

JOB CHAPTER 34

¹ And Elihu continued and said, ² "Hear me, you wise men; hear me, you that have knowledge. ³ For the ear tests words, and the mouth tastes food. ⁴ Let us choose judgment to ourselves: let us know among ourselves what is right. ⁵ For Job has said, 'I am righteous: the Lord has removed my judgment. ⁶ And He has erred in my judgment: my wound is severe, apart from *any* unrighteousness of my own.' ⁷ What man is like Job, drinking scorning like water? ⁸ *Saying*, 'I have not sinned, nor committed ungodliness, nor had fellowship with workers of iniquity, to go with the ungodly.' ⁹ For you should not say, 'There shall be no visitation of a man,' whereas *there is* a visitation on him from the Lord.

¹⁰ "Therefore listen to me, you that are wise in heart: far be it from me to sin before the Lord, and to pervert righteousness before the Almighty. ¹¹ Indeed, He renders to a man accordingly as each of them does, and in a man's path He will find him. ¹² And do you think that the Lord will do wrong, or will the Almighty who made the earth pervert judgment? ¹³ And who is He that made *the whole world* under heaven, and all things in it? ¹⁴ For if He would confine, and restrain His Spirit with Himself; ¹⁵ all flesh would die together, and every mortal would return to the earth from where he was formed. ¹⁶ Take heed lest He rebuke you: hear this, listen to the voice of words. ¹⁷ Behold then the One that hates iniquities, and that destroys the wicked, who is forever just. ¹⁸ He is ungodly that says to a king, 'You are a transgressor,' *or that says* to princes, 'O most ungodly one.' ¹⁹ *Such a one* as would not reverence the face of an honorable man, neither knows how to give honor to the great, so that they should be respected. ²⁰ But it shall turn out *as* vanity to them, to cry and beseech a man; for they dealt unlawfully, the poor being turned aside *from their right*. ²¹ For He surveys the works of men, and none of what they do has escaped Him. ²² Neither shall there be a place for the workers of iniquity to hide themselves. ²³ For He will not lay upon a man more *than what is right*. ²⁴ For the Lord looks down upon all men, who comprehends unsearchable things, glorious also and excellent things without number. ²⁵ Who discovers their works, and will bring night about upon them, and they shall be brought low. ²⁶ And He destroys the ungodly, for they are seen before Him. ²⁷ Because they turned aside from the law of God, and did not regard His commands, ²⁸ so as to bring before Him the cry of the needy; for He will hear the cry of the poor. ²⁹ And He will give quiet, and who will condemn? And He will hide His face, and who shall see Him? Whether it be done against a nation or against a man, also: ³⁰ causing a hypocrite to be king, because of the waywardness of the people.

³¹ "For there is one that says to the Mighty One, 'I have received *blessings*; I will not take a pledge: ³² I will see apart from myself—show me if I have done unrighteousness; I will not do so anymore.' ³³ Will He take vengeance for it on you, whereas you will put it far *from you*? For you shall choose, and not I; and whatever you know, speak thus. ³⁴ Because the wise in heart shall say this, and a wise man listens to my word. ³⁵ But Job has not spoken with understanding, his words are not *uttered* with knowledge. ³⁶ How is it that you learn, Job: no longer giving answers as the foolish: ³⁷ that we add not to our sins: for iniquity will be reckoned against us, if we speak many words before the Lord."