

Job 15:1-35 **Eliphaz Second Speech – Accusation against Job**

Eliphaz Accuses Job of Folly

1 Then Eliphaz the Temanite answered and said:

2 "Should a wise man answer with empty knowledge, And fill himself with the east wind?

3 Should he reason with unprofitable talk, Or by speeches with which he can do no good?

4 Yes, you cast off fear, And restrain prayer before El (God).

5 For your iniquity teaches your mouth, And you choose the tongue of the crafty.

6 Your own mouth condemns you, and not I; Yes, your own lips testify against you.

7 "Are you the first man who was born? Or were you made before the hills?

8 Have you heard the counsel of Elowah (God)? Do you limit wisdom to yourself?

9 What do you know that we do not know? What do you understand that is not in us?

10 Both the gray-haired and the aged are among us, Much older than your father.

11 Are the consolations of El (God) too small for you, And the word spoken gently with you?

12 Why does your heart carry you away, And what do your eyes wink at,

13 That you turn your spirit against El (God), And let such words go out of your mouth?

14 "What is man, that he could be pure? And he who is born of a woman, that he could be righteous?

15 If El (God) puts no trust in His saints, And the heavens are not pure in His sight,

16 How much less man, who is abominable and filthy, Who drinks iniquity like water!

17 "I will tell you, hear me; What I have seen I will declare,

18 What wise men have told, Not hiding anything received from their fathers,

19 To whom alone the land was given, And no alien passed among them:

20 The wicked man writhes with pain all his days, And the number of years is hidden from the oppressor.

21 Dreadful sounds are in his ears; In prosperity the destroyer comes upon him.

22 He does not believe that he will return from darkness, For a sword is waiting for him.

23 He wanders about for bread, saying, 'Where is it?' He knows that a day of darkness is ready at his hand.

24 Trouble and anguish make him afraid; They overpower him, like a king ready for battle.

25 For he stretches out his hand against El (God), And acts defiantly against Shaday (the Almighty),

26 Running stubbornly against Him With his strong, embossed shield.

27 "Though he has covered his face with his fatness, And made his waist heavy with fat,

28 He dwells in desolate cities, In houses which no one inhabits, Which are destined to become ruins.

29 He will not be rich, Nor will his wealth continue, Nor will his possessions overspread the earth.

30 He will not depart from darkness; The flame will dry out his branches, And by the breath of His mouth he will go away.

31 Let him not trust in futile things, deceiving himself, For futility will be his reward.

32 It will be accomplished before his time, And his branch will not be green.

33 He will shake off his unripe grape like a vine, And cast off his blossom like an olive tree.

34 For the company of hypocrites will be barren, And fire will consume the tents of bribery.

35 They conceive trouble and bring forth futility; Their womb prepares deceit."

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Facts Revealed:

Eliphaz Accuses Job of Folly [\[Job 15:1-16\]](#)

- ☛ Eliphaz mocked Job's words and claimed that Job's iniquity influenced his response. [\[Job 15:1-6\]](#)
- ☛ Eliphaz mocked Job's knowledge claiming that he has turned his heart and spirit against El. [\[Job 15:7-13\]](#)
- ☛ Eliphaz asked how a man born of a woman be pure and righteous if El who puts no trust in His Saints, and the heavens are not pure in His sight. [\[Job 15:14-16\]](#)

Eliphaz voiced his views [\[Job 15:17-35\]](#)

- ☛ "I will tell you, hear me; What I have seen I will declare. [\[Job 15:17-19\]](#)
 - ✧ Eliphaz described his views on the plight of the wicked. [\[Job 15:20-35\]](#)
 - ✧ He accused Job of being wicked as evidenced by the trials Job is facing. Thus continuing his first view of condemnation, [\[Job 4:1-5:27\]](#)