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- 1 Then Eliphaz the Temanite answered and said,
- 2 Can a man be profitable unto God, as he that is wise may be profitable unto himself?
- 3 Is it any pleasure to the Almighty, that thou art righteous? or is it gain to him, that thou makest thy ways perfect?
- 4 Will he reprove thee for fear of thee? will he enter with thee into judgment?
- 5 Is not thy wickedness great? and thine iniquities infinite?
- 6 For thou hast taken a pledge from thy brother for nought, and stripped the naked of their clothing.
- 7 Thou hast not given water to the weary to drink, and thou hast withholden bread from the hungry.
- 8 But as for the mighty man, he had the earth; and the honourable man dwelt in it.
- 9 Thou hast sent widows away empty, and the arms of the fatherless have been broken.
- 10 Therefore snares are round about thee, and sudden fear troubleth thee;
- 11 Or darkness, that thou canst not see; and abundance of waters cover thee.
- 12 Is not God in the height of heaven? and behold the height of the stars, how high they are!
- 13 And thou sayest, How doth God know? can he judge through the dark cloud?
- 14 Thick clouds are a covering to him, that he seeth not; and he walketh in the circuit of heaven.
- 15 Hast thou marked the old way which wicked men have trodden?
- 16 Which were cut down out of time, whose foundation was overflown with a flood:
- 17 Which said unto God, Depart from us: and what can the Almighty do for them?
- 18 Yet he filled their houses with good things: but the counsel of the wicked is far from me.
- 19 The righteous see it, and are glad: and the innocent laugh them to scorn.
- 20 Whereas our substance is not cut down, but the remnant of them the fire consumeth.
- 21 Acquaint now thyself with him, and be at peace: thereby good shall come unto thee.
- 22 Receive, I pray thee, the law from his mouth, and lay up his words in thine heart.
- 23 If thou return to the Almighty, thou shalt be built up, thou shalt put away iniquity far from thy tabernacles.
- 24 Then shalt thou lay up gold as dust, and the gold of Ophir as the stones of the brooks.
- 25 Yea, the Almighty shall be thy defence, and thou shalt have plenty of silver.
- 26 For then shalt thou have thy delight in the Almighty, and shalt lift up thy face unto God.
- 27 Thou shalt make thy prayer unto him, and he shall hear thee, and thou shalt pay thy vows.
- 28 Thou shalt also decree a thing, and it shall be established unto thee: and the light shall shine upon thy ways.
- 29 When men are cast down, then thou shalt say, There is lifting up; and he shall save the humble person.
- 30 He shall deliver the island of the innocent: and it is delivered by the pureness of thine hands.

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