

**Part 43 – The Sovereignty of Our God-The Book of Job  
Elihu and HIS Fundamentals .....continued Part 4**

**Job 35:1-16**

**Job 2:1-3** Again there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan also came among them to present himself before the Lord. <sup>2</sup> The Lord said to Satan, "Where have you come from?" Then Satan answered the Lord and said, "From roaming about on the earth and walking around on it."

<sup>3</sup> The Lord said to Satan, "Have you considered My servant Job? For there is no one like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man fearing God and turning away from evil. And he still holds fast his integrity,

**although you incited Me against him to ruin him without cause."**



**Job 33:12-13** Behold, let me tell you, you are not right in this, For God is greater than man.

<sup>13</sup> "Why do you complain against Him

**That He does not give an account of all His doings?**

**Job 1:9-10** Then Satan answered the Lord, "Does Job fear God for nothing?

<sup>10</sup> Have **You not made a hedge about him** and his house and all that he has, on every side? You have blessed the work of his hands, and his possessions have increased in the land.

**Romans 9:18-23** So then He has mercy on **whom He desires**, and He hardens **whom He desires**. <sup>19</sup> You will say to me then, "Why does He still find fault? For who resists His will?" <sup>20</sup> 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? <sup>21</sup> 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**? <sup>22</sup> 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? <sup>23</sup> And **He did so to make known** the riches of His glory upon vessels of mercy, which He prepared beforehand for glory,

**Romans 2:4-11** Or do you think lightly **of the riches of His kindness and tolerance and patience**, not knowing that the kindness of God leads you to repentance? <sup>5</sup> **But because of your stubbornness and unrepentant heart you are storing up wrath for yourself in the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God,** <sup>6</sup> **who will render to each person according to his deeds:**

<sup>7</sup> **to those who by perseverance in doing good seek for glory and honor and immortality,** *(The Greek noun for "imperishability" is (aphtharsia)* **eternal life;**  
<sup>8</sup> **BUT** to those who are **selfishly ambitious and do not obey the truth,** but obey unrighteousness, wrath and indignation. <sup>9</sup> There will be tribulation and distress for every soul of man who does evil, of the Jew first and also of the Greek, <sup>10</sup> but glory and honor and peace to everyone who does good, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. <sup>11</sup> For there is no partiality with God.

*Only God is immortal:*

***1 Timothy 6:15-16*** *which He will bring about at the proper time—***He who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords,** <sup>16</sup> ***who alone possesses immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no man has seen or can see. To Him be honor and eternal dominion! Amen.***

**Matthew 11:11** Truly I say to you, among those born of women there has not arisen anyone greater than John the Baptist! Yet the one who is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.

**1. Don't think that our trials, will change the will of God.**

**Verses 1-2**

**2. Our own conduct cannot change the will of God.**

**Verses 3-8**

**3. Our pleading to God does NOT change the will of God.**

**Verses 9-16**

**Hebrews 12:9-11** Furthermore, we had earthly fathers to discipline us, and we respected them; shall we not much rather be subject to the Father of spirits, and live? <sup>10</sup> For they disciplined us for a short time as seemed best to them, but **He disciplines us for our good, so that we may share His holiness.**

<sup>11</sup> All discipline for the moment seems **not to be joyful, but sorrowful**; yet to those who have **been trained by it, afterwards it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness.**

**2 Corinthians 12:8-10** Concerning this I implored the Lord three times that it might leave me. <sup>9</sup> And He has said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, **for power is perfected in weakness.**" Most gladly, therefore, I will rather boast about my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. <sup>10</sup> Therefore **I am well content** with weaknesses, with insults, with distresses, with persecutions, with difficulties, for Christ's sake; **for when I am weak, then I am strong.**

**1. Don't think that our trials, will change the will of God.**

**Verses 1-2**

**Job 35** <sup>1</sup> Then Elihu continued and said,

<sup>2</sup> "Do **you think this is according to justice?**

Do **you say**, 'My righteousness is more than God's'?

**2. Your conduct cannot change the will of God.**

**Verses 3-8**

<sup>3</sup> "For you say, 'What **advantage** will it be to **You?**

*Understood to be God*

What profit will I have, more than if I had sinned?'

<sup>4</sup> "**I** will **answer** you,

*"I" -emphatic pronoun, focus is Elihu*

And your **friends** with you.

*All included*

<sup>5</sup> "Look at the heavens and see;

And behold the clouds—**they are higher than you.**

<sup>6</sup> "If **you** have sinned, what do **you** accomplish against Him?

And if **your** transgressions are many, what do **you** do to Him?

<sup>7</sup> "If you are righteous, what do you give to Him,  
Or what does He receive from your hand?

<sup>8</sup> "Your wickedness is for a man like yourself,  
And your righteousness is for a son of man.

**3. Our pleading or crying out to God does NOT change the will of  
God. Verses 9-16**

**Job 30:20** "I cry out to You for help, but You do not answer me;  
I stand up, and You turn Your attention against me.

**Job 19:7** Behold, I cry, 'Violence!' but I get no answer; I shout for help,  
but there is no justice.

Job 35: <sup>9</sup> "Because of the multitude of oppressions they cry out;  
**They cry for help** because of the arm of the mighty.

<sup>10</sup> "But no one says, 'Where is God my Maker,  
**Who gives songs in the night,**

<sup>11</sup> **Who teaches us** more than the beasts of the earth  
**And makes us** wiser than the birds of the heavens?'

<sup>12</sup> **“There they cry out, but He does not answer  
Because of the pride of evil men.**

<sup>13</sup> “Surely God will not listen to **an empty cry,**  
Nor will the Almighty regard it.

**Luke 18:9-14** And He also told this parable to some people **who trusted in  
themselves** that they were righteous, and viewed others with contempt: <sup>10</sup>

“Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax  
collector.

<sup>11</sup> The Pharisee stood and was praying this to himself: ‘God, **I** thank You that **I**  
am not like other people: swindlers, unjust, adulterers, **or even like this tax  
collector.** <sup>12</sup> **I** fast twice a week; **I** pay tithes of all that **I** get.’

<sup>13</sup> But the tax collector, standing some distance away, was even unwilling to lift  
up his eyes to heaven, but was beating his breast, saying, ‘God, be merciful to  
me, the sinner!’

<sup>14</sup> I tell you, **this man went to his house justified rather than the other;  
for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but he who humbles  
himself will be exalted.”**

**Job 35:** <sup>13</sup> “Surely God will not listen to an **empty cry,**  
Nor will the Almighty regard it.

*one of pride*

<sup>14</sup> "How much less when **you say you** do not behold Him,  
The case is before Him, and **you** must wait for Him!

<sup>15</sup> "And now, because **He** has not visited in His anger,  
Nor has **He** acknowledged transgression well,

*God*

<sup>16</sup> So Job opens his mouth emptily;  
He multiplies words without knowledge."

Summary:

- 1. Don't think that our trials, will change the will of God.**
- 2. Our own conduct cannot change the will of God.**
- 3. Our pleading to God does NOT change the will of God.**