

Job 41:12

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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Analysis

"I will not conceal his parts, nor his power, nor his comely proportion." God promises detailed description of Leviathan—its parts (badav, בָּדָב), power (gevurotav, גְּבוּרָתָיו), and proportions (chein erkho, חֵין עֲרָכוֹ, "grace of arrangement"). Even in describing forces beyond human control, God reveals His creative excellence. Leviathan's terrifying power comes packaged with beautiful design. This teaches that even overwhelming aspects of creation display divine artistry, inviting wonder alongside fear.

Historical Context

Ancient descriptions of fearsome creatures often emphasized only threatening aspects. God's inclusion of Leviathan's "comely proportion" taught that even the terrifying displays divine beauty and design. This would expand understanding of God's character—He is artist even in creating powerful forces.

Related Passages

1 John 4:8 — God is love

John 15:13 — Greatest form of love

Matthew 25:31 — Final judgment

Romans 2:1 — Judging others

Study Questions

1. How does finding beauty in overwhelming realities change your perspective on difficult circumstances?
2. What terrifying aspects of life might reveal divine artistry upon closer examination?

Interlinear Text

לֹא	אָפָרֶר יְשָׁ	בְּזַי	וְדָבָר	בְּזַי	גַּבּוֹר וּתְ	וְיִמְעָן	עַרְפָּה:
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