sun: I stood up, and I cried in the congregation.

29 * I am a brother to dragons, and a companion to owls.

30 My skin is black upon me, and my bones are burned with heat.

31 My harp also is turned to mourning, and my organ into the voice of them that weep.

31 I made a covenant with mine eyes; why then should I think upon a maid?

2 For what portion of God is there from above? and what inheritance of the Almighty from on high?

3 Is not destruction to the wicked? and a strange punishment to the workers of iniquity?

2 Yea, the strength of their hands, whereto should it profit me?

Men in whom ripe age is perished.

3 They are gannet with want and famine;

They gnaw the dry ground, in the gloom of wasteness and desolation.

4 They pluck salt-wort by the bushes; And the roots of the broom are their meat.

5 They are driven forth from the midst of men; They cry after them as after a thief.

6 In the clefts of the valleys must they dwell, In holes of the earth and of the rocks.

7 Among the bushes they bray; Under the nettles they are gathered together.

8 They are children of fools, yea, children of base men;

They were scourged out of the land.

9 And now I am become their song,

Yea, I am a byword unto them.

10 They abhor me, they stand aloof from me,

And spare not to spit in my face.

11 For he hath loosed his cord, and afflicted me,

And they have cast off the bridle before me.

12 Upon my right hand rise the rabble;

They thrust aside my feet, And they cast up against me their ways of destruction.

13 They mar my path,

They set forward my calamity,

Even men that have no helper.

14 As through a wide breach they come:

In the midst of the ruin they roll themselves upon me.

15 Terrors are turned upon me,

They chase mine honour as the wind;

And my welfare is passed away as a cloud

16 And now my soul is poured out within me;

Days of affliction have taken hold upon me.

17 In the night season my bones are pierced in me,

And the pains that gnaw me take no rest.

18 By the great force of my disease is my garment disfigured:

It bindeth me about as the collar of my coat.

19 He hath cast me into the mire,

And I am become like dust and ashes.

20 I cry unto thee, and thou dost not answer me:

I stand up, and thou lookest at me.

21 Thou art turned to be cruel to me:

With the might of thy hand thou persecutest me.

22 Thou liftest me up to the wind, thou causest

me to ride upon it;

And thou dissolvest me in the storm.

23 For I know that thou wilt bring me to death,

And to the house appointed for all living.

24 Surely against a ruinous heap he will not put forth his hand;

Though it be in his destruction, one may utter a cry because of these things.

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Was not my soul grieved for the needy?

26 When I looked for good, then evil came;

And when I waited for light, there came darkness.

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3 Is it not calamity to the unrighteous,

And disaster to the workers of iniquity?

not by the sun. Or, For what portion should I have of God... and what heritage &c. Is there not calamity &c.?

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1 Or, vigour
2 Or, They flee into the wilderness, into &c.
3 Or, which yesterday was
Or, on the eve of
4 Or, to warm them
5 Or, In the most gloomy valleys
6 Or, wild wretches
7 Or, stretch themselves
8 Heb. men of no name.
9 Or, arc outcasts from the land
10 Or, at the sight of me
11 According to another reading, my cord (or bow-string).
12 Or, brood
13 Or, break up
14 Or, As a wide breaking in of waters
15 Or, Thou chastest
16 Or, my nobility
17 Heb. upon.
18 Or, corroded and drop away
19 Heb. from off
20 Or, my sinews take &c.
21 Or, By his great force is &c.
22 Or, the house of meeting for &c.
23 Or, Howbeit doth not one stretch out the hand in his fall? or in his calamity therefore cry for help?
24 Or, black-cneel, but

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* 2 Chr. 16 9. ch. 34. 21. Prov. 5. 21. & 15. 3. † Heb. Let him weigh me in balances of justice.	4 *Doth not he see my ways, and count all my steps? 5 If I have walked with vanity, or if my foot hath hastened to deceit; 6 †Let me be weighed in an even balance, that God may know mine integrity. 7 If my step hath turned out of the way, and mine heart walked after mine eyes, and if any blot hath cleaved to mine hands; 8 Then let me sow, and let another eat; yea, let my offspring be rooted out. 9 If mine heart have been deceived by a woman, or if I have laid wait at my neighbour's door; 10 Then let my wife grind unto another, and let others bow down upon her. 11 For this is an heinous crime; yea, it is an iniquity to be punished by the judges. 12 For it is a fire that consumeth to destruction, and would root out all mine increase. 13 If I did despise the cause of my manservant or of my maidservant, when they contended with me; 14 What then shall I do when God riseth up? and when he visiteth, what shall I answer him? 15 Did not he that made me in the womb make him? and †did not one fashion us in the womb? 16 If I have withheld the poor from their desire, or have caused the eyes of the widow to fail; 17 Or have eaten my morsel myself alone, and the fatherless hath not eaten thereof; 18 (For from my youth he was brought up with me, as with a father, and I have guided †her from my mother's womb;) 19 If I have seen any perish for want of clothing, or any poor without covering; 20 If his loins have not blessed me, and †if he were not warmed with the fleece of my sheep; 21 If I have lifted up my hand against the fatherless, when I saw my help in the gate: 22 Then let mine arm fall from my shoulder blade, and mine arm be broken from †the bone. 23 For destruction from God was a terror to me, and by reason of his highness I could not endure. 24 If I have made gold my hope, or have said to the fine gold, Thou art my confidence; 25 If I rejoiced because my wealth was great, and because mine hand had †gotten much; 26 If I beheld †the sun when it shined, or the moon walking †in brightness; 27 And my heart hath been secretly enticed, or †my mouth hath kissed my hand: 28 This also were an iniquity to be punished by the judge: for I should have denied the God that is above. 29 If I rejoiced at the destruction of him that hated me, or lifted up myself when evil found him: 30 Neither have I suffered †my mouth to sin by wishing a curse to his soul. 31 If the men of my tabernacle said not, Oh that we had of his flesh! we cannot be satisfied. 32 The stranger did not lodge in the street: but I opened my doors †to the traveller. 33 If I covered my transgressions †as Adam, by hiding mine iniquity in my bosom: 34 Did I fear a great multitude, or did the contempt of families terrify me, that I kept silence, and went not out of the door? 35 Oh that one would hear me! †behold, my desire is, that the Almighty would answer me, and that mine adversary had written a book.	4 Doth not he see my ways, And number all my steps? 5 If I have walked with vanity, And my foot hath hastened to deceit; 6 (Let me be weighed in an even balance, That God may know mine integrity;) 7 If my step hath turned out of the way, And mine heart walked after mine eyes, And if any spot hath cleaved to mine hands: 8 Then let me sow, and let another eat; Yea, let †the produce of my field be rooted out. 9 If mine heart have been enticed unto a woman, And I have laid wait at my neighbour's door: 10 Then let my wife grind unto another, And let others bow down upon her. 11 For that were an heinous crime; Yea, it were an iniquity to be punished by the judges: 12 For it is a fire that consumeth unto †Destruction, And would root out all mine increase. 13 If I did despise the cause of my manservant or of my maidservant, When they contended with me: 14 What then shall I do when God riseth up? 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(Lo, here is my †signature, let the Almighty answer me; And that I had the †indictment which mine adversary hath written!	1 Or, my offspring Heb. my produce.
‡ Or, did he not fashion us in one womb?			2 Heb. Abaddon. See ch. xxi. 6.
† That is, the widow.			3 Or, aught that the poor desired
† Or, the channel-bone.			
† Heb. found much.			4 Heb. the light
† Heb. the light.			5 Heb. my hand hath kissed my mouth.
† Heb. bright.			6 Or, denied God
† Heb. my hand hath kissed my mouth.			7 Heb. palate.
† Heb. my palate.			8 Or, Oh that we had of his flesh! we cannot be satisfied.
† Or, to the way.			9 Heb. the way.
† Or, after the manner of men.			10 Or, after the manner of men
† Or, behold, my sin is that the Almighty will answer me.			11 Heb. mark.
			12 Heb. book.

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36 Surely I would take it upon my shoulder, and bind it as a crown to me.

37 I would declare unto him the number of my steps; as a prince would I go near unto him.

38 If my land cry against me, or that the furrows likewise thereof complain;

39 If I have eaten the fruits thereof without money, or have caused the owners thereof to lose their life:

40 Let thistles grow instead of wheat, and cockle instead of barley. The words of Job are ended.

32 So these three men ceased to answer Job, because he was righteous in his own eyes.

2 Then was kindled the wrath of Elihu the son of Barachel the Buzite, of the kindred of Ram: against Job was his wrath kindled, because he justified himself rather than God.

3 Also against his three friends was his wrath kindled, because they had found no answer, and yet had condemned Job.

4 Now Elihu had waited till Job had spoken, because they were elder than he.

5 When Elihu saw that there was no answer in the mouth of these three men, then his wrath was kindled.

6 And Elihu the son of Barachel the Buzite answered and said, I am young, and ye are very old; wherefore I was afraid, and durst not shew you mine opinion.

7 I said, Days should speak, and multitude of years should teach wisdom.

8 But there is a spirit in man: and the inspiration of the Almighty giveth them understanding.

9 Great men are not always wise: neither do the aged understand judgment.

10 Therefore I said, Hearken to me; I also will shew mine opinion.

11 Behold, I waited for your words; I gave ear to your reasons, whilst ye searched out what to say.

12 Yea, I attended unto you, and, behold, there was none of you that convinced Job, or that answered his words:

13 Lest ye should say, We have found out wisdom: God thrusteth him down, not man.

14 Now he hath not directed his words against me: neither will I answer him with your speeches.

15 They were amazed, they answered no more: they left off speaking.

16 When I had waited, (for they spake not, but stood still, and answered no more;)

17 I said, I will answer also my part, I also will shew mine opinion.

18 For I am full of matter, the spirit within me constraineth me.

19 Behold, my belly is as wine which hath no vent; it is ready to burst like new bottles.

20 I will speak, that I may be refreshed: I will open my lips and answer.

21 Let me not, I pray you, accept any man's person, neither let me give flattering titles unto man.

22 For I know not to give flattering titles; in so doing my maker would soon take me away.

33 Wherefore, Job, I pray thee, hear my speeches, and hearken to all my words.

2 Behold, now I have opened my mouth, my tongue hath spoken in my mouth.

3 My words shall be of the uprightness of my heart: and my lips shall utter knowledge clearly.

4 The Spirit of God hath made me, and the breath of the Almighty hath given me life.

+ Heb. weep.
+ Heb. the strength thereof.
+ Heb. caused the soul of the owners thereof to expire, or, breathe out.
+ Or, noisome weeds.
+ Heb. from answering.
+ Heb. his soul.
+ Heb. expected Job in words.
+ Heb. elder for days
+ Heb. few of days.
+ Heb. I feared.
* ch. 38. 36.
Prov. 2. 6.
Eccl. 2. 26.
Dan. 1. 17.
& 2. 21.
+ Heb. understood.
+ Heb. words.
+ Or, ordered his words.
+ Heb. they removed speeches from themselves.
+ Heb. words.
+ Heb. the spirit of my belly.
+ Heb. is not opened.
+ Heb. that I may breathe.

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32 So these three men ceased to answer Job, because he was righteous in his own eyes.

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3 Also against his three friends was his wrath kindled, because they had found no answer, and yet had condemned Job.

4 Now Elihu had waited till Job had spoken, because they were elder than he.

5 And when Elihu saw that there was no answer in the mouth of these three men, his wrath was kindled.

6 And Elihu the son of Barachel the Buzite answered and said, I am young, and ye are very old; wherefore I held back, and durst not shew you mine opinion.

7 I said, Days should speak, And multitude of years should teach wisdom.

8 But there is a spirit in man, And the breath of the Almighty giveth them understanding.

9 It is not the great that are wise, Nor the aged that understand judgement.

10 Therefore I said, Hearken to me; I also will shew mine opinion.

11 Behold, I waited for your words, I listened for your reasons, Whilst ye searched out what to say.

12 Yea, I attended unto you, And, behold, there was none that convinced Job, Or that answered his words, among you.

13 Beware lest ye say, We have found wisdom; God may vanquish him, not man:

14 For he hath not directed his words against me; Neither will I answer him with your speeches.

15 They are amazed, they answer no more: They have not a word to say.

16 And shall I wait, because they speak not, Because they stand still, and answer no more?

17 I also will answer my part, I also will shew mine opinion.

18 For I am full of words; The spirit within me constraineth me.

19 Behold, my belly is as wine which hath no vent; Like new bottles it is ready to burst.

20 I will speak, that I may be refreshed; I will open my lips and answer.

21 Let me not, I pray you, respect any man's person; Neither will I give flattering titles unto any man.

22 For I know not to give flattering titles; Else would my Maker soon take me away.

33 Howbeit, Job, I pray thee, hear my speech, And hearken to all my words.

2 Behold now, I have opened my mouth, My tongue hath spoken in my mouth.

3 My words shall utter the uprightness of my heart:

And that which my lips know they shall speak sincerely.

4 The spirit of God hath made me, And the breath of the Almighty giveth me life.

R. V.

1 Or, present it to him

2 Heb strength

3 Or, thorns

4 Or, noisome weeds

5 Heb. waited for Job with words.

6 Or, say

7 Or, Lest ye should say, We have found out wisdom. God thrusteth him down, not man now he &c.

8 Heb. of my belly.

9 Or, wrinkles.

10 Or, which are ready

11 Or, find relief

12 Heb. palate.

A. V.

* ch. 9. 35. & 13 20. † Heb according to thy mouth. † Heb cut out of the clay. † Heb. in mine ears.

† Heb. he answers not.

† Heb. he revealeth, or, uncovereth.

† Heb. work.

† Heb from passing by the sword.

* Ps. 107. 18.

† Heb. meat of desire.

† [1611 omits Yea.]

† Or, an atonement.

† Heb. than childhood.

† Or, He shall look upon men, and say, I have sinned, &c.

† Or, He hath delivered my soul, &c. and my life.

† Heb. twice and thrice.

* ch. 12. 11.

† Heb. palate.

5 If thou canst answer me, set thy words in order before me, stand up.
6 * Behold, I am † according to thy wish in God's stead: I also am † formed out of the clay.
7 Behold, my terror shall not make thee afraid, neither shall my hand be heavy upon thee.
8 Surely thou hast spoken † in mine hearing, and I have heard the voice of thy words, saying,
9 I am clean without transgression, I am innocent; neither is there iniquity in me.
10 Behold, he findeth occasions against me, he counteth me for his enemy,
11 He putteth my feet in the stocks, he marketh all my paths.
12 Behold, in this thou art not just: I will answer thee, that God is greater than man.
13 Why dost thou strive against him? for † he giveth not account of any of his matters.
14 For God speaketh once, yea twice, yet man perceiveth it not.
15 In a dream, in a vision of the night, when deep sleep falleth upon men, in slumberings upon the bed;
16 Then † he openeth the ears of men, and sealeth their instruction,
17 That he may withdraw man from his † purpose, and hide pride from man.
18 He keepeth back his soul from the pit, and his life † from perishing by the sword.
19 He is chastened also with pain upon his bed, and the multitude of his bones with strong pain:
20 * So that his life abhorreth bread, and his soul † dainty meat.
21 His flesh is consumed away, that it cannot be seen; and his bones that were not seen stick out.
22 † Yea, his soul draweth near unto the grave, and his life to the destroyers.
23 If there be a messenger with him, an interpreter, one among a thousand, to shew unto man his uprightness:
24 Then he is gracious unto him, and saith, Deliver him from going down to the pit: I have found † a ransom.
25 His flesh shall be fresher † than a child's: he shall return to the days of his youth:
26 He shall pray unto God, and he will be favourable unto him: and he shall see his face with joy: for he will render unto man his righteousness.
27 † He looketh upon men, and if any say, I have sinned, and perverted that which was right, and it profited me not;
28 † He will deliver his soul from going into the pit, and his life shall see the light.
29 Lo, all these things worketh God † oftentimes with man,
30 To bring back his soul from the pit, to be enlightened with the light of the living.
31 Mark well, O Job, hearken unto me: hold thy peace, and I will speak.
32 If thou hast anything to say, answer me: speak, for I desire to justify thee.
33 If not, hearken unto me: hold thy peace, and I shall teach thee wisdom.
34 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.
5 For Job hath said, I am righteous: and God hath taken away my judgment.

5 If thou canst, answer thou me;
Set thy words in order before me, stand forth.
6 Behold, † I am toward God even as thou art: I also am formed out of the clay.
7 Behold, my terror shall not make thee afraid, Neither shall my pressure be heavy upon thee.
8 Surely thou hast spoken in mine hearing, And I have heard the voice of thy words, saying,
9 I am clean, without transgression; I am innocent, neither is there iniquity in me:
10 Behold, he findeth † occasions against me, He counteth me for his enemy;
11 He putteth my feet in the stocks, He marketh all my paths.
12 † Behold, I will answer thee, in this thou art not just;
For God is greater than man.
13 † Why dost thou strive against him?
For he giveth not account of any of his matters.
14 For God speaketh † once,
Yea twice, though man regardeth it not.
15 In a dream, in a vision of the night, When deep sleep falleth upon men, In slumberings upon the bed;
16 Then he † openeth the ears of men, And sealeth their instruction,
17 † That he may withdraw man from his purpose, And hide pride from man;
18 † He keepeth back his soul from the pit, And his life from perishing by the † sword.
19 He is chastened also with pain upon his bed, † And with continual strife in his bones:
20 So that his life abhorreth bread, And his soul dainty meat.
21 His flesh is consumed away, that it cannot be seen;
And his bones that were not seen stick out.
22 Yea, his soul draweth near unto the pit, And his life to the destroyers.
23 If there be with him † an angel, An interpreter, one † among a thousand, To shew unto man † what is right for him;
24 † Then he is gracious unto him, and saith, Deliver him from going down to the pit, I have found a ransom.
25 His flesh shall be fresher than a child's; He returneth to the days of his youth:
26 He prayeth unto God, and he is favourable unto him;
So that he seeth his face with joy: And he restoreth unto man his righteousness.
27 † He singeth before men, and saith, I have sinned, and perverted that which was right, And † it profited me not:
28 He hath redeemed my soul from going into the pit, And my life shall behold the light.
29 Lo, all these things doth God work, Twice, yea thrice, with a man,
30 To bring back his soul from the pit, That he may be enlightened with the light of † the living.
31 Mark well, O Job, hearken unto me: Hold thy peace, and I will speak.
32 If thou hast any thing to say, answer me: Speak, for I desire to justify thee.
33 If not, hearken thou unto me: Hold thy peace, and I will teach thee wisdom.
34 Moreover Elihu answered and said,
2 Hear my words, ye wise men; And give ear unto me, ye that have knowledge.
3 For the ear trieth words, As the palate tasteth meat.
4 Let us choose for us that which is right: Let us know among ourselves what is good.
5 For Job hath said, I am righteous, And God hath taken away my right:

R. V.
1 Or, I am according to thy wish in God's stead
2 Or, causes of alienation
3 Or, Behold, in this thou art not just, I will answer thee: for &c.
4 Or, Why dost thou strive against him, for that he matters?
5 Or, in one way, yea, in two
6 Heb. uncovereth.
7 Or, That man may put away his purpose, and that he may hide
8 Or, That he may keep back
9 Or, weapons
10 Another reading is, While all his bones are, &c.
11 Or, a messenger
12 Or, of the thousand
13 Or, his uprightness
14 Or, And he be gracious and say.
15 Or, ransom his flesh &c.
16 Or, He looketh upon men

A. V.

† Heb. mine arrov.
 † Heb. men of heart.
 * Deut. 32. 4. 3. ch. 8. 3. & 36. 23. Ps. 92. 15. Rom. 9. 14.
 * Ps. 62. 12. Prov. 24. 12. Jer. 32. 19. Ezek. 33. 20. Matt. 16. 27. Rom. 2. 6. 2 Cor. 5. 10. 1 Pet. 1. 12. Rev. 22. 12.
 † Heb. all of it? * Ps. 104. 29.
 † Heb. upon him.
 * Gen. 3. 19. Eccles. 12. 7. † Heb. bind? * Deut. 10. 17. 2 Chr. 19. 7. Acts 10. 34. Rom. 2. 11. Gal. 2. 6. Eph. 6. 9. Col. 3. 25. 1 Pet. 1. 17.
 † Heb. they shall take away the mighty.
 * 2 Chr. 16. 9. ch. 31. 4. Prov. 5. 31. Z. 15. 3. Jer. 18. 17.
 † Heb. 90.
 † Heb. without searching out.
 † Heb. crushed.
 † Heb. in the place of be-holders.
 † Heb. from after him.
 † Heb. should it be from with thee?
 † Heb. of heart.

6 Should I lie against my right? †my wound is incurable without transgression.
 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.
 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: * 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.
 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?
 18 Is it fit to say to a king, Thou art wicked? and to princes, Ye are ungodly?
 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.
 21 *For his eyes are upon the ways of man, and he seeth all his goings.
 22 There is no darkness, nor shadow of death, where the workers of iniquity may hide themselves.
 23 For he will not lay upon man more than right; that he should † enter into judgment with God.
 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;
 27 Because they turned back † from him, and would not consider any of his ways:
 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? whether it be done against a nation, or against a man only:
 30 That the hypocrite reign not, lest the people be ensnared.
 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: 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 Let men † of understanding tell me, and let a wise man hearken unto me.
 35 Job hath spoken without knowledge, and his words were without wisdom.

6 †Notwithstanding my right I am accounted a liar;
 2My wound is incurable, though I am without transgression.
 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.
 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:
 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, of a surety, God will not do wickedly, Neither will the Almighty pervert judgement.
 13 Who gave 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 one that hateth right govern? And wilt thou condemn him that is just and mighty?
 18 † Is it fit to say to a king, Thou art vile? Or to nobles, Ye are wicked?
 19 How much less to him that respecteth 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 they die, † even at midnight; The people are shaken and pass away, And the mighty are taken away without hand.
 21 For his eyes are upon the ways of a man, And he seeth all his goings.
 22 There is no darkness, nor shadow of death, Where the workers of iniquity may hide themselves.
 23 For he needeth not further to consider a man, That he should go before God in judgement.
 24 He breaketh in pieces mighty men † in ways past finding out, And setteth others in their stead.
 25 Therefore he taketh knowledge of 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;
 27 Because they turned aside from following him, And would not have regard to any of his ways:
 28 † So that they caused the cry of the poor to come unto him, And he heard the cry of the afflicted.
 29 When he giveth quietness, who then can condemn? And when he hideth his face, who then can behold him? Whether it be done unto a nation, or unto a man, alike:
 30 That the godless man reign not, That there be none to ensnare the people.
 31 For hath any said unto God, I have borne chastisement, † I will not offend any more:
 32 That which I see not teach thou me: If I have done iniquity, I will do it no more?
 33 Shall his recompence be as thou wilt, that thou refusest it?
 For thou must choose, and not I: Therefore speak what thou knowest.
 34 Men of understanding will say unto me, Yea, every wise man that heareth me:
 35 Job speaketh without knowledge, And his words are without wisdom.

R. V.
 1 Or, Should I lie against my right?
 2 Heb. Mine arrov
 3 Or, consent with See Ps. 1. 18.
 4 Or, laid upon him
 5 According to another reading, If he cause his heart to return unto himself.
 6 Or, upon himself
 7 Heb. hum.
 8 Or, Only understand
 9 Or, as read by some ancient versions, Who saith to vile, and to... wicked; that respecteth &c.
 10 Or, and at midnight the people &c.
 11 Or, without inquisition
 12 Heb. crushed.
 13 Heb. In the place of be-holders.
 14 Or, That they might cause... and that he might hear
 15 Or, the which I offend not

A. V.

Or, My father, let Job be tried.

Or, by it more than by my sin?

Heb. I will return to thee words.

ch. 22. 3. Ps. 16. 2. Rom. 11. 33.

ch. 27. 9. Prov. 1. 28. Isa. 1. 15. Jer. 11. 11.

That is, God. That is, Job.

Heb. that there are yet words for God.

Heb. heart.

Or, afflicted. Ps. 34. 15.

ch. 21. 13.

Heb. they shall pass away by the sword.

Heb. Their soul dieth.

Or, sodomites.

36 My desire is that 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, and multiplieth his words against God.

35 Elihu spake moreover, and said, 2 Thinkest thou this to be right, that thou saidst, My righteousness is more than God's?

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

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.

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

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.

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.

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

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

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.

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

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.

36 Elihu also proceeded, and said, 2 Suffer me a little, and I will shew thee that I have yet to speak on God's behalf.

3 I will fetch my knowledge from afar, and will ascribe righteousness to my Maker.

4 For truly my words shall not be false: he that is perfect in knowledge is with thee.

5 Behold, God is mighty, and despiseth not any: he is mighty in strength and wisdom.

6 He preserveth not the life of the wicked: but giveth right to the poor.

7 He withdraweth not his eyes from the righteous: but with kings are they on the throne; yea, he doth establish them for ever, and they are exalted.

8 And if they be bound in fetters, and be holden in cords of affliction;

9 Then he sheweth them their work, and their transgressions that they have exceeded.

10 He openeth also their ear to discipline, and commandeth that they return from iniquity.

11 If they obey and serve him, they shall spend their days in prosperity, and their years in pleasures.

12 But if they obey not, they shall perish by the sword, and they shall die without knowledge.

13 But the hypocrites in heart heap up wrath: they cry not when he bindeth them.

14 They die in youth, and their life is among the unclean.

36 Would that Job were tried unto the end, Because of his answering like wicked men.

37 For he addeth rebellion unto his sin, He clappeth his hands among us, And multiplieth his words against God.

35 Moreover Elihu answered and said, 2 Thinkest thou this to be thy right, Or sayest thou, My righteousness is more than God's,

3 That thou sayest, What advantage will it be unto thee? And, What profit shall I have, more than if I had sinned?

4 I will answer thee, And thy companions with thee.

5 Look unto the heavens, and see; And behold the skies, which are higher than thou.

6 If thou hast sinned, what doest thou against him? And if thy transgressions be multiplied, what doest thou unto him?

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 a son of man.

9 By reason of the multitude of oppressions they cry out;

They cry for help by reason of the arm of the mighty.

10 But none saith, Where is God my Maker, Who giveth songs in the night;

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

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.

14 How much less when thou sayest thou beholdest him not,

The cause is before him, and thou waitest for him!

15 But now, because he hath not visited in his anger,

Neither doth he greatly regard arrogance; 16 Therefore doth Job open his mouth in vanity; He multiplieth words without knowledge.

36 Elihu also proceeded, and said, 2 Suffer me a little, and I will shew thee;

For I have yet somewhat to say on God's behalf.

3 I will fetch my knowledge from afar, And I will ascribe righteousness to my Maker.

4 For truly my words are not false: One that is perfect in knowledge is with thee.

5 Behold, God is mighty, and despiseth not any: He is mighty in strength of understanding.

6 He preserveth not the life of the wicked: But giveth to the afflicted their right.

7 He withdraweth not his eyes from the righteous: He setteth them for ever, and they are exalted.

8 And if they be bound in fetters, And be taken in the cords of affliction;

9 Then he sheweth them their work, And their transgressions, that they have behaved themselves proudly.

10 He openeth also their ear to instruction, And commandeth that they return from iniquity.

11 If they hearken and serve him, They shall spend their days in prosperity, And their years in pleasures.

12 But if they hearken not, they shall perish by the sword,

And they shall die without knowledge.

13 But they that are godless in heart lay up anger: They cry not for help when he bindeth them.

14 They die in youth, And their life perisheth among the unclean.

R. V.

Or, but he answereth not

Or, thou beholdest him not! The cause is before him; therefore wait thou for him.

Or, Thou sayest, He doth not greatly regard arrogance Thus doth he.

Heb. Wait for.

Heb. there are yet words for God.

Heb. heart.

Or, pleasure.

Or, weapons.

Heb. Their soul dieth.

Or, like

Or, sodomites

See Deut. xliii. 17.

A. V.

* Or, afflicted.

† Heb. the seat of thy table.

† Or, judgment and justice should uphold thee.

† Heb. turn thee aside.

† Heb. the roots.

† Heb. that which goeth up.

† Heb. Hear in hearing.

† Heb. light.

† Heb. wings of the earth.

* Pa. 147. 16, 17.

† Heb. and to the shower of rain, and to the showers of rain of his strength.

† Heb. Out of the chamber.

† Heb. scattering winds.

† Heb. the cloud of his light.

† Heb. a rod.

15 He delivereth the ¹poor in his affliction, and openeth their ears in oppression.

16 Even so would he have removed thee out of the strait *into* a broad place, where *there is* no straitness; and [†]that which should be set on thy table *should* be full of fatness.

17 But thou hast fulfilled the judgment of the wicked: [†]judgment and justice take hold on thee.

18 Because *there is* wrath, *beware* lest he take thee away with his stroke: then a great ransom cannot [†]deliver thee.

19 Will he esteem thy riches? *no*, not gold, nor all the forces of strength.

20 Desire not the night, when people are cut off in their place.

21 Take heed, regard not iniquity: for this hast thou chosen rather than affliction.

22 Behold, God exalteth by his power: who teacheth like him?

23 Who hath enjoined him his way? or who can say, Thou hast wrought iniquity?

24 Remember that thou magnify his work, which men behold.

25 Every man may see it; man may behold it afar off.

26 Behold, God is great, and we know him not, neither can the number of his years be searched out.

27 For he maketh small the drops of water: they pour down rain according to the vapour thereof:

28 Which the clouds do drop *and* distil upon man abundantly.

29 Also can any understand the spreadings of the clouds, or the noise of his tabernacle?

30 Behold, he spreadeth his light upon it, and covereth [†]the bottom of the sea.

31 For by them judgeth he the people; he giveth meat in abundance.

32 With clouds he covereth the light; and commandeth it *not to shine* by the cloud that cometh betwixt.

33 The noise thereof sheweth concerning the cattle also concerning [†]the vapour.

37 At this also my heart trembleth, and is moved out of his place.

2 [†]Hear attentively the noise of his voice, and the sound *that* goeth out of his mouth.

3 He directeth it under the whole heaven, and his [†]lightning unto the [†]ends of the earth.

4 After it a voice roareth: he thundereth with the voice of his excellency; and he will not stay them when his voice is heard.

5 God thundereth marvellously with his voice; great things doeth he, which we cannot comprehend.

6 For ^{*}he saith to the snow, Be thou on the earth; [†]likewise to the small rain, and to the great rain of his strength.

7 He sealeth up the hand of every man; that all men may know his work.

8 Then the beasts go into dens, and remain in their places.

9 [†]Out of the south cometh the whirlwind: and cold out of the [†]north.

10 By the breath of God frost is given: and the breadth of the waters is straitened.

11 Also by watering he wearieth the thick cloud: he scattereth [†]his bright cloud:

12 And it is turned round about by his counsels: that they may do whatsoever he commandeth them upon the face of the world in the earth.

13 He causeth it to come, whether for [†]correction, or for his land, or for mercy.

15 He delivereth the afflicted ¹by his affliction, And openeth their ear ²in oppression.

16 Yea, he would have ³led thee away ⁴out of distress Into a broad place, where there is no straitness; And that which is set on thy table should be full of fatness.

17 But thou ⁵art full of the judgement of the wicked:

Judgement and justice take hold on thee.

18 ⁶Because there is wrath, beware lest thou be ⁷led away by thy sufficiency;

Neither let the greatness of the ransom turn thee aside.

19 ⁸Will thy riches suffice, ⁹that thou be not in distress,

Or all the forces of thy strength?

20 Desire not the night,

When peoples ¹⁰are cut off in their place.

21 Take heed, regard not iniquity:

For this hast thou chosen rather than affliction.

22 Behold, God doeth loftily in his power:

Who is a teacher like unto him?

23 Who hath enjoined him his way?

Or who can say, Thou hast wrought unrighteousness?

24 Remember that thou magnify his work,

Whereof men have sung.

25 All men have looked thereon;

Man beholdeth it afar off.

26 Behold, God is great, and we know him not;

The number of his years is unsearchable.

27 For he draweth up the drops of water,

Which distil in rain ¹¹from ¹²his vapour:

28 Which the skies pour down

And drop upon man abundantly.

29 Yea, can any understand the spreadings of the clouds,

The thunderings of his pavilion?

30 Behold, he spreadeth his light ¹³around him;

And he ¹⁴covereth the bottom of the sea.

31 For by these he judgeth the peoples;

He giveth meat in abundance.

32 He covereth his hands with the ¹⁵lightning;

And giveth it a charge ¹⁶that it strike the mark.

33 The noise thereof telleth concerning ¹⁷him,

The cattle also concerning ¹⁸the storm that cometh up.

37 At this also my heart trembleth, And is moved out of its place.

2 Harken ye unto the noise of his voice,

And the ¹⁹sound that goeth out of his mouth.

3 He sendeth it forth under the whole heaven,

And his ²⁰lightning unto the ²⁰ends of the earth.

4 After it a voice roareth;

He thundereth with the voice of his majesty:

And he stayeth them not when his voice is heard.

5 God thundereth marvellously with his voice;

Great things doeth he, which we cannot comprehend.

6 For he saith to the snow, Fall thou on the earth;

Likewise to the shower of rain,

And to the showers of his mighty rain.

7 He sealeth up the hand of every man;

That all men whom he hath made may know it.

8 Then the beasts go into coverts,

And remain in their dens.

9 Out of ²¹the chamber of the south cometh the storm:

And cold out of the ²²north.

10 By the breath of God ice is given:

And the breadth of the waters is ²³straitened.

11 Yea, he ladeth the thick cloud with moisture;

He spreadeth abroad the cloud of his ²⁴lightning:

12 And it is turned round about by his guidance,

That they may do whatsoever he commandeth them

Upon the face of the habitable world:

13 Whether it be for correction, or for his ²⁴land,

Or for mercy, that he cause it to come.

R. V.

¹ Or, in

² Or, by adversity

³ Or, allured thee

⁴ Heb. out of the mouth of.

⁵ Or, hast filled up

⁶ Or, For beware lest

wrath lead thee away into mockery

⁷ Or, allured

⁸ Or, Will thy cry avail

⁹ Or, that are without stint

¹⁰ Heb. go up.

¹¹ Heb. belonging to.

¹² Or, the vapour thereof

¹³ Or, thereon

¹⁴ Or, covereth it with the

depths of the sea

¹⁵ Heb. light.

¹⁶ Or, against the assitant

¹⁷ Or, it

¹⁸ Or, lum

¹⁹ Or, mittering

²⁰ Heb. skirts.

²¹ See ch. ix 9.

²² Heb. scattering winds.

²³ Or, congealed

²⁴ Or, earth

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21 Knowest thou it, because thou wast then born? or because the number of thy days is great?

22 Hast thou entered into the treasures of the snow? or hast thou seen the treasures of the hail,

23 Which I have reserved against the time of trouble, against the day of battle and war?

24 By what way is the light parted, which scattereth the east wind upon the earth?

25 Who hath divided a watercourse for the overflowing of waters, or a way for the lightning of thunder;

26 To cause it to rain on the earth, where no man is; on the wilderness, wherein there is no man;

27 To satisfy the desolate and waste ground; and to cause the bud of the tender herb to spring forth?

28 Hath the rain a father? or who hath begotten the drops of dew?

29 Out of whose womb came the ice? and the hoary frost of heaven, who hath gendered it?

30 The waters are hid as with a stone, and the face of the deep is frozen.

31 Canst thou bind the sweet influences of Pleiades, or loose the bands of Orion?

32 Canst thou bring forth Mazzaroth in his season? or canst thou guide Arcturus with his sons?

33 Knowest thou the ordinances of heaven? canst thou set the dominion thereof in the earth?

34 Canst thou lift up thy voice to the clouds, that abundance of waters may cover thee?

35 Canst thou send lightnings, that they may go, and say unto thee, Here we are?

36 Who hath put wisdom in the inward parts? or who hath given understanding to the heart?

37 Who can number the clouds in wisdom? or who can stay the bottles of heaven,

38 When the dust groweth into hardness, and the clods cleave fast together?

39 Will thou hunt the prey for the lion? or fill the appetite of the young lions,

40 When they couch in their dens, and abide in the covert to lie in wait?

41 Who provideth for the raven his food? when his young ones cry unto God, they wander for lack of meat.

39 Knowest thou the time when the wild goats of the rock bring forth? or canst thou mark when the hinds do calve?

2 Canst thou number the months that they fulfil? or knowest thou the time when they bring forth?

3 They bow themselves, they bring forth their young ones, they cast out their sorrows.

4 Their young ones are in good liking, they grow up with corn; they go forth, and return not unto them.

5 Who hath sent out the wild ass free? or who hath loosed the bands of the wild ass?

6 Whose house I have made the wilderness, and the barren land his dwellings.

7 He scorneth the multitude of the city, neither regardeth he the crying of the driver.

8 The range of the mountains is his pasture, and he searcheth after every green thing.

9 Will the unicorn be willing to serve thee, or abide by thy crib?

10 Canst thou bind the unicorn with his band in the furrow? or will he harrow the valleys after thee?

11 Wilt thou trust him, because his strength is great? or wilt thou leave thy labour to him?

12 Wilt thou believe him, that he will bring home thy seed, and gather it into thy barn?

13 Gavest thou the goodly wings unto the peacocks? or wings and feathers unto the ostrich?

† Heb. is taken.
† Or, the seven stars.
† Heb. Cimah.
† Heb. Ccsi?
† Or, the twelve signs.
† Heb. guide them.
† Heb. Behold us!
* ch. 32.
Eccles. 2. 26.
† Heb. who can cause to lie down.
† Or, When the dust is turned into mire.
† Heb. is poured.
* Pa. 104. 21.
† Heb. the life.
* Pa. 147. 9.
Matt. 6. 26.
* Pa. 20. 9.
† Heb. salt places.
† Heb. of the exactor.
† Or, the feathers of the stork and ostrich.

21 Doubtless, thou knowest, for thou wast then born, And the number of thy days is great!

22 Hast thou entered the treasures of the snow, Or hast thou seen the treasures of the hail,

23 Which I have reserved against the time of trouble, Against the day of battle and war?

24 By what way is the light parted, Or the east wind scattered upon the earth?

25 Who hath cleft a channel for the waterflood, Or a way for the lightning of the thunder;

26 To cause it to rain on a land where no man is; On the wilderness, wherein there is no man;

27 To satisfy the waste and desolate ground; And to cause the tender grass to spring forth?

28 Hath the rain a father? Or who hath begotten the drops of dew?

29 Out of whose womb came the ice? And the hoary frost of heaven, who hath gendered it?

30 The waters are hidden as with stone, And the face of the deep is frozen.

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32 Canst thou lead forth Mazzaroth in their season? Or canst thou guide the Bear with her train?

33 Knowest thou the ordinances of the heavens? Canst thou establish the dominion thereof in the earth?

34 Canst thou lift up thy voice to the clouds, That abundance of waters may cover thee?

35 Canst thou send forth lightnings, that they may go, And say unto thee, Here we are?

36 Who hath put wisdom in the inward parts? Or who hath given understanding to the mind?

37 Who can number the clouds by wisdom? Or who can pour out the bottles of heaven,

38 When the dust runneth into a mass, And the clods cleave fast together?

39 Wilt thou hunt the prey for the lioness? Or satisfy the appetite of the young lions,

40 When they couch in their dens, And abide in the covert to lie in wait?

41 Who provideth for the raven his food, When his young ones cry unto God, And wander for lack of meat?

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3 They bow themselves, they bring forth their young, They cast out their sorrows.

4 Their young ones are in good liking, they grow up in the open field; They go forth, and return not again.

5 Who hath sent out the wild ass free? Or who hath loosed the bands of the wild ass?

6 Whose house I have made the wilderness, And the salt land his dwelling place.

7 He scorneth the tumult of the city, Neither heareth he the shoutings of the driver.

8 The range of the mountains is his pasture, And he searcheth after every green thing.

9 Will the wild-ox be content to serve thee? Or will he abide by thy crib?

10 Canst thou bind the wild-ox with his band in the furrow? Or will he harrow the valleys after thee?

11 Wilt thou trust him, because his strength is great? Or wilt thou leave to him thy labour?

12 Wilt thou confide in him, that he will bring home thy seed, And gather the corn of thy threshing-floor?

13 The wing of the ostrich rejoiceth; But are her pinions and feathers kindly?

R. V.

1 Or, Which is the way to the place where the light is?
2 Or, green-sward
3 Or, given its birth
4 Or, are congealed like stone
5 Heb. cohereth.
6 Or, chain
Or, sweet influences
7 Or, the signs of the Zodiac
8 Heb. sons.
9 Or, dark clouds
10 Or, meteor
11 Heb. cause to lie down.
12 Or, return not unto them
13 Or, task-master
14 See Num. xvii. 22.
15 Or, like the stork's

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14 Which leaveth her eggs in the earth, and warmeth them in dust,

15 And forgetteth that the foot may crush them, or that the wild beast may break them.

16 She is hardened against her young ones, as though *they were* not hers: her labour is in vain without fear;

17 Because God hath deprived her of wisdom, neither hath he imparted to her understanding.

18 What time she lifteth up herself on high, she scorneth the horse and his rider.

19 Hast thou given the horse strength? hast thou clothed his neck with thunder?

20 Canst thou make him afraid as a grasshopper? the glory of his nostrils is terrible.

21 He paweth in the valley, and rejoiceth in his strength: he goeth on to meet the armed men.

22 He mocketh at fear, and is not affrighted; neither turneth he back from the sword.

23 The quiver rattleth against him, the glittering spear and the shield.

24 He swalloweth the ground with fierceness and rage: neither believeth he that it is the sound of the trumpet.

25 He saith among the trumpets, Ha, ha; and he smelleth the battle afar off, the thunder of the captains, and the shouting.

26 Doth the hawk fly by thy wisdom, and stretch her wings toward the south?

27 Doth the eagle mount up at thy command, and make her nest on high?

28 She dwelleth and abideth on the rock, upon the crag of the rock, and the strong place.

29 From thence she seeketh the prey, and her eyes behold afar off.

30 Her young ones also suck up blood: and where the slain are, there is she.

40 Moreover the Lord answered Job, and said,

2 Shall he that contendeth with the Almighty instruct him? he that reproveth God, let him answer it.

3 ¶ Then Job answered the Lord, and said,

4 Behold, I am vile; what shall I answer thee? I will lay mine hand upon my mouth.

5 Once have I spoken; but I will not answer: yea, twice; but I will proceed no further.

6 ¶ Then answered the Lord unto Job out of the whirlwind, and said,

7 *Gird up thy loins now like a man: I will demand of thee, and declare thou unto me.

8 *Wilt thou also disannul my judgment? wilt thou condemn me, that thou mayest be righteous?

9 Hast thou an arm like God? or canst thou thunder with a voice like him?

10 *Deck thyself now with majesty and excellency; and array thyself with glory and beauty.

11 Cast abroad the rage of thy wrath: and behold every one that is proud, and abase him.

12 Look on every one that is proud, and bring him low; and tread down the wicked in their place.

13 Hide them in the dust together; and bind their faces in secret.

14 Then will I also confess unto thee that thine own right hand can save thee.

15 ¶ Behold now behemoth, which I made with thee; he eateth grass as an ox.

16 Lo now, his strength is in his loins, and his force is in the navel of his belly.

† Heb. terror.
† Or, His feet dig.
† Heb. the armour.

† Heb. by thy mouth.

* Matt. 24. 28.
Luke 17. 37.
† [1611 he]

* ch. 38. 3.

* Pa. 50. 21.
Rom. 8. 4.

* Pa. 104. 1.

† Or, the elephant, as some think.

14 For she leaveth her eggs on the earth, And warmeth them in the dust,

15 And forgetteth that the foot may crush them, Or that the wild beast may trample them.

16 She is hardened against her young ones, as if they were not hers: Though her labour be in vain, she is without fear;

17 Because God hath deprived her of wisdom, Neither hath he imparted to her understanding.

18 What time she lifteth up herself on high, She scorneth the horse and his rider.

19 Hast thou given the horse his might?

Hast thou clothed his neck with the quivering mane?

20 Hast thou made him to leap as a locust?

The glory of his snorting is terrible.

21 He paweth in the valley, and rejoiceth in his strength:

He goeth out to meet the armed men.

22 He mocketh at fear, and is not dismayed;

Neither turneth he back from the sword.

23 The quiver rattleth against him, The flashing spear and the javelin.

24 He swalloweth the ground with fierceness and rage;

Neither believeth he that it is the voice of the trumpet.

25 As oft as the trumpet soundeth he saith, Aha! And he smelleth the battle afar off,

The thunder of the captains, and the shouting.

26 Doth the hawk soar by thy wisdom,

And stretch her wings toward the south?

27 Doth the eagle mount up at thy command,

And make her nest on high?

28 She dwelleth on the rock, and hath her lodging there,

Upon the crag of the rock, and the strong hold.

29 From thence she spieth out the prey;

Her eyes behold it afar off.

30 Her young ones also suck up blood:

And where the slain are, there is she.

3 Then Job answered the Lord, and said,

4 Behold, I am of small account; what shall I answer thee? I lay mine hand upon my mouth.

5 Once have I spoken, and I will not answer;

Yea twice, but I will proceed no further.

6 Then the Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind, and said,

7 Gird up thy loins now like a man:

I will demand of thee, and declare thou unto me.

8 Wilt thou even disannul my judgement?

Wilt thou condemn me, that thou mayest be justified?

9 Or hast thou an arm like God?

And canst thou thunder with a voice like him?

10 Deck thyself now with excellency and dignity;

And array thyself with honour and majesty.

11 Pour forth the overflowings of thine anger:

And look upon every one that is proud, and abase him.

12 Look on every one that is proud, and bring him low;

And tread down the wicked where they stand.

13 Hide them in the dust together;

Bind their faces in the hidden place.

14 Then will I also confess of thee

That thine own right hand can save thee.

15 Behold now behemoth, which I made with thee;

He eateth grass as an ox.

16 Lo now, his strength is in his loins,

And his force is in the muscles of his belly.

R. V.

1 Or, dealeth hardly with

2 Heb. made her to forget wisdom.

3 Or, rouseth herself up to flight

4 Heb. shaking.

5 Heb. They paw.

6 Or, the weapons

7 Or, upon

8 Or, Neither staveleth he still at it.

9 That is, the hippopotamus.

A. V.

¹ Or, He settleth up.

¹ Heb. he oppresseth.

¹ Or, Will any take him in his sight, or, bore his nose with a gin?

¹ That is, a whale, or, a whirl-pool.

¹ Heb. which thou drownest?

¹ [1611 omits or]

* Ps. 24. 1. & 50. 12. 1 Cor. 10. 26.

⁸ Or, within.

¹ Heb. strong pieces of shields.

¹ Heb. sorrow rejoiceth.

¹ Heb. The fallings.

¹ Or, breast-plate.

17 He moveth his tail like a cedar: the sinews of his stones are wrapped together.

18 His bones are as strong pieces of brass; his bones are like bars of iron.

19 He is the chief of the ways of God: he that made him can make his sword to approach unto him.

20 Surely the mountains bring him forth food, where all the beasts of the field play.

21 He lieth under the shady trees, in the covert of the reed, and fens.

22 The shady trees cover him with their shadow; the willows of the brook compass him about.

23 Behold, he drunketh up a river, and hasteth not: he trusteth that he can draw up Jordan into his mouth.

24 He taketh it with his eyes: his nose pierceth through snares.

41 Canst thou draw out Leviathan with an hook? or his tongue with a cord which thou lettest down?

2 Canst thou put an hook into his nose? or bore his jaw through with a thorn?

3 Will he make many supplications unto thee? will he speak soft words unto thee?

4 Will he make a covenant with thee? wilt thou take him for a servant for ever?

5 Wilt thou play with him as with a bird? or wilt thou bind him for thy maidens?

6 Shall the companions make a banquet of him? shall they part him among the merchants?

7 Canst thou fill his skin with barbed irons? or his head with fish spears?

8 Lay thine hand upon him, remember the battle, do no more.

9 Behold, the hope of him is in vain: shall not one be cast down even at the sight of him?

10 None is so fierce that dare stir him up: who then is able to stand before me?

11 Who hath prevented me, that I should repay him? whatsoever is under the whole heaven is mine.

12 I will not conceal his parts, nor his power, nor his comely proportion.

13 Who can discover the face of his garment? or who can come to him with his double bridle?

14 Who can open the doors of his face? his teeth are terrible round about.

15 His scales are his pride, shut up together as with a close seal.

16 One is so near to another, that no air can come between them.

17 They are joined one to another, they stick together, that they cannot be sundered.

18 By his needings a light doth shine, and his eyes are like the eyelids of the morning.

19 Out of his mouth go burning lamps, and sparks of fire leap out.

20 Out of his nostrils goeth smoke, as out of a seething pot or caldron.

21 His breath kindleth coals, and a flame goeth out of his mouth.

22 In his neck remaineth strength, and sorrow is turned into joy before him.

23 The flakes of his flesh are joined together: they are firm in themselves; they cannot be moved.

24 His heart is as firm as a stone; yea, as hard as a piece of the nether millstone.

25 When he raiseth up himself, the mighty are afraid: by reason of breakings they purify themselves.

26 The sword of him that layeth at him cannot hold: the spear, the dart, nor the habergeon.

17 He moveth his tail like a cedar: The sinews of his thighs are knit together.

18 His bones are as tubes of brass; His limbs are like bars of iron.

19 He is the chief of the ways of God: He only that made him can make his sword to approach unto him.

20 Surely the mountains bring him forth food; Where all the beasts of the field do play.

21 He lieth under the lotus trees, In the covert of the reed, and the fen.

22 The lotus trees cover him with their shadow; the willows of the brook compass him about.

23 Behold, if a river overflow, he trembleth not: He is confident, though Jordan swell even to his mouth.

24 Shall any take him when he is on the watch, Or pierce through his nose with a snare?

41 Canst thou draw out Leviathan with a fish hook?

Or press down his tongue with a cord?

2 Canst thou put a rope into his nose? Or pierce his jaw through with a hook?

3 Will he make many supplications unto thee? Or will he speak soft words unto thee?

4 Will he make a covenant with thee, That thou shouldst take him for a servant for ever?

5 Wilt thou play with him as with a bird? Or wilt thou bind him for thy maidens?

6 Shall the bands of fishermen make traffic of him? Shall they part him among the merchants?

7 Canst thou fill his skin with barbed irons, Or his head with fish spears?

8 Lay thine hand upon him; Remember the battle, and do so no more.

9 Behold, the hope of him is in vain: Shall not one be cast down even at the sight of him?

10 None is so fierce that he dare stir him up: Who then is he that can stand before me?

11 Who hath first given unto me, that I should repay him? Whatsoever is under the whole heaven is mine.

12 I will not keep silence concerning his limbs, Nor his mighty strength, nor his comely proportion.

13 Who can strip off his outer garment? Who shall come within his double bridle?

14 Who can open the doors of his face? Round about his teeth is terror.

15 His strong scales are his pride, Shut up together as with a close seal.

16 One is so near to another, That no air can come between them.

17 They are joined one to another; They stick together, that they cannot be sundered.

18 His needings flash forth light, And his eyes are like the eyelids of the morning.

19 Out of his mouth go burning torches, And sparks of fire leap forth.

20 Out of his nostrils a smoke goeth, As of a seething pot and burning rushes.

21 His breath kindleth coals, And a flame goeth forth from his mouth.

22 In his neck abideth strength, And terror danceth before him.

23 The flakes of his flesh are joined together: They are firm upon him; they cannot be moved.

24 His heart is as firm as a stone; Yea, firm as the nether millstone.

25 When he raiseth himself up, the mighty are afraid: By reason of consternation they are beside themselves.

26 If one lay at him with the sword, it cannot avail; Nor the spear, the dart, nor the pointed shaft.

R. V.

¹ Or, ribs

² Or, He that made him hath furnished him with his sword

³ Or, he violent

[Ch. xl 25 in Heb.]

⁴ That is, the crocodile.

⁵ Heb. a rope of rushes.

⁶ Or, spic

[Ch. xli 1 in Heb.]

⁷ Heb. uncover the face of his garment.

⁸ Or, His teeth are terrible round about

⁹ Or, courses of scales Heb. channels of shields.

¹⁰ Or, coat of mail

A. V.

27 He esteemeth iron as straw, and brass as rotten wood.

28 The arrow cannot make him flee: slingstones are turned with him into stubble

29 Darts are counted as stubble: he laugheth at the shaking of a spear.

30 [†]Sharp stones are under him: he spreadeth sharp pointed things upon the mire.

31 He maketh the deep to boil like a pot. he maketh the sea like a pot of ointment.

32 He maketh a path to shine after him; one would think the deep to be hoary

33 Upon earth there is not his like, [†] who is made without fear.

34 He beholdeth all high things. he is a king over all the children of pride.

42 Then Job answered the LORD, and said, 2 I know that thou canst do every thing, and that no thought can be withholden from thee.

3 ^{*} Who is he that hideth counsel without knowledge? therefore have I uttered that I understood not; things too wonderful for me, which I knew not.

4 Hear, I beseech thee, and I will speak: I will demand of thee, and declare thou unto me.

5 I have heard of thee by the hearing of the ear. but now mine eye seeth thee.

6 Wherefore I abhor myself, and repent in dust and ashes.

7 ¶ And it was so, that after the LORD had spoken these words unto Job, the LORD said to Eliphaz the Temanite, My wrath is kindled against thee, and against thy two friends: for ye have not spoken of me the thing that is right, as my servant Job hath.

8 Therefore take unto you now seven bullocks and seven rams, and go to my servant Job, and offer up for yourselves a burnt offering; and my servant Job shall pray for you: for [†]him will I accept: lest I deal with you after your folly, in that ye have not spoken of me the thing which is right, like my servant Job.

9 So Eliphaz the Temanite and Bildad the Shuhite and Zophar the Naamathite went, and did according as the LORD commanded them: the LORD also accepted [†]Job.

10 And the LORD turned the captivity of Job, when he prayed for his friends: also the LORD gave Job twice as much as he had before.

11 Then came there unto him all his brethren, and all his sisters, and all they that had been of his acquaintance before, and did eat bread with him in his house: and they bemoaned him, and comforted him over all the evil that the LORD had brought upon him: every man also gave him a piece of money, and every one an earring of gold.

12 So the LORD blessed the latter end of Job more than his beginning: for he had fourteen thousand sheep, and six thousand camels, and a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand she asses.

13 He had also seven sons and three daughters.

14 And he called the name of the first, Jemima; and the name of the second, Kezia; and the name of the third, Keren-happuch.

15 And in all the land were no women found so fair as the daughters of Job: and their father gave them inheritance among their brethren.

16 After this lived Job an hundred and forty years, and saw his sons, and his sons' sons, even four generations.

17 So Job died, being old and full of days.

[†] Heb. Sharp pieces of the polished.

[†] Or, who behave themselves without fear.

[†] Or, no thought of thine can be withholden.

^{*} ch. 33. 2.

[†] Heb. his face, or, person.

[†] Heb. the face of Job.

[†] Heb. added [all that had been] to Job unto the double.

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[†] Heb. son of the bow.

² See ch. xxviii. 8.

³ See ch. xxviii. 2.

⁴ See ch. xxviii. 3, xl. 7.

⁵ Or, loathe my words

⁶ Heb. Keren-happuch.

27 He counteth iron as straw, And brass as rotten wood.

28 The [†]arrow cannot make him flee: Slingstones are turned with him into stubble.

29 Clubs are counted as stubble: He laugheth at the rushing of the javelin.

30 His underparts are like sharp potsberds: He spreadeth as it were a threshing wain upon the mire.

31 He maketh the deep to boil like a pot: He maketh the sea like ointment.

32 He maketh a path to shine after him; One would think the deep to be hoary.

33 Upon earth there is not his like, That is made without fear.

34 He beholdeth every thing that is high: He is king over all the ²sons of pride.

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10 And the LORD turned the captivity of Job, when he prayed for his friends: and the LORD gave Job twice as much as he had before. Then came there unto him all his brethren, and all his sisters, and all they that had been of his acquaintance before, and did eat bread with him in his house: and they bemoaned him, and comforted him concerning all the evil that the LORD had brought upon him: every man also gave him a ⁶piece of money, and every one a ¹²ring of gold. So the LORD blessed the latter end of Job more than his beginning: and he had fourteen thousand sheep, and six thousand camels, and a thousand yoke of oxen, and a ¹³thousand she-asses. He had also seven sons ¹⁴and three daughters. And he called the name of the first, Jamimah; and the name of the second, Keziah; and the name of the third, Keren-happuch. And in all the land were no women found so fair as the daughters of Job: and their father gave them inheritance among ¹⁶their brethren. And after this Job lived an hundred and forty years, and saw his sons, and ¹⁷his sons' sons, even four generations. So Job died, being old and full of days.

8 servant Job hath. Now therefore, take unto you seven bullocks and seven rams, and go to my servant Job, and offer up for yourselves a burnt offering; and my servant Job shall pray for you; for him will I accept, that I deal not with you after your folly; for ye have not spoken of me the thing that is right, as my ⁹servant Job hath. So Eliphaz the Temanite and Bildad the Shuhite and Zophar the Naamathite went, and did according as the LORD commanded them: and the LORD accepted Job.

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