THE BOOK OF JOB

Elihu

CHAPTERS 32-37

Elihu's Four Speeches

1. Job 32-33

God is greater than man, and, even though He is not accountable to us, He still graciously reveals Himself to us.

2. Job 34

God is utterly sovereign. He'll never do wrong. Ultimately, the wicked will suffer, and the righteous will be rewarded.

3. Job 35

The cursing of the wicked and the rewarding of the righteous will happen according to God's inscrutable plan.

4. Job 36-37

God has a plan that we cannot comprehend, and creation powerfully proves that He is in control of all things.

ELIHU'S WORDS ARE GODLY

- 1. God doesn't rebuke him in chapter 42 when He rebukes the other 3 friends.
- 2. Elihu agrees with God (chapters 38, 40). Though Job never cursed God, Job had accused Him of doing wrong.
- 3. Elihu's worship of God "rolls out the red carpet" for God's climactic word in chapters 38-41.

ELIHU'S MAIN POINT (JOB 32-37)

God is unsearchably great, and we simply don't have the capacity to fully understand Him.

"God is great and we know Him not" (36:26).

"He does great things that we cannot comprehend" (37:5).

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