

Job #31 (chapter 36)

Vs 1-4 are introduction - V. 2- Wants Job to allow him to continue (he does)

V. 2- We should always seek to speak on God's behalf

V. 3- Not speak of ordinary things-but things deeply considered-Ps. 78:2, 3

V. 3 - He will ascribe righteous to His Maker - Rom. 3:4; Ps. 51:4

Also be careful not to murmur against His judgments- Ph.2:14; Jer. 12:1

V. 3-My Maker- "One who does"-God's works creation & providence

V. 4- Speaks truth (Eph.4:15; Zech. 8:19) true word of God- 1 Thess. 2:13

"One perfect in knowledge is with you"- Perhaps referring to God or Elihu

I. Let us Look in Particular at Verses 5 and 6

A. V. 5- God's attributes- First His might, Power or omnipotence - Lu. 1:49

1. Two kinds of power- Strength and authority - God has both

a. Ps. 62:11; 22:8; Is. 40:28; Ps. 115:3; Is. 14:27; Dan. 4:35; Pr. 8:15

b. Authority to decree, and power to bring about His decrees

B. And does not despise any- This makes power perfect- not abused

C. V. 5- Strength of Understanding- He is as wise as He is Strong

1. This understanding perfectly balances His power

2. He knows all things including future- Heb. 4:13; Is. 41:21-23; 46:9, 10

3. Not only knows- but perfectly applies that- We call it wisdom

a. Ps. 104:24; Rom. 16:27 - His is the only Wise One-Is. 55:8, 9

1. Any wisdom we have is derived from him- Is. 28:26; Dan. 2:21

2. If we lack wisdom go to Him-Jm. 1:5-not trust our own-Pr. 3:5, 6

D. V. 6- God doesn't "enliven" the wicked in their wickedness

1. Only the righteous can expect God's protection-Ps. 84:11; 2 Pet. 2:9

2. Wicked perish where God supernaturally protects righteous

a. 3 Hebrew children- Dan. 3:22; Daniel- Daniel 6:24

E. V. 6- God is often shown on the side of the afflicted -Psalm 140:12

II. Then Let us Look at Verses 7 - 12

A. V. 7- Word withdraw means "diminish"- Ex. 21:10; Deut. 4:2; Ex. 5:8

1. Lord's care over us is never diminished or weakened

B. "His eyes"-not literal but speaks of God's watchfulness - -Ps. 34:15

1. In one sense sees both the righteous and wicked-Pr. 15:3; Heb. 4:13

2. But God's care is particularly over righteous- Ps. 121:4; Ps. 32:8

a. He always sees them- Ex. 3:7; Is. 49:16; Is. 27:3; Heb.13:5

3. Gen. 22:14 - Jehovah Jireh- "The Lord Sees" (2 Chron. 16:9)

C. V. 7 - He will set them as Kings - God will exalt us and exalt us forever

1. Rev. 1:6; Rev. 2:26, 27; Psalm 113:7, 8

D. Vs. 8-12-God uses affliction to teach righteous-make us repent (V. 15)

1. In affliction we can see our sins better - Gen. 42:21, 22

2. If we listen, we will live - if not we will die- Ezek. 3:19- 21

III. Let Us Look at Verses 24 and 25

A. We are to remember to extol God's works: and also to sing of them

1. Also commanded to remember Him in Lord's supper

2. Remember all His works- All day long

a. His works of Creation, Providence, and Redemption)

B. V. 25- They can behold them from afar off -Rom. 1:19, 20; Ps. 19:1-4