

# Job 16:2

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

I have heard many such things: miserable comforters are ye all.

## Analysis

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Job's frustration peaks: 'I have heard many such things: miserable comforters are ye all!' This labels the friends' theology as anti-comfort. Their attempts to explain suffering increase rather than decrease Job's misery. Presence without answers would serve better.

## Historical Context

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Ancient friendship obligations included comfort in distress. Job's label 'miserable comforters' indicts the friends' covenant failure - they add affliction rather than relief.

## Related Passages

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**Romans 1:17** — The righteous shall live by faith

**Hebrews 11:1** — Definition of faith

## Study Questions

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1. When has theological explanation made suffering worse rather than better?
2. What makes someone a 'miserable comforter' despite good intentions?

## Interlinear Text

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<b>I have heard</b>	H428	<b>many such things</b>	<b>comforters</b>	<b>miserable</b>	H3605
H8085		H7227	H5162	H5999	

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