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Job 4.

1. Eliphaz: Job Has Sinned...

Then Eliphaz the Temanite answered,

- 2 "If someone ventures to talk with you, will you be grieved? But who can withhold himself from speaking?
- 3 Behold, you have instructed many, you have strengthened the weak hands.
- 4 Your words have supported him who was falling, You have made firm the feeble knees.
- 5 But now it has come to you, and you faint. It touches you, and you are troubled.
- 6 Isn't your piety your confidence? Isn't the integrity of your ways your hope?
- 7 "Remember, now, whoever perished, being innocent? Or where were the upright cut off?
- 8 According to what I have seen, those who plow iniquity, and sow trouble, reap the same
- 9 By the breath of ELOHIM they perish. By the blast of his anger are they consumed.
- 10 The roaring of the lion, and the voice of the fierce lion, the teeth of the young lions, are broken.
- 11 The old lion perishes for lack of prey. The cubs of the lioness are scattered abroad.
- 12 "Now a thing was secretly brought to me. My ear received a whisper of it.
- 13 In thoughts from the visions of the night, when deep sleep falls on men,
- 14 fear came on me, and trembling, which made all my bones shake.
- 15 Then a spirit passed before my face. The hair of my flesh stood up.
- 16 It stood still, but I couldn't discern its appearance. A form was before my eyes. Silence, then I heard a voice, saying,
- 17 'Shall mortal man be more just than ELOHIM? Shall a man be more pure than his Maker?
- 18 Behold, he puts no trust in his servants. He charges his angels with error.
- 19 How much more, those who dwell in houses of clay, whose foundation is in the dust, who are crushed before the moth!
- 20 Between morning and evening they are destroyed. They perish forever without any regarding it.
- 21 Isn't their tent cord plucked up within them? They die, and that without wisdom.'

Psalms 94.

1. ELOHIM the Refuge of the Righteous...

YHWH, you ELOHIM to whom vengeance belongs, you ELOHIM to whom vengeance belongs, shine forth.

- 2 Rise up, you judge of the earth. Pay back the proud what they deserve.
- 3 YHWH, how long will the wicked, how long will the wicked triumph?
- 4 They pour out arrogant words. All the evildoers boast.
- 5 They break your people in pieces, YHWH, and afflict your heritage.
- 6 They kill the widow and the alien, and murder the fatherless.
- 7 They say, "YAH will not see, neither will Jacob's ELOHIM consider."
- 8 Consider, you senseless among the people; you fools, when will you be wise?
- 9 He who implanted the ear, won't he hear? He who formed the eye, won't he see?
- 10 He who disciplines the nations, won't he punish? He who teaches man knows.
- 11 YHWH knows the thoughts of man, that they are futile.
- 12 Blessed is the man whom you discipline, YAH, and teach out of your Torah;

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- 13 that you may give him rest from the days of adversity, until the pit is dug for the wicked.
- 14 For YHWH won't reject his people, neither will he forsake his inheritance.
- 15 For judgment will return to righteousness. All the upright in heart shall follow it.
- 16 Who will rise up for me against the wicked? Who will stand up for me against the evildoers?
- 17 Unless YHWH had been my help, my soul would have soon lived in silence.
- 18 When I said, "My foot is slipping!" Your loving kindness, YHWH, held me up.
- 19 In the multitude of my thoughts within me, your comforts delight my soul.
- 20 Shall the throne of wickedness have fellowship with you, which brings about mischief by statute?
- 21 They gather themselves together against the soul of the righteous, and condemn the innocent blood.
- 22 But YHWH has been my high tower, my ELOHIM, the rock of my refuge.
- 23 He has brought on them their own iniquity, and will cut them off in their own wickedness. YHWH, our ELOHIM, will cut them off.

Proverbs 22.

- 1 A good name is more desirable than great riches, and loving favor is better than silver and gold.
- 2 The rich and the poor have this in common: YHWH is the maker of them all.
- 3 A prudent man sees danger, and hides himself; but the simple pass on, and suffer for it.
- 4 The result of humility and the fear of YHWH is wealth, honor, and life.
- 5 Thorns and snares are in the path of the wicked: whoever guards his soul stays from them.
- 6 Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it.
- 7 The rich rule over the poor. The borrower is servant to the lender.
- 8 He who sows wickedness reaps trouble, and the rod of his fury will be destroyed.
- 9 He who has a generous eye will be blessed; for he shares his food with the poor.
- 10 Drive out the mocker, and strife will go out; yes, quarrels and insults will stop.
- 11 He who loves purity of heart and speaks gracefully is the king's friend.
- 12 The eyes of YHWH watch over knowledge; but he frustrates the words of the unfaithful.
- 13 The sluggard says, "There is a lion outside! I will be killed in the streets!"
- 14 The mouth of an adulteress is a deep pit: he who is under YHWH's wrath will fall into it.
- 15 Folly is bound up in the heart of a child: the rod of discipline drives it far from him.
- 16 Whoever oppresses the poor for his own increase and whoever gives to the rich, both come to poverty.

17 . Sayings of the Wise. .

Turn your ear, and listen to the words of the wise. Apply your heart to my teaching.

- 18 For it is a pleasant thing if you keep them within you, if all of them are ready on your lips.
- 19 That your trust may be in YHWH, I teach you today, even you.
- 20 Haven't I written to you thirty excellent things of counsel and knowledge,
- 21 To teach you truth, reliable words, to give sound answers to the ones who sent you?
- 22 Don't exploit the poor, because he is poor; and don't crush the needy in court;
- 23 for YHWH will plead their case, and plunder the life of those who plunder them.

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- 24 Don't befriend a hot-tempered man, and don't associate with one who harbors anger:
- 25 lest you learn his ways, and ensnare your soul.
- 26 Don't you be one of those who strike hands, of those who are collateral for debts.
- 27 If you don't have means to pay, why should he take away your bed from under you?
- 28 Don't move the ancient boundary stone, which your fathers have set up.
- 29 Do you see a man skilled in his work? He will serve kings. He won't serve obscure men.

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