

Studies in Job
“I Shall Come Forth as Gold”
Job 22-27

“The lamentable fact is that the friends endorsed Satan’s view of Job as a hypocrite. Thinking to defend God, they became Satan’s advocates insisting that he whom God designated as His servant belonged to the devil (Meredith Kline).

I. Eliphaz’s Third Speech (22)

- A. Eliphaz attacks Job’s integrity (22:1-11)

- B. Eliphaz accuses Job of blasphemy (22:12-20)

- C. Eliphaz exhorts Job repent so God can bless him (22:21-30)

II. Bildad’s Third Speech (25)

- A. Human beings cannot be righteous with God.

- B. He is regurgitating Eliphaz’s speeches (4, 15).

- C. Short and sweet! A first for everything!

III. Job’s Reply to Eliphaz (23-24)

- A. If I knew how to find Him, I would make my case (1-7)

- B. I cannot find Him, but He knows me (8-12)

*This lsection (10-12) is vital for the depressed person.

- C. God is Big and Scary (13-17)
- D. God doesn't seem to judge the wicked (24:1-17)
- E. Confusion (24:18-25)

IV. Job's Reply to Bildad (26)

- A. Job's sarcasm (1-4)
- B. God is more awesome than you know! (6-14)

V. Job Continues His Discourse (27)

Job 27 is the conclusion to the dialogue as a whole and an indictment against his friends and the wicked.

- A. I will maintain my integrity until I die (1-6)
- B. I will teach you about God's power (7-12)
- C. God does fry the wicked (13-23)

Conclusion

“In the grip of the mystery of God's providential dealings with us, this is the very acme and apex of faith.” John Murray