Book of Job overview



Have you considered my servant Job? There is none like him in the earth; an upright man. He fears God and forsakes evil.

That's because You have given him so much. Remove his possessions and he will curse You to Your face!





Even though I have stricken Job, he still maintains his integrity.

Touch his flesh and he will curse You to Your face.





I wish I had never been born. The day of my birth is cursed. I wish I were dead.

I have so much grief. The arrows

You've strengthened others, but now you suffer. Bad things don't happen to good people. Can man be more just than God? Seek God and don't hate His correcting. 4:1 - 5:27



Eliphaz



of the Almighty are within me. God, destroy me. Do I lie? I toss all night. Why don't You pardon my sins?

God is just. If you were pure and upright, God would prosper you. The wicked will not prosper.





How can a man be right with God? God is Almighty! I can't be righteous. God is punishing me. I wish I were dead. 9:1 - 10:22

You lie and mock. Search harder and learn to know God. Get yourself far from sin and wickedness. Sinful people are the ones who hope for death.





I know things too. Evil people do prosper. You three don't know what you're talking about. Be quiet. Though God may slay me, I will trust Him. He is my salvation. God, show me my sins. Man's life is short and then he's cut down.

Should a wise man say unwise things? You sin with your words. You don't fear and you restrain your prayers. Your own mouth condemns you. Man is sinful and evil people have pain all their days.





You are horrible comforters! You're supposed to be comforting me. God has delivered me to my enemies. I am in terrible shape, but not because of anything I have done. The grave is my house.

How long before you stop speaking? Are we vile in your site? The evil get destruction. Bad things happen to bad people.



Job

How long will you rip me apart with words? God has removed my glory. I am destroyed. I have no hope. God looks at me like an enemy. Have pity on me, for God's hand has touched me. But I know that my Redeemer lives! Though worms destroy my body, yet in my flesh I shall see God! You should say, "Why do we persecute Job, since we also have sin?" Be afraid of judgement.

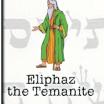
The victory of the wicked is short. God will punish the wicked. 20:1-29





Let me speak, and then mock on. Look at me, and be astonished. Even though evil people reject God, they still prosper. But everyone dies. You aren't comforting me because you're wrong.

Does your goodness benefit God? Aren't your sins infinite? You haven't done everything right. You have done bad things. If you return to God and repent, then you will prosper. God will deliver the innocent.





Oh that I could make my argument to God. I go forward, backward, everywhere, but I can't perceive Him. I have done everything God has commanded, but who can change God's mind? Others do very evil things. Aren't I right? Who can show me to be a liar? 23:1 - 24:25

God is so powerful. How can anyone be justified with God? The stars aren't pure in His sight, never mind a man, who is a worm.





Have you counseled anyone? God has power over creation. Who can understand Him? I will do what is right. The hypocrite has no hope. The wicked's end is not good. How much can you pay for wisdom? It can't be valued. The fear of the LORD is wisdom, and to depart from evil is understanding. Oh, I wish I were like before, when God preserved me. Children of fools mock me. They spit in my face. Didn't I grieve for the poor? Evil came upon me when I was doing right. Punishment is for the wicked. Weigh out my works. I have done right. Oh that I could speak to God and declare my steps.

I didn't speak until now because I am the youngest. I heard you say that you are innocent and that God considers you His enemy. You're wrong about that. God wants men to acknowledge their sin; then He will deliver them. You said that you're righteous, but you aren't. God sees everything. You can't hide sin from God. Job adds rebellion to his sin. Is Job more righteous than God? Job multiplies words without knowledge. God is mighty. He does not preserve the wicked. He takes care of the righteous. If anyone is suffering, it is because God is showing him his wickedness, commanding that they return from their sin. If the wicked turn from their ways, they will spend their days in prosperity. If they don't obey, they will perish by the sword. Consider the wondrous works of God. 32:1 - 37:24





Who is this with words without knowledge? I will ask of you and you will answer Me. Where were you when I created the earth? Do you control creation? Let him answer who reprimands God.

I am vile. I will put my hand on my mouth. 15.1-35





I will demand of you. You answer Me. Will you condemn Me, that you might be righteous? Go ahead, adorn yourself with majesty! If you can do as I do, then I will confess that your right hand can save you. Behold Behemoth! He is mighty. Can you draw out Leviathan with a hook? Who can stand before Me? Everything under heaven is Mine.

You can do everything, and no thought is hidden from You. I have uttered what I do not understand. I hate myself and repent in dust and ashes.





(To Eliphaz) My wrath is against you and your friends, because you didn't speak what was right about Me, as Job has. Make an offering and My servant Job shall pray for you. I will accept him and not deal with you according to your folly.

God blesses Job twice as much as before.

