

Job 35

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Elihu's Third Speech: Does Your Sin Affect God?

- 1** Elihu spake moreover, and said,
 - 2** Thinkest thou this to be right, that thou saidst, My righteousness is more than God's?
 - 3** For thou saidst, What advantage will it be unto thee? and, What profit shall I have, if I be cleansed from my sin?
 - 4** I will answer thee, and thy companions with thee.
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- 5** Look unto the heavens, and see; and behold the clouds which are higher than thou.
 - 6** If thou sinnest, what doest thou against him? or if thy transgressions be multiplied, what doest thou unto him?
 - 7** If thou be righteous, what givest thou him? or what receiveth he of thine hand?
 - 8** Thy wickedness may hurt a man as thou art; and thy righteousness may profit the son of man.
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- 9** By reason of the multitude of oppressions they make the oppressed to cry: they cry out by reason of the arm of the mighty.
 - 10** But none saith, Where is God my maker, who giveth songs in the night;
 - 11** Who teacheth us more than the beasts of the earth, and maketh us wiser than the fowls of heaven?

12 There they cry, but none giveth answer, because of the pride of evil men.

13 Surely God will not hear vanity, neither will the Almighty regard it.

14 Although thou sayest thou shalt not see him, yet judgment is before him; therefore trust thou in him.

15 But now, because it is not so, he hath visited in his anger; yet he knoweth it not in great extremity:

16 Therefore doth Job open his mouth in vain; he multiplieth words without knowledge.

HEBREW & GREEK WORD STUDIES

God — אֱלֹהִים (Elohim)

God (plural of majesty)

The Hebrew **Elohim** (אֱלֹהִים) is a plural form denoting majesty and fullness of deity. Though grammatically plural, it takes singular verbs when referring to the one true God, suggesting the Trinity's plurality within unity.

Heaven — שָׁמַיִם (Shamayim)

Heaven, sky

The Hebrew **shamayim** (שָׁמַיִם) 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).

Justify — צַדִּיק (Tsadaq)

To be righteous, declare righteous

The Hebrew **tsadaq** (צַדִּיק) means to be righteous or to declare righteous—a legal verdict of innocence. Abraham 'believed in the LORD; and he counted it to him for righteousness' (Genesis 15:6).

Righteous — צַדִּיק (Tzaddik)

Righteous one

The Hebrew **tzaddik** (צַדִּיק) describes one who is righteous, just, or lawful—conforming to God's standard. From the root tzedek (צֶדֶק), meaning righteousness or justice.

Sin — חַטָּאת (Chatta'ah)

Sin, missing the mark

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

Transgression — פֶּשָׁע (Pesha)

Transgression, rebellion

The Hebrew **pesha** (פֶּשָׁע) 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).

CROSS REFERENCES

Job 35:3 **Parallel theme:** Job 34:9

Job 35:4 **Parallel theme:** Job 34:8; Proverbs 13:20

Job 35:5 **Parallel theme:** Job 22:12; Isaiah 55:9; Nahum 1:3

Job 35:6 **Sin:** Proverbs 8:36. **Parallel theme:** Jeremiah 7:19

Job 35:7

Parallel theme: 1 Chronicles 29:14; Psalms 16:2; Proverbs 9:12; Luke 17:10; Romans 11:35

Job 35:9 **Parallel theme:** Job 34:28; Exodus 2:23

Job 35:10 **References God:** Psalms 42:8; Isaiah 54:5; Acts 16:25; 1 Peter 4:19. **Parallel theme:** Job 36:13; Psalms 77:6; 149:5; Ecclesiastes 12:1; Isaiah 51:13

Job 35:11 **Parallel theme:** Job 32:8; 36:22; Genesis 1:26; 2:7; Psalms 94:12

Job 35:12 **Parallel theme:** Proverbs 1:28; John 9:31

Job 35:13 **Parallel theme:** Proverbs 15:29; Isaiah 1:15; Jeremiah 11:11; James 4:3

Job 35:14 **Parallel theme:** Job 9:11

Job 35:15 **Parallel theme:** Psalms 89:32

Job 35:16 **Word:** Job 38:2

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