

Job 41

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God Describes Leviathan

- 1** Canst thou draw out leviathan with an hook? or his tongue with a cord which thou lettest down?
 - 2** Canst thou put an hook into his nose? or bore his jaw through with a thorn?
 - 3** Will he make many supplications unto thee? will he speak soft words unto thee?
 - 4** Will he make a covenant with thee? wilt thou take him for a servant for ever?
 - 5** Wilt thou play with him as with a bird? or wilt thou bind him for thy maidens?
 - 6** Shall the companions make a banquet of him? shall they part him among the merchants?
 - 7** Canst thou fill his skin with barbed irons? or his head with fish spears?
 - 8** Lay thine hand upon him, remember the battle, do no more.
 - 9** Behold, the hope of him is in vain: shall not one be cast down even at the sight of him?
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- 10** None is so fierce that dare stir him up: who then is able to stand before me?
 - 11** Who hath prevented me, that I should repay him? whatsoever is under the whole heaven is mine.
 - 12** I will not conceal his parts, nor his power, nor his comely proportion.
 - 13** Who can discover the face of his garment? or who can come to him with his double bridle?

- 14 Who can open the doors of his face? his teeth are terrible round about.
- 15 His scales are his pride, shut up together as with a close seal.
- 16 One is so near to another, that no air can come between them.
- 17 They are joined one to another, they stick together, that they cannot be sundered.
- 18 By his neesings a light doth shine, and his eyes are like the eyelids of the morning.
- 19 Out of his mouth go burning lamps, and sparks of fire leap out.
- 20 Out of his nostrils goeth smoke, as out of a seething pot or caldron.
- 21 His breath kindleth coals, and a flame goeth out of his mouth.
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- 22 In his neck remaineth strength, and sorrow is turned into joy before him.
- 23 The flakes of his flesh are joined together: they are firm in themselves; they cannot be moved.
- 24 His heart is as firm as a stone; yea, as hard as a piece of the nether millstone.
- 25 When he raiseth up himself, the mighty are afraid: by reason of breakings they purify themselves.
- 26 The sword of him that layeth at him cannot hold: the spear, the dart, nor the habergeon.
- 27 He esteemeth iron as straw, and brass as rotten wood.
- 28 The arrow cannot make him flee: slingstones are turned with him into stubble.
- 29 Darts are counted as stubble: he laugheth at the shaking of a spear.
- 30 Sharp stones are under him: he spreadeth sharp pointed things upon the mire.
- 31 He maketh the deep to boil like a pot: he maketh the sea like a pot of ointment.
- 32 He maketh a path to shine after him; one would think the deep to be hoary.

33 Upon earth there is not his like, who is made without fear.

34 He beholdeth all high things: he is a king over all the children of pride.

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Covenant — בְּרִית (Berit)

Covenant, treaty

The Hebrew **berit** (בְּרִית) denotes a covenant—a binding agreement, often ratified by blood sacrifice. God's covenants (Abrahamic, Mosaic, Davidic) structure redemptive history, culminating in the New Covenant.

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).

CROSS REFERENCES

Job 41:1 **Parallel theme:** Job 3:8; Psalms 74:14; 104:26; Isaiah 27:1

Job 41:2 **Parallel theme:** Isaiah 37:29

Job 41:4 **Parallel theme:** Exodus 21:6; Deuteronomy 15:17

Job 41:10 **Parallel theme:** Job 9:4

Job 41:11 **Parallel theme:** Job 35:7; Exodus 19:5; Deuteronomy 10:14; Psalms 24:1; 50:12; Romans 11:35; 1 Corinthians 10:26

Job 41:18 **Light:** Job 3:9

Job 41:21 **Parallel theme:** Psalms 18:8

Job 41:33 **Creation:** Job 40:19

Job 41:34 **Kingdom:** Ezekiel 29:3. **Parallel theme:** Job 26:12; 28:8; Psalms 73:6

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