

Job 22:1-30 **Eliphaz accused Job of great wickedness – Called him to Repentance**

Eliphaz scoffed at Job's Righteousness – Can a man be profitable to El

1 Then Eliphaz the Temanite answered and said:

2 "Can a man be profitable to El (God), Though he who is wise may be profitable to himself?

3 Is it any pleasure to the Almighty that you are righteous? Or is it gain to Him that you make your ways blameless?

Eliphaz Accuses Job of Wickedness

4 "Is it because of your fear of Him that He corrects you, And enters into judgment with you?

5 Is not your wickedness great, And your iniquity without end?

6 For you have taken pledges from your brother for no reason, And stripped the naked of their clothing.

7 You have not given the weary water to drink, And you have withheld bread from the hungry.

8 But the mighty man possessed the land, And the honorable man dwelt in it.

9 You have sent widows away empty, And the strength of the fatherless was crushed.

10 Therefore snares are all around you, And sudden fear troubles you,

11 Or darkness so that you cannot see; And an abundance of water covers you.

12 "Is not Elowah (God) in the height of heaven? And see the highest stars, how lofty they are!

13 And you say, 'What does El (God) know? Can He judge through the deep darkness?

14 Thick clouds cover Him, so that He cannot see, And He walks above the circle of heaven.'

15 Will you keep to the old way Which wicked men have trod,

16 Who were cut down before their time, Whose foundations were swept away by a flood?

17 They said to El (God), 'Depart from us! What can the Almighty do to 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 at them:

20 'Surely our adversaries are cut down, And the fire consumes their remnant.'

Call to Repentance

21 "Now acquaint yourself with Him, and be at peace; Thereby good will come to you.

22 Receive, please, instruction from His mouth, And lay up His words in your heart.

23 If you return to the Almighty, you will be built up; You will remove iniquity far from your tents.

24 Then you will lay your gold in the dust, And the gold of Ophir among the stones of the brooks.

25 Yes, the Almighty will be your gold And your precious silver;

26 For then you will have your delight in the Almighty, And lift up your face to Elowah (God).

27 You will make your prayer to Him, He will hear you, And you will pay your vows.

28 You will also declare a thing, And it will be established for you; So light will shine on your ways.

29 When they cast you down, and you say, 'Exaltation will come!' Then He will save the humble person.

30 He will even deliver one who is not innocent; Yes, he will be delivered by the purity of your hands."

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Facts Revealed:

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☉ Then Eliphaz the Temanite answered and said:

"Can a man be profitable to El (God), Though he who is wise may be profitable to himself?
Is it any pleasure to the Almighty that you are righteous? Or is it gain to Him that you make your ways blameless? [Job 22:1-3]

✧ Eliphaz questioned the value to El from Job's righteousness.

✧ Yet throughout History, Yahweh has expressed pleasure in the righteousness of men.

Abel offered a better sacrifice than Cane. [Genesis 4:1-5]

Enoch walked with Elohiym (God) and Elohiym (God) took him, before he was taken, he had this testimony that he pleased Elohiym. [Genesis 5:21-24, Hebrews 11:5]

Noah found grace in the eyes of Yahweh, for he walked with Elohiym and was saved on the Ark from the great flood. [Genesis 6:8-9]

These plus so many more.

Eliphaz Accuses Job of Wickedness

☉ "Is it because of your fear of Him that He corrects you, And enters into judgment with you?

Is not your wickedness great, And your iniquity without end? [Job 22:4-5]

✧ Eliphaz then named the sins he accused Job of doing. [Job 22:4-11]

✧ Eliphaz spoke of Elowah judging from heaven, and asked Job, "Will you keep to the old way Which wicked men have trod," They were judged and swept away by the flood

✧ They rejected El though He filled their houses with good things. The counsel of the wicked is far from me. [Job 22:12-18]

✧ "The righteous see the reward of the wicked and are glad, And the innocent laugh at them: 'Surely our adversaries are cut down, And the fire consumes their remnant.' [Job 22:19-20]

Call to Repentance [Job 22:21-30]

✧ Eliphaz advised Job to get to know Elowah, receive instruction from Him, and lay up His words in your heart, so good will come to you.

✧ If you return to the Almighty, you will remove iniquity far from your tents, and you will be built up and receive peace and prosperity from Shaday.

✧ Then you will have delight in Shaday and lift up your face to Elowah, your prayers will be heard, you will pay your vows.

✧ You will declare a thing and it will be established for you, so light will shine on your ways.

✧ When they cast you down, you will say, Exaltation will come.

✧ Then He will save the humble person, He will even deliver one who is not innocent, yes, he will be delivered by the purity of your hands.

(There are many in churches today that make the same faulty declarations, when trouble comes upon someone they know, they assume it is the result of some sin or wickedness, and condemn the suffering person. It is also akin to the "Name it and Claim it" doctrine quite prevalent in Churches today).

✧ Yet, Yahweh said Job was a perfectly blameless man needing no repentance whom Elohiym allowed Satan to attack without cause. [Job 1:1, 2:3]

✧ Yahweh said to Eliphaz and his two friends that His wrath was aroused against them because they had not said what was true about Him as His servant Job had said. [Job 42:7-8]

✧ Job was named among the three perfect men Yahweh said was righteous enough to save himself by his own righteousness, (Noah, Daniel, and Job). [Ezekiel 14:14, 20]