

Part FOUR

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JOB'S APOCALYPSE

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- Elihu “He is my God”
- Barachel “God blesses”
- Buzite “contempt”
- Nahor > Buz (brother of Huz) (Gen 22:21)
- Gad > - - -> Buz (1 Chr 5:14)
- Place mentioned with Dedan & Tema (Jer 25:23)
- Ram “high” or “exalted”
- Judah > Pharez > Hezron > Ram (1 Chr 2:9)
- Ram the great great grandfather of Boaz
- Note: no Ram - Buz connection in Bible

Job 32-37

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WHY I SHOULD BE HEARD

Job justified himself and not God

Job's friends condemned Job but had no answer

Age should speak, years teach wisdom

BUT Shaddai inspires men

Great men not always wise nor judgment with aged

Therefore hearken to me, I will show my opinion

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WHY I SHOULD BE HEARD

I listened to your arguments

None of you convicted Job or refuted his arguments

Job addressed not me, I will not use your arguments

I am full of words

I will show no favor

My maker would put an end to me if I did

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THE CASE AGAINST JOB

Job, listen to all my words

I will speak my mind sincerely

Shaddai has given me the breath of life

Refute me if you can

I am fashioned from clay the same as you

Fear not, I will place no heavy pressure on you

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THE CASE AGAINST JOB

You said:

I am clean without transgression

I am innocent not guilty

Yet God accuses me

He regards me as his enemy

he puts my feet in the stocks and watches me

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FACT CHECK

Clean:

(Job 16:17 KJV) Not for [any] injustice in mine hands: also **my prayer [is] pure.**

without transgression:

(Job 7:21 KJV) And why dost thou not **pardon my transgression,** and take away mine iniquity? for now shall I sleep in the dust; and thou shalt seek me in the morning, but I [shall] not [be].

(Job 10:7 KJV) Thou knowest that **I am not wicked;** and [there is] none that can deliver out of thine hand.

FACT CHECK

without transgression (cont):

(Job 13:23 KJV) How many [are] mine iniquities and sins? **make me to know my transgression and my sin.**

(Job 14:17 KJV) **My transgression [is] sealed up in a bag, and thou sewest up mine iniquity.**

(Job 31:33 KJV) **If I covered my transgressions as Adam, by hiding mine iniquity in my bosom:**

(Job 31:34 KJV) Did I fear a great multitude, or did the contempt of families terrify me, that I kept silence, [and] went not out of the door?

FACT CHECK

neither iniquity:

(Job 10:6 KJV) That thou **enquirest after mine iniquity**, and searchest after my sin?

(Job 10:14 KJV) If I sin, then thou markest me, and **thou wilt not acquit me from mine iniquity**.

(Job 31:11 KJV) For this [is] an heinous crime; yea, it [is] **an iniquity [to be punished by] the judges**.

(Job 31:28 KJV) This also [were] **an iniquity [to be punished by] the judge**: for I should have denied the God [that is] above.

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THE CASE AGAINST JOB

You said:

He [God] findeth occasions against me

He [God] counteth me for his enemy

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FACT CHECK

occasions:

Nothing

count:

(Job 6:26 KJV) Do ye **imagine to reprove words, and the speeches of one that is desperate, [which are] as wind?**

FACT CHECK

enemy:

(Job 13:24 KJV) Wherefore **hidest** thou thy face, and **holdest me for thine enemy?**

(Job 19:11 KJV) He hath also kindled his wrath against me, and he **counteth** me unto him as [one of] his **enemies**.

(Job 27:7 KJV) Let mine **enemy** be as the wicked, and he that riseth up against me as the unrighteous.

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THE CASE AGAINST JOB

You said:

He [God] putteth my feet in the stocks

He [God] marketh all my paths

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FACT CHECK

feet in stocks, marketh my paths:

(Job 13:27 KJV) Thou puttest my feet also in the **stocks, and lookest narrowly unto all my paths; thou settest a print upon the heels of my feet.**

(Job 7:20 KJV) I have sinned; what shall I do unto thee, O thou preserver of men? why hast thou set me as a **mark against thee, so that I am a burden to myself?**

(Job 14:16 KJV) For now thou numberest my steps: dost thou not **watch over my sin?**

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ELIHU'S CHARGE

**Speech about God: Unjust
Pride**

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ELIHU'S REMEDY, REPENT

You need an angel; 1 among a 1000

To vouch for your uprightness

Then God is gracious

“Redeem him from going down to the pit”

“I have found a ransom”

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THE CASE AGAINST JOB (CONT)

Job, pay attention - listen to me

Keep quiet and I will speak

If you have something to say, answer me

Speak, I want to show you are right

If not, listen to me

Keep quiet and I will teach you wisdom

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THE CASE AGAINST JOB (CONT)

Hear my words, you sages

Listen to me you who know so much

The ear tests words as the palate tastes food

Let us choose for ourselves what is just

Let us decide for ourselves what is good

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THE CASE AGAINST JOB (CONT)

You said:

I am righteous

God has taken away my judgment

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FACT CHECK

I am righteous:

(Job 27:6 KJV) **My righteousness I hold fast**, and will not let it go: my heart shall not reproach [me] so long as I live.

taken away my judgment:

(Job 19:7 KJV) Behold, I cry out of wrong, but I am not heard: I cry aloud, but [there is] **no judgment**.

(Job 27:2 KJV) [As] God liveth, [who] hath **taken away my judgment**; and the Almighty, [who] hath vexed my soul;

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THE CASE AGAINST JOB (CONT)

You said:

Should I lie against my right?

My wound is incurable without transgression

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FACT CHECK

lie against my right:

(Job 27:5 KJV) God forbid that I should justify you: till I die I will not remove mine integrity from me.

my wound is incurable:

(Job 6:4 KJV) For the arrows of the Almighty [are] within me, the poison whereof drinketh up my spirit: the terrors of God do set themselves in array against me.

(Job 30:15 KJV) Terrors are turned upon me: they pursue my soul as the wind: and my welfare passeth away as a cloud.

FACT CHECK

without transgression

nothing

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ELIHU'S CHARGE

Job drinks in scoffing like water

Job keeps company with evil doers and wicked men

Job says there is no profit to delight oneself with God

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JOB'S EXPECTED OUTCOME

God doesn't do anything wicked

Men receive payment for what they do

Each receives in accordance with his conduct

Shaddai does not pervert justice

Did someone put God in charge of the earth?

**If God gathered all spirit and breath, all flesh would
perish**

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JOB'S EXPECTED OUTCOME

Should a hater of justice be in control?

Would you call a king a scoundrel, nobles wicked?

Then don't condemn the Just and Mighty One

God is not a respecter of persons

He keeps watch on all

Wrong doers cannot hide

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Syllogism

Premise: What God does is just

Observation: Job questions what God has done to him

Conclusion: Job hates justice

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JOB'S EXPECTED OUTCOME

God doesn't warn people when they must be judged

The mighty are shattered, not needing to investigate

They are overturned, they know what they're doing

They are treated like criminals for all to see

The cries of the poor and oppressed come before him

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JOB'S EXPECTED OUTCOME

Has anyone said to God:

“I have been chastised without having offended”

“Teach me what I have failed to see”

“If I have done wrong, I will do it no more”

Must God's rewards meet your approval?

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ELIHU'S CHARGE

Job speaks without knowledge or wisdom

Job answers like wicked men

To his sin Job adds rebellion

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THE CASE AGAINST JOB (CONT)

You said:

My righteousness is more than God's

What profit or advantage to be cleansed from my sin?

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FACT CHECK

my righteousness is more than God's:

None

what advantage:

**(Job 21:15 KJV) What [is] the Almighty, that we should serve him?
and what profit should we have, if we pray unto him?**

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JOB'S EXPECTED OUTCOME

If you sin, how do you hurt God?

If your crimes are many, how do you affect God?

If you are righteous, what do you give him

What does God receive from you?

Your evil or righteousness can only affect humans

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ELIHU'S CHARGE

Oppressions cause people to cry out

Pride causes no one to ask "Where is God my maker"

People cry but no one answers because of evil pride

Your evil or righteousness can only affect humans

Shaddai pays no attention to empty cries

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JOB'S EXPECTED OUTCOME

You say you shall not see Him

But judgment is before Him - trust Him

Because you don't trust him, he has visited in anger

You don't know it because of your arrogance

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ELIHU'S FINAL ASSERTIONS

I speak on God's behalf

God upholds the righteous

God warns the wicked to repent

Prosperity to the obedient; Death to the disobedient

Job chose the way of the disobedient

Warning to Job

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ELIHU'S FINAL ASSERTIONS

CONSIDER GOD WITH WHOM YOU CONTEND

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