

Job 1:4

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And his sons went and feasted in their houses, every one his day; and sent and called for their three sisters to eat and to drink with them.

Analysis

This verse establishes Job's family unity and prosperity before calamity strikes. The Hebrew 'yom' (day) suggests regular, rotating celebrations among the siblings, demonstrating covenant faithfulness in family relationships. This pattern of fellowship foreshadows both the communion of saints and the eschatological wedding feast, while also setting the stage for God's sovereign testing of Job's faith through the removal of these very blessings.

Historical Context

In patriarchal times, such feasting reflected not mere indulgence but covenant renewal within extended families. Job lived during the patriarchal era (circa 2000 BC), before the Mosaic Law, when family heads served as priests.

Related Passages

Colossians 1:16 — All things created through Christ

Genesis 1:1 — Creation of heavens and earth

Study Questions

1. How does the pattern of Job's family fellowship reflect your own commitment to Christian community?
2. In what ways might God test your faith by removing blessings you take for granted?

Interlinear Text

וַיֵּלֶךְ וְבָנָיו וְעַשְׂרֵה בָּנָיו
went And his sons H6213 and feasted in their houses every one his day
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וְשָׁלַח וְאֶתְּקָרְאוּ לְשֵׁלֶת שְׁתִּים אֶתְּקָרְאוּ וְלִשְׁתָּה וְתַּלְאֵךְ
and sent and called for their three sisters to eat and to drink
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Additional Cross-References

Hebrews 13:1 (Parallel theme): Let brotherly love continue.

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