

Part 15 – The Sovereignty of Our God-The Book of Job
The Court Case of Job vs God continued

Job 10:1-22

Isaiah 55:8-11 “For My thoughts are not your thoughts,
Nor are your ways My ways,” declares the Lord.

⁹ “For as the heavens are higher than the earth,
So are My ways higher than your ways
And My thoughts than your thoughts.

¹⁰ “For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven,
And do not return there without watering the earth
And making it bear and sprout,

And furnishing seed to the sower and bread to the eater;

¹¹ So will My word be which goes forth from My mouth;
It will not return to Me empty,

Without accomplishing what I desire,

And without succeeding in the matter for which I sent it.

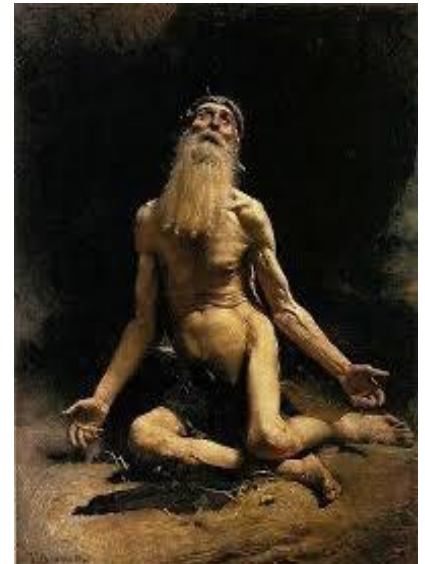
Job 10 ¹ “I loathe my own life;

I will give full vent to **my complaint**;

I will speak in the bitterness of my soul.

² “**I will** say to God, ‘Do not **condemn me**;

Let me know why You **contend** with me.



literally "do not declare me guilty."

Contend can again be translated: "plead my case"

argue (2), complain (2), contend (22), contended (9), contends (1), dispute (1), ever strive (1), filed (1), find fault (1), have a quarrel (1), judge (1), plead (9), plead my case (1), plead your case (1), pleaded (2), pleads (1), quarrel (2), quarreled (3), quarrels (1), reprimanded (2), strive (1), vigorously plead (1).

meaning "to dispute; to contend; to strive; to quarrel"—often in the legal sense. The precise words chosen in this verse show that the setting is legal. The imperfect verb here is progressive, expressing what is currently going on.

³ 'Is it right for You indeed to oppress,
To reject the labor of Your hands,

And to look favorably on the schemes of the wicked?

Some translation translate "Favourably as "shine." In this context the expression "you shine upon" would mean "have a glowing expression," be radiant, or smile.

⁴ 'Have You eyes of flesh?

Or do You see as a man sees?

1 Samuel 16:6-7 When they entered, he looked at Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is before Him." ⁷ But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look at his appearance or at the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; **for God sees not as man sees, for man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.**"

⁵ Are Your days as the days of a mortal,
Or Your years as man's years,

2 Peter 3:7-8 But by His word the present heavens and earth are **being reserved for fire, kept for the day of judgment and destruction of ungodly men.**

⁸ **But do not let this one fact escape your notice**, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years like one day.

Job 10:6ff

⁶ That You should seek for my guilt
And search after my sin?

⁷ According to Your knowledge **I am indeed not guilty**,
Yet there is no deliverance from Your hand.

⁸ `Your hands fashioned and made me altogether,
And would You destroy me?

⁹ `Remember now, that You have made me as clay;
And would You turn me into dust again?

¹⁰ `Did You not pour me out like milk
And curdle me like cheese;

¹¹ Clothe me with skin and flesh,
And knit me together with bones and sinews?

¹² `You have granted me life and lovingkindness;
And Your care has preserved my spirit.

¹³ `Yet **these things** You have concealed in Your heart;
I know that **this** is within You:

¹⁴ **If I sin**, then You would take note of me,
And would not acquit me of my guilt.

¹⁵ `**If I am** wicked, woe to me!
And **if I am** righteous, **I dare not lift up my head.**
I am sated with disgrace and conscious of my misery.

I dare not lift up my head.....The lifting of the head was a sign of pride.

¹⁶ `**Should my head be lifted up**, You would hunt me like a lion;
And again You would show Your power against me.

¹⁷ **'You renew Your witnesses against me**

And increase Your anger toward me;

Hardship after hardship is with me.

¹⁸ 'Why then have You brought me out of the womb?

Would that I had died and no eye had seen me!

¹⁹ 'I should have been as though I had not been,

Carried from womb to tomb.'

²⁰ "Would He not let my few days alone?

Withdraw from me that I may have a little cheer

²¹ Before I go—and I shall not return—

To the land of darkness and deep shadow,

²² The land of utter gloom as darkness itself,

Of deep shadow without order,

And which shines as the darkness."

Romans 9:14-23 What shall we say then? There is no injustice with God, is there? May it never be! ¹⁵ For He says to Moses, "I will have mercy on whom I have mercy, and **I will** have compassion **on whom I** have compassion." ¹⁶ So then it does not depend on the man who wills or the man who runs, **but on God who has mercy.**

¹⁷ For the Scripture says to Pharaoh, "**For this very purpose I raised you up, to demonstrate My power in you, and that** My name might be proclaimed throughout the whole earth." ¹⁸ So then **He has mercy on whom He desires,** and **He hardens whom He desires.**

¹⁹ You will say to me then, “Why does He still find fault? For who resists His will?”

²⁰ **On the contrary, who are you, O man, who answers back to God?** The thing molded **will not say** to the molder, “Why did you make me like this,” will it? ²¹ **Or does not the potter have a right over the clay,** to make from the same lump **one vessel for honorable use** and **another for common use?**

²² What if God, although willing **to demonstrate His wrath** and to **make His power known,** **endured with much patience** **vessels of wrath prepared for destruction?**

²³ **And He did so to make known the riches of His glory upon vessels of mercy, which He prepared beforehand for glory,**