Job 26

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Job's Reply: God's Power and Wisdom

- ¹ But Job answered and said,
- ² How hast thou helped him that is without power? how savest thou the arm that hath no strength?
- ³ How hast thou counselled him that hath no wisdom? and how hast thou plentifully declared the thing as it is?
- ⁴ To whom hast thou uttered words? and whose spirit came from thee?
- $^{5}\,$ Dead things are formed from under the waters, and the inhabitants thereof.
- ⁶ Hell is naked before him, and destruction hath no covering.
- He stretcheth out the north over the empty place, and hangeth the earth upon nothing.
- 8 He bindeth up the waters in his thick clouds; and the cloud is not rent under them.
- ⁹ He holdeth back the face of his throne, and spreadeth his cloud upon it.
- 10 He hath compassed the waters with bounds, until the day and night come to an end.
- ¹¹ The pillars of heaven tremble and are astonished at his reproof.
- 12 He divideth the sea with his power, and by his understanding he smiteth through the proud.

- By his spirit he hath garnished the heavens; his hand hath formed the crooked serpent.
- 14 Lo, these are parts of his ways: but how little a portion is heard of him? but the thunder of his power who can understand?

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Heaven — שָׁמֵים (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).

Save — יַשַע (Yasha)

To save, deliver, rescue

The Hebrew **yasha** (יָשַׁע) means to save or deliver—rescue from danger or distress. This is the root of 'Jesus' (Yeshua), meaning 'YHWH saves.' God alone is Savior: 'I, even I, am the LORD; and beside me there is no saviour' (Isaiah 43:11).

Spirit — חַחַ (Ruach)

Spirit, wind, breath

The Hebrew **ruach** (חרת) means spirit, wind, or breath—invisible but powerful. It describes both the Holy Spirit and the human spirit. God's Spirit gives life and empowers His people.

CROSS REFERENCES

Job 26:4 Spirit: Job 20:3; 32:18; Ecclesiastes 12:7; 1 Corinthians 12:3

Job 26:5 Parallel theme: Genesis 6:4; Psalms 88:10

Job 26:6 Parallel theme: Job 28:22; Psalms 139:8; Proverbs 15:11; Amos 9:2; Hebrews 4:13

Job 26:7 Parallel theme: Job 9:8; Psalms 24:2; Isaiah 40:22; 40:26; 42:5

Job 26:8 Parallel theme: Proverbs 30:4; Isaiah 5:6; Jeremiah 10:13

Job 26:9 Parallel theme: Job 22:14; Psalms 97:2

Job 26:10 Parallel theme: Psalms 33:7; Proverbs 8:29; Jeremiah 5:22

Job 26:11 Parallel theme: 1 Samuel 2:8

Job 26:12 Parallel theme: Job 9:13; 12:13; Isaiah 51:9; 51:15; Jeremiah 31:35

Job 26:13 Parallel theme: Isaiah 27:1. Spirit: Psalms 104:30

Job 26:14 Parallel theme: Job 4:12; 36:29; 40:9; 1 Samuel 2:10; Psalms 29:3; 139:6; 145:3;

Romans 11:33

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