



Title: [The Dialogue *cont'd.*] Bildad's Second Speech (Ch. 18) and Job's Reply (Ch. 19)

Text: Job 18-19

Introduction:

1. Bildad reproves Job again (this is the second time) for his words, but Bildad fails.
2. Bildad warns Job of the destruction of the wicked. He continues the theme of Eliphaz's second speech – the destruction of the wicked.
3. Job seeks comfort, and he wishes his words were recorded (19:23-24) – THEY ARE WRITTEN!
4. Job hopes in His Redeemer and for the Resurrection.
5. Job warns his friends that they will incur judgment for their reproach of his integrity.

I. Bildad's Denunciation of Job (18:1-4)

- A. Bildad rebukes Job for his words.
- B. Bildad rebukes Job for his presumption and impatience.

II. Bildad's Description of the Judgment of the Wicked (18:5-21)

- A. The wicked – this is you, Job.
- B. “straitened” – restricted or limited.
- C. “gin” – snare or trap more like a “spring net”; snare – with a rope; trap – with a pit.
- D. (v.14) “the king of terrors” – death.
- E. There is no escape for the wicked.

III. Job Hears Harsh Words from His Friends (19:1-6)

- A. “Vex” means to trouble.
- B. “these ten times” – is an expression of many and of intensity.

IV. Job's Feels Harsh Treatments from God (19:7-12)

- A. Job feels ignored by God.
- B. Job feels trapped by God.
- C. Job feels destroyed by God.
- D. Job did not blaspheme God but provided his honest assessment of God having limited knowledge of the divine conversation between God and Satan.

V. Job's Hostility Derived from Family and Friends (19:13-22)

- A. Job is forsaken by family and friends.
- B. Job's physical body has been famished and deformed.

VI. Job's Hope of Seeing God (19:23-29)

- A. Job's Bibliology – doctrine of the word of God. Inspiration & Preservation.
- B. Job like Christ trusted in God even in their worst trials.

Conclusion:

1. Job's friends offered no hope to Job.
2. Bildad's words are all about an illustration of the destruction of the wicked and then he applied it to Job.
3. Job felt isolated, trapped, and without hope.
4. We must remember: our presence and understanding helps the hurting.
5. Job had faith in His Redeemer – similar to David (Ps. 19:14), Isaiah (Isa. 44:6), Jeremiah (Jer. 50:34). Illustrated by Boaz (the book of Ruth).
6. Job will be vindicated at some point in the future – postmortem.
7. Job experienced deep despair and mountain top glories – the key is to remain humble and obedient to God in the midst of our trials and testings.