

# Job 40:18

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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## Analysis

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"His bones are as strong pieces of brass; his bones are like bars of iron." The comparison to brass (nechushshah, נְחוֹשֶׁת) and iron (barzel, בַּרְזֶל) emphasizes skeletal strength. Ancient metallurgy produced the hardest materials humans knew—yet Behemoth's bones surpass these. God designs creatures with specifications exceeding human engineering. This teaches that divine creation employs "materials" and principles humans cannot replicate, demonstrating the Creator's superior wisdom and power.

## Historical Context

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Bronze and iron represented the hardest substances in ancient technology, used for weapons and tools. God's comparison taught that even humanity's greatest technological achievements pale before natural design in God's creation. This would humble human pride in technological progress.

## Related Passages

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**John 3:16** — God's love and salvation

**Romans 10:9** — Confession and belief for salvation

**Matthew 25:31** — Final judgment

**Romans 2:1** — Judging others

## Study Questions

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1. How does nature's superior design compared to human technology reveal God's wisdom?
2. What human achievements are you tempted to pride yourself in, forgetting they cannot match God's creative work?

## Interlinear Text

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עַצְמוֹ	אֶפְיָקָי	נְחוֹשֶׁת	גְּדָמָיו	כְּמִטְּיָל	בְּרִזָּל:
<b>His bones</b>	<b>are as strong</b>	<b>pieces of brass</b>	<b>his bones</b>	<b>are like bars</b>	<b>of iron</b>
H6106	H650	H5154	H1634	H4300	H1270

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