# Part 51 — The Sovereignty of Our God-The Book of Job The Creator's Confrontation of Job- Part 4- WHO not WHY

Job 38:22-41

**Job 35:9-16** Because of the multitude of oppressions they **cry** out;

They **cry** for help because of the arm of the mighty.

10 "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?'



#### 3. God's complete dominion over His creation 12-38

<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.

14 "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,

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

Job 1:3 and that man was the greatest of all the men of the east.

### **Chapter 38 Scope - 4 main sections:**

- 1. God's divine characteristics verses 1-4
- 2. God's creative power and abilities 5-11
- 3. God's complete dominion over His creation 12-38
- 4. God's care over the animal kingdom verses 39-41

Job 38:22-23 Have you entered the storehouses of the snow,
Or have you seen the storehouses of the hail,

23 Which I have reserved for the time of distress,
For the day of war and battle?

(see Joshua 10:11; Isaiah 28:17; Isaiah 30:30; Psalm 18:12, 13 The Revelation 16:21ff). Quote from a legal web site:

"Now what is the most important factor in deciding whether to prosecute?

a) Most important factor in deciding whether to prosecute is not the prosecutor's belief in the guilt of the suspect, but whether there is sufficient evidence for conviction. If prosecutors have strong physical evidence and a number of reliable and believable witnesses, they are quite likely to prosecute."

Job 38:4 "Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?

Tell Me, if you have understanding,

Job 38:<sup>24</sup> "Where is the way that the light is divided,
Or the east wind scattered on the earth?
<sup>25</sup> "Who has cleft a channel for the flood,
Or a way for the thunderbolt,
<sup>26</sup> To bring rain on a land without people,
On a desert without a man in it,
<sup>27</sup> To satisfy the waste and desolate land
And to make the seeds of grass to sprout?

**Or who has** begotten the drops of dew?

29 "From **whose** womb has come the ice?

And the frost of heaven, **who has** given it birth?

<sup>28</sup> "Has the rain a father?

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> "Water becomes hard like stone,

And the surface of the deep is imprisoned.

<sup>31</sup> "Can you bind the chains of the Pleiades,

Or loose the cords of **Orion?** 

Quote: The Pleiades are an asterism, or pattern of stars, as well as an open star cluster, made up of more than 1,000 stars. They are located in the constellation Taurus and are about 410 light-years from Earth.

Orion is a prominent constellation during winter in the northern celestial hemisphere.

#### Amos 5:8-9 He who made the Pleiades and Orion

And changes deep darkness into morning,

**Who** also darkens day into night,

**Who** calls for the waters of the sea

And pours them out on the surface of the earth,

The Lord is His name.

<sup>9</sup> It is **He who** flashes forth with destruction upon the strong, So that destruction comes upon the fortress.

**Job 38:** <sup>32</sup> "Can you lead forth a constellation in its season,

And guide the **Bear with her satellites**?

<sup>33</sup> "**Do you know** the ordinances of the heavens,

Or fix their rule over the earth?

<sup>34</sup> "**Can you** lift up your voice to the clouds, So that an abundance of water will cover you?

35 "Can you send forth lightnings that they may go
And say to you, 'Here we are'?
36 "Who has put wisdom in the innermost being
Or given understanding to the mind?

Who can count the clouds by wisdom,
Or tip the water jars of the heavens,
When the dust hardens into a mass
And the clods stick together?

#### 4. God's care and dominion over the animal kingdom verses 39-41

<sup>39</sup> "**Can you** hunt the prey for the lion, Or satisfy the appetite of the young lions, <sup>40</sup> When they crouch in their dens And lie in wait in their lair?

41 "Who prepares for the raven its nourishment

When its young cry to God
And wander about without food?

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