Job 14

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Job Continues: Man Born of Woman Has Few Days

- ¹ Man that is born of a woman is of few days, and full of trouble.
- ² He cometh forth like a flower, and is cut down: he fleeth also as a shadow, and continueth not.
- ³ And dost thou open thine eyes upon such an one, and bringest me into judgment with thee?
- ⁴ Who can bring a clean thing out of an unclean? not one.
- ⁵ Seeing his days are determined, the number of his months are with thee, thou hast appointed his bounds that he cannot pass;
- ⁶ Turn from him, that he may rest, till he shall accomplish, as an hireling, his day.
- ⁷ For there is hope of a tree, if it be cut down, that it will sprout again, and that the tender branch thereof will not cease.
- ⁸ Though the root thereof wax old in the earth, and the stock thereof die in the ground;
- 9 Yet through the scent of water it will bud, and bring forth boughs like a plant.
- ¹⁰ But man dieth, and wasteth away: yea, man giveth up the ghost, and where is he?
- 11 As the waters fail from the sea, and the flood decayeth and drieth up:
- ¹² So man lieth down, and riseth not: till the heavens be no more, they shall not awake, nor be raised out of their sleep.

- 13 O that thou wouldest hide me in the grave, that thou wouldest keep me secret, until thy wrath be past, that thou wouldest appoint me a set time, and remember me!
- 14 If a man die, shall he live again? all the days of my appointed time will I wait, till my change come.
- ¹⁵ Thou shalt call, and I will answer thee: thou wilt have a desire to the work of thine hands.
- ¹⁶ For now thou numberest my steps: dost thou not watch over my sin?
- ¹⁷ My transgression is sealed up in a bag, and thou sewest up mine iniquity.
- ¹⁸ And surely the mountain falling cometh to nought, and the rock is removed out of his place.
- ¹⁹ The waters wear the stones: thou washest away the things which grow out of the dust of the earth; and thou destroyest the hope of man.
- ²⁰ Thou prevailest for ever against him, and he passeth: thou changest his countenance, and sendest him away.
- ²¹ His sons come to honour, and he knoweth it not; and they are brought low, but he perceiveth it not of them.
- $^{\rm 22}$ But his flesh upon him shall have pain, and his soul within him shall mourn.

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Heaven — שַׁמֵּים (Shamayim)

Heaven, sky

The Hebrew **shamayim** (שְׁמֵּיִם) means heaven or sky—God's dwelling place and the realm above earth. 'The heaven, even the heavens, are the LORD's' (Psalm 115:16), yet 'the heaven of heavens cannot contain Him' (1 Kings 8:27).

Hope — תָקוַה (Tikvah)

Hope, expectation

The Hebrew **tikvah** (תַּקְוָה) means hope or expectation—confident trust in God's promises. 'Happy is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help, whose hope is in the LORD his God' (Psalm 146:5).

Iniquity — עון (Avon)

Iniquity, guilt, punishment

The Hebrew **avon** ($\mu\nu$) encompasses iniquity, guilt, and its punishment—the twisted nature of sin. 'The LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all' (Isaiah 53:6), Christ bearing our guilt and penalty.

Judgment — מִשְׁפֵּט (Mishpat)

Judgment, justice

The Hebrew **mishpat** (מִשְׁפֵּט) means judgment or justice—God's righteous decisions and ordinances. God is the Judge of all the earth who 'shall do right' (Genesis 18:25), executing perfect justice.

Sin — חַטָּאת (Chatta'ah)

Sin, missing the mark

The Hebrew **chatta'ah** (חַפָּאת) means sin—missing the mark of God's standard. It encompasses rebellion, transgression, and falling short of divine holiness.

Transgression — פָשַע (Pesha)

Transgression, rebellion

The Hebrew **pesha** (פָשֵׁע) means transgression or rebellion—willful violation of God's law. It implies deliberate revolt against divine authority: 'he was wounded for our transgressions' (Isaiah 53:5).

Wrath — אף (Aph)

Wrath, anger

The Hebrew aph (neg New 1) literally means 'nose' or 'nostrils,' idiomatically expressing wrath or anger —God's righteous indignation against sin. Yet God is 'slow to anger' (Exodus 34:6) and 'abundant in mercy.'

CROSS REFERENCES

Job 14:1

Parallel theme: Job 5:7; 7:1; 7:6; 9:25; 15:14; 25:4; Genesis 47:9; Psalms 39:5; 51:5; Ecclesiastes 2:23

- **Job 14:2** Parallel theme: Job 8:9; 1 Chronicles 29:15; Psalms 92:7; 92:12; 102:11; 144:4; Ecclesiastes 8:13; James 4:14; 1 Peter 1:24
- **Job 14:3** Parallel theme: Psalms 8:4; 144:3. **Judgment:** Psalms 143:2
- **Job 14:4** Parallel theme: Job 15:14; Psalms 51:5; John 3:6; Romans 5:12; Ephesians 2:3

Job 14:5

Parallel theme: Job 7:1; 12:10; 21:21; Psalms 39:4; 104:9; 104:29; Daniel 5:26; Luke 12:20; Acts 17:26; Hebrews 9:27

- **Job 14:6 Parallel theme:** Job 7:19; Psalms 39:13
- **Job 14:7** Parallel theme: Job 14:14; Isaiah 11:1; 27:6. Hope: Job 19:10
- **Job 14:8** Parallel theme: 1 Corinthians 15:36
- **Job 14:10** Parallel theme: Job 14:12; 19:26. **Spirit:** Genesis 49:33
- **Job 14:11 Parallel theme:** Isaiah 19:5
- **Job 14:12** Parallel theme: Job 3:13; 30:23; Isaiah 51:6; 65:17; Acts 3:21; 2 Peter 3:7; Revelation 20:11; 21:1. **Resurrection:** Isaiah 26:19; Ephesians 5:14
- **Job 14:13** Parallel theme: Genesis 8:1; Psalms 106:4; Isaiah 12:1; Mark 13:32; Luke 23:42; Acts 1:7. **Judgment:** Acts 17:31
- **Job 14:14** Parallel theme: Job 7:1; 13:15; 14:5; 42:16; Psalms 27:14; Acts 26:8; Philippians 3:21; Revelation 20:13
- **Job 14:15** Parallel theme: Job 7:21; 10:3; 10:8; 13:22; Psalms 138:8; 1 Thessalonians 4:17; 1 Peter 4:19

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Sin: Job 10:6. Parallel theme: Job 31:4; 33:11; 34:21; Proverbs 5:21; Jeremiah 32:19

Job 14:17 Parallel theme: Deuteronomy 32:34. Sin: Hosea 13:12

Job 14:18 Parallel theme: Job 18:4; Jeremiah 4:24; Revelation 6:14

Job 14:21 Parallel theme: Ecclesiastes 9:5; Isaiah 63:16

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