

# Job 41:6

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Shall the companions make a banquet of him? shall they part him among the merchants?

## Analysis

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"Shall the companions make a banquet of him? shall they part him among the merchants?" Can fishermen cooperatively catch and sell Leviathan for commercial profit? The Hebrew *chaberim* (חֲבֵרִים, "companions/trading partners") and *kenanim* (כְּנָעָנִים, "merchants/traders") suggests business enterprise. Leviathan resists commodification. God created certain things that cannot be bought, sold, or reduced to commercial value. This teaches that not everything should be subject to market forces; some realities transcend economic calculation.

## Historical Context

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Ancient fishing was commercial enterprise; fishermen cooperated to catch and market fish. Leviathan's immunity to such enterprise taught that God preserves aspects of creation beyond human economic systems. This challenged materialistic thinking that reduces all value to commercial terms.

## Related Passages

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**Psalms 19:1** — Heavens declare God's glory

**Colossians 1:16** — All things created through Christ

## Study Questions

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1. What non-commodifiable realities does modern culture try to reduce to market value?
2. How does recognizing certain things as beyond price shape your values and priorities?

## Interlinear Text

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| יָכַר וְ                | עָלָיו | חֲבֵרֵי יָם          | וְיִקָּח וְהוּ         | בֶּן יֵן |
| H3738                   | H5921  | Shall the companions | of him shall they part | H996     |
|                         |        | H2271                | H2673                  |          |
| בְּנֵי־מֵרְכָּאִים:     |        |                      |                        |          |
| him among the merchants |        |                      |                        |          |
| H3669                   |        |                      |                        |          |

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