

Job 26:2

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

How hast thou helped him that is without power? how savest thou the arm that hath no strength?

Analysis

Job's sarcastic response: 'How hast thou helped him that is without power? how savest thou the arm that hath no strength?' This mocks the friends' useless counsel. Their words provide no actual help to one truly powerless and weak. Theology that doesn't comfort fails its purpose.

Historical Context

Ancient Near Eastern wisdom emphasized practical help alongside theoretical knowledge. Job's sarcasm reveals the friends' failure to provide either.

Related Passages

1 Corinthians 13:4 — Characteristics of love

John 15:13 — Greatest form of love

Colossians 1:16 — All things created through Christ

Psalms 19:1 — Heavens declare God's glory

Study Questions

1. When has theological correctness failed to provide practical comfort?
2. How do you ensure your spiritual counsel actually helps the powerless?

Interlinear Text

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H4100	How hast thou helped	that hath no	him that is without power	how savest
	H5826	H3808	H3581	H3467
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thou the arm	that hath no	strength		
H2220	H3808	H5797		

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