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Job

Job 1

Job 1:1

ULT

¹ There was a man in the land of Uz whose name was Job; and Job was blameless and upright, one who feared God and turned from evil.

UST

¹ In the land named Uz, there was a man named Job. He obeyed God and always avoided doing evil things.

How is Job's character described?

He was blameless and upright, and honored God and turned from evil.

Job 1:2

ULT

² There were born to him seven sons and three daughters.

UST

² He had seven sons and three daughters.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 1:3

ULT

³ He possessed seven thousand sheep, three thousand camels, five hundred pairs of oxen, and five hundred donkeys and a great many servants. He was the man who was the greatest of all the people of the East.

UST

³ He owned seven thousand sheep, three thousand camels, one thousand oxen, and five hundred donkeys. He also had many servants. This was the man who was the richest in all the area east of the Jordan River.

Job 1:4

ULT

⁴ On each son's assigned day, he would give a feast in his house. They would send and call for their three sisters to eat and drink with them.

UST

⁴ Job's sons often held feasts in their houses. Whenever each one made a feast, he would invite all his brothers and sisters to come and eat together.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 1:5

ULT

⁵ When the days of the feast were over, Job would send for them and he would consecrate them. He would rise early in the morning and offer burnt offerings for each of his children, for he would say, "It may be that my children have sinned and cursed God in their hearts." Job always did this.

UST

⁵ After each celebration, Job would summon them. He would ask Yahweh to purify them from any action they might have committed during their feasting that would make them unacceptable to him. He would get up early in the morning, kill animals, and burn them on the altar {as sacrifices}, one for each {of his children}. {For} Job {always said}, "Perhaps my children have sinned and said something evil about God in their hearts."

After Job's sons held feasts with their brothers and sisters in their houses, what would Job do?

Job would consecrate them to God, offer burnt offerings, and pray for them.

Job 1:6

ULT

⁶ Then it was the day when the sons of God came to present themselves before Yahweh. Satan also came with them.

UST

⁶ (One) day, the angels came and gathered together in front of Yahweh, and Satan came, too.

Job 1:7

ULT

⁷ Yahweh said to Satan, "From where have you come?" Then Satan answered Yahweh and said, "From wandering on the earth, from going back and forth on it."

UST

⁷ Yahweh asked Satan, "Where have you just come from?" Satan replied, "I have come from the earth, where I been traveling back and forth {to see what is happening}."

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 1:8

ULT

⁸ Yahweh said to Satan, "Have you considered my servant Job? For there is no one like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man, one who fears God and turns from evil."

UST

⁸ Yahweh said to Satan, "Have you noticed Job, {who worships me}? No one else on earth honors me and lives in such a right way as he does. He always refuses to do anything evil."

Why did Yahweh say Satan should consider Job?

There was no one like Job in the earth, a perfect and an upright man, one who feared God and turned away from evil.

Job 1:9

ULT

⁹ Then Satan answered Yahweh and said, "Does Job fear God without reason?

UST

⁹ Satan replied to Yahweh, "What you say is true, but Job honors you only because of what you have done for

Job 1:10

ULT

¹⁰ Have you not put a barrier around him, around his house, and around all that is his from every side? You have blessed the deeds of his hands, and his cattle have burst forth in the land.

UST

¹⁰ You have always protected him, his family, and everything he owns. You make him succeed in whatever work he tries to do, and he has very much livestock all over his land.

How did Satan say Yahweh had protected Job?

He made a hedge around lob, around his house, and around all that he had on every side.

Job 1:11

ULT

¹¹ But now stretch out your hand and touch all that he has, and see if he does not curse you to your face."

UST

¹¹ But if you attacked what he owns and took it away, he would curse you in front of everyone."

What did Satan think would cause Job to renounce God?

He said to Job would renounce God is God attacked all Job's possessions.

Job 1:12

ULT

¹² Yahweh said to Satan, "Behold, all that he has is in your hand. Only against him himself do not stretch out your hand." Then Satan went away from the presence of Yahweh.

UST

¹² Yahweh replied to Satan, "So this is what you want me to do! All right, I will permit you to take away everything that he has. But do not harm him in his own body." Satan agreed and then left Yahweh in order to {plan how he would attack Job}.

What did Yahweh give Satan permission to do?

He gave Satan permission to take everything from Job, but not to lay a hand on his person.

Job 1:13

ULT

¹³ It came about that on a certain day, his sons and his daughters were eating and drinking wine in their oldest brother's house.

UST

¹³ One day after that, Job's sons and daughters were feasting and drinking wine at the home of their oldest brother.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 1:14

ULT

¹⁴ A messenger came to Job and said, "The oxen were plowing and the donkeys were feeding beside them.

UST

¹⁴ {While they were doing that, a} messenger arrived at Job's home and said to him, "While your oxen were plowing the fields and the donkeys were grazing nearby,

What did the messenger tell Job the Sabeans had done to him? (vv14-15)

They killed all Job's servants in the field and took away all the oxen and donkeys.

Job 1:15

ULT

¹⁵ Then the Sabeans fell on them and took them away. As for the servants, they have struck them with the edge of the sword. I alone have escaped to tell you."

UST

¹⁵ a group of men from the people group of Sheba came and attacked us. They killed all your servants who were working in the fields and took away all the oxen and donkeys! I am the only one who has escaped to come and tell you what happened."

Job 1:16

ULT

¹⁶ While he was still speaking, another also came and said, "The fire of God fell from the heavens and burned up the sheep and the servants. I alone have escaped to tell you."

UST

¹⁶ While he was still talking to Job, another messenger arrived. He said to Job, "Lightning from the sky struck and killed all the sheep and all the men who were taking care of them! I am the only one who has escaped to come and tell you what happened."

What did the second messenger tell Job had happened to his sheep?

The fire of God fell from then heavens and burned them up along with the servants.

Job 1:17

ULT

¹⁷ While he was still speaking, another also came and said, "The Chaldeans formed three groups, attacked the camels, and have taken them away. As for the servants, they have struck them with the edge of the sword. I alone have escaped to tell you."

UST

¹⁷ While he was still talking to Job, a third messenger arrived. He said to Job, "Three groups of robbers from the region of Chaldea came and attacked us. They stole all the camels and killed all the men who were taking care of them. I am the only one who has escaped to come and tell you what happened."

What the third messenger tell Job had happened to his camels?

Three groups of robbers came and attacked them. They stole all the camels and killed all the men that were caring for them.

Job 1:18

ULT

¹⁸ While he was yet speaking, another also came and said, "Your sons and your daughters were eating and drinking wine in their oldest brother's house.

UST

¹⁸ While he was still talking to Job, a fourth messenger arrived. He said to Job: "Your sons and daughters were feasting in the home of their oldest brother.

What news did the fourth messenger bring to Job? (vv18-19)

Job's sons and daughters were feasting in their brother's home when a great wind came and struck the house, which collapsed on them and killed them.

Job 1:19

ULT

¹⁹ A strong wind came from the wilderness and struck the four corners of the house. It fell on the young people, and they died. I alone have escaped to tell you."

UST

¹⁹ Suddenly a very strong wind came from the desert and struck the house. The house collapsed on your sons and daughters and killed them all! I am the only one who has escaped to come and tell you what happened."

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 1:20

ULT

²⁰ Then Job rose, tore his robe, shaved his head, lay facedown on the ground, and worshiped God.

UST

²⁰ Then Job stood up and tore his robe and shaved his head {because he was very sad}. Then he laid down on the ground to worship God.

What did Job do after he got all these messages?

Job tore his robe, shaved his head, lay facedown on the ground, and worshipped God.

Job 1:21

ULT

²¹ He said, "I was naked when I came out of my mother's womb, and I will be naked when I will return there. It is Yahweh who gave, and it is Yahweh who has taken away. May the name of Yahweh be blessed."

UST

²¹ He said, "When I was born, I was wearing no clothes. When I die, I will not take any clothes with me. It is Yahweh who gave me everything that I possessed, and it is Yahweh who has taken it all away. But we must always praise Yahweh!"

What did Job say about his condition after these events?

He said he came naked from his mother's womb, and would return naked.

What did Job say that Yahweh had done to him?

Yahweh gave, and Yahweh has taken away.

Job 1:22

ULT

 22 In all this matter, Job did not sin, nor did he accuse God of wrongdoing.

UST

²² {So in spite of all the things that happened to Job,} he did speak not {like a foolish man}—he did not sin by saying that what God had done was wrong.

How did Job show that he was not a foolish man?

Job did not sin, nor did he foolishly accuse God.

Job 2

Job 2:1

ULT

¹ Then it was the day when the sons of God came to present themselves before Yahweh. Satan also came with them to present himself before Yahweh.

UST

¹ On another day, the angels came again and gathered together in front of Yahweh; Satan also came again.

Who came with the sons of God when they presented themselves before Yahweh? Satan also came and presented himself.

Job 2:2

ULT

² Yahweh said to Satan, "From where have you come?" Then Satan answered Yahweh and said, "From wandering on the earth, from going back and forth on it."

UST

² Yahweh asked Satan, "Where have you come from this time?" Satan replied, "I have come from the earth, where I have been traveling back and forth to see what is happening."

What did Satan tell Yahweh that he had been doing?

He said he was going to and fro on the earth, and walking back and forth on it.

Job 2:3

ULT

³ Yahweh said to Satan, "Have you considered my servant Job? For there is no one like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man, one who fears God and turns away from evil. He still holds fast to his integrity, although you misled me against him, to destroy him without cause."

UST

³ Yahweh asked Satan, "You have you noticed my servant Job, who worships me, have you not? He continues to honor me; he is very exceptional, for he lives in a way that is more right than anyone else on the earth. He does this even though you persuaded me to attack him for no reason."

How did Yahweh say that Job continued to do after Satan's attacks?

Job held fast to his integrity.

Job 2:4

ULT

⁴ Satan answered Yahweh and said, "Skin for skin, indeed; a man will give all he has for his life.

UST

⁴ Satan replied to Yahweh, "He praises you only because you have helped him. People will give up everything they have to save their own lives.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 2:5

ULT

⁵ But stretch out your hand now and touch his bones and his flesh, and see if he does not curse you to your face."

UST

⁵ But if you harm his body, he will surely curse you in front of everyone!"

What does Satan want to do to Job now so that Job will curse God?

Satan wants to touch Job's bones and his body to hurt him.

Job 2:6

ULT

⁶ Yahweh said to Satan, "See, he is in your hand; it is only his life that you must spare."

UST

⁶ Yahweh replied to Satan, "All right, you may do to him whatever you like, but do not cause him to die."

Job 2:7

ULT

⁷ Then Satan went away from the presence of Yahweh. He struck Job with painful boils from the sole of his feet to his head.

UST

⁷ So Satan left, and he caused Job to suffer with very painful boils, from the top of his head to the bottom of his feet.

How did Satan afflict Job's body?

He afflicted Job with severe boils from the sole of his foot to the top of his head.

Job 2:8

ULT

⁸ Job took a piece of broken pottery to scrape himself with, and he sat down in the middle of ashes.

UST

⁸ Job took a piece of broken pottery and scraped the boils on his skin, and he sat in ashes to mourn and wail.

What did Job do to deal with the pain of his affliction?

He took a potshard and scraped himself as he sat in ashes.

lob 2:9

ULT

⁹ Then his wife said to him, "Do you still hold fast to your integrity? Curse God and die."

UST

⁹ His wife said to him, "Are you still trying to be loyal to God? You should curse God, and then go ahead and die."

What did Job's wife want him to do?

Job's wife wanted him to curse God and die.

Job 2:10

ULT

¹⁰ But he said to her, "You talk as a foolish woman talks. Should we receive the good from God and not receive the bad?" In all this matter, job did not sin with his lips.

UST

¹⁰ But Job replied, "You talk like people talk who do not know God. We should not only accept the good things that God does for us. We should also accept the bad things." So in spite of all these things that happened to Job, he did not offend God by saying anything against him.

What accusation did Job make to his wife?

He accused her of thinking they should receive good at the hand of God but not evil.

Job 2:11

ULT

¹¹ Now when Job's three friends heard of all this evil that had come on him, each of them came from his own place: Eliphaz the Temanite, Bildad the Shuhite, and Zophar the Naamathite. They set a time to come to mourn with him and to comfort him.

UST

¹¹ Among Job's friends were Eliphaz from the town of Teman, Bildad from the land of Shuah, and Zophar from the land of Naamah. When they heard about all the terrible things that had happened to Job, they left their homes and went together to Job to mourn with him and to comfort him.

What did Job's three friends do when they heard what happened to Job?

They came to mourn with him and comfort him.

lob 2:12

ULT

¹² When they lifted up their eyes at a distance, they did not recognize him. They raised their voices and wept; each tore his robe and threw dust into the air and upon his own head.

UST

¹² But when they saw Job from a distance, they almost did not recognize him. They wailed loudly, they tore their robes, and they threw dust into the air that settled on their heads. They did this to show how sorry they were for him.

How did the three friends of Job show their grief when they saw him? (vv12-13)

They raised their voices and wept, tore their robes, threw dust on their heads, and sat on the ground in silence for seven days and nights.

Job 2:13

ULT

¹³ Then they sat with him on the ground for seven days and seven nights. No one spoke a word to him, for they saw that his grief was very great.

UST

¹³ Then they sat on the ground with Job for seven days. None of them said anything to him, because they saw that he was suffering greatly, and they did not think that anything that they could say would lessen his pain.

Job 3

Job 3:1

ULT

¹ After this, Job opened his mouth and cursed the day he was born.

UST

¹ Finally, Job spoke, and he cursed the day that he was born.

What did Job say about the day he was born? (vv1-3)

He cursed the day he was born and asked that it would perish.

Job 3:2

ULT

² He said,

UST

² He said,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 3:3

ULT

³ "May the day on which I was born perish, the night that said, 'A boy has been conceived.'

UST

³ "I wish that the day when I was born could be eradicated, the night when I was born.

Job 3:4

ULT

⁴ May that day be dark; may not God from above call it to mind, neither may the sun shine on it.

UST

⁴ I wish that the day when I was born could have been dark. I wish that God who is in heaven would forget about that day, and that the sun would not have shone on it.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 3:5

ULT

⁵ May darkness and the shadow of death claim it for their own. May a cloud live over it; may everything that makes the day black truly terrify it.

UST

⁵ I wish that thick darkness would have filled that day, and that death would have come over it like a shadow and blotted out all light, and caused the people then to be terrified.

What does Job want to claim the day he was born?

He wants that day to be claimed by darkness and the shadow of death.

Job 3:6

ULT

⁶ As for that night, may thick darkness seize it. May it not rejoice among the days of the year; may it not come into the number of the months.

UST

⁶ I wish that the night when I was born would be erased from the calendar, that it would never again appear as one night in any month, and that it would not be included in any calendar.

What does Job want to seize the night he was conceived?

Job wants that night to be seized by thick darkness.

Job 3:7

ULT

⁷ See, may that night be barren; may no joyful voice come into it.

UST

⁷ I wish that no child would again be born on that date, and that no one would again be happy then.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 3:8

ULT

⁸ May they curse that day, those who know how to wake up Leviathan.

UST

⁸ The magicians who are able to awaken the great sea monster—I want them to curse the day I was born.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 3:9

ULT

⁹ May the stars of that day's dawn be dark. May that day look for light, but find none; neither may it see the eyelids of the dawn,

UST

⁹ I wish that the stars that shone early in the morning on that day after I was born may not shine again. If only those stars had wished in vain for light to shine, and that they had not shone on that day.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 3:10

ULT

¹⁰ because it did not shut up the doors of my mother's womb, and because it did not hide trouble from my eyes.

UST

¹⁰ That was an evil day because my mother's womb was not closed; instead, I was born, and I have now experienced all these terrible things.

Job 3:11

ULT

¹¹ Why did I not die when I came out from the womb? Why did I not give up my spirit when my mother bore me?

UST

¹¹ I wish that I had died when I was born; I wish I had perished when I came out from my mother's womb.

What did Job wish had happened when he came out of the womb?

He wishes he had died and given up his spirit.

Job 3:12

ULT

¹² Why did her knees welcome me? Why did her breasts receive me so that I should suck?

UST

¹² I wish that my mother had never welcomed me. I wish that she had not nursed me at her breasts.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 3:13

ULT

¹³ For now I would have been lying down quietly. I would have slept and been at rest

UST

¹³ If I had died at the time when I was born, I would now be asleep, resting peacefully.

What does lob say he would be doing now if he had died at birth? (vv13-14)

He would be sleeping and at rest with kings and counselors of the earth.

Job 3:14

ULT

¹⁴ with kings and counselors of the earth, who built up tombs for themselves that are now in ruins.

UST

¹⁴ I would be resting with kings who built beautiful tombs which are now in ruins, and I would be resting with their officials who have also died.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 3:15

ULT

¹⁵ Or I would have been lying with princes who once had gold, who had filled their houses with silver.

UST

¹⁵ I would be resting with princes who were wealthy, whose palaces were filled with gold and silver.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 3:16

ULT

¹⁶ Or perhaps I would have been stillborn, like infants that never see the light.

UST

¹⁶ I wish that I had been buried like a child who had died in its mother's womb and never lived to see the light.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 3:17

ULT

¹⁷ There the wicked cease from trouble; there the weary are at rest.

UST

¹⁷ After wicked people die, they do not cause any more troubles; those who are very tired now will rest.

Job 3:18

ULT

¹⁸ There the prisoners are at ease together; they do not hear the voice of the slave driver.

UST

¹⁸ Those who were in prison rest peacefully after they die; they no longer have slave drivers who curse them.

From what are prisoners and servants released in death? (vv18-19)

The prisoner is released from the voice of the slave driver, and the servant is free from his master.

Job 3:19

ULT

¹⁹ Both small and great people are there; the servant is free from his master there.

UST

¹⁹ Rich people and poor people are alike after they die, and those who were slaves no longer have to obey their masters.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 3:20

ULT

²⁰ Why is light given to him who is in misery? Why is life given to the one who is bitter in soul,

UST

²⁰ Why does God allow those who are suffering greatly like me to continue to remain alive? Why does he allow them to live, those who are very miserable?

Job 3:21

ULT

²¹ to one who longs for death without it coming; to one who digs for death more than for hidden treasure?

UST

²¹ They long to die, but they do not die. They desire to die more than people desire to find hidden treasure.

To whom does Job say that death will not come?

It does not come to the one who longs for death, and who searches for it more than those who search for hidden treasure.

Job 3:22

ULT

²² Why is light given to one who rejoices very much and is glad when he finds the grave?

UST

²² When they finally die and are buried, they are very happy.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 3:23

ULT

²³ Why is light given to a man whose way is hidden, a man whom God has hedged in?

UST

²³ I do not understand why God keeps alive anyone whom he keeps from being happy, anyone whom he forces to live in misery.

Job 3:24

ULT

²⁴ For my sighing happens instead of eating; my groaning is poured out like water.

UST

²⁴ I cry very much; as a result, I cannot eat; I groan as easily as a river flows with water.

How does Job describe his groaning?

His groaning is poured out like water.

Job 3:25

ULT

²⁵ For the thing that I feared has come on me; what I was afraid of has come to me.

UST

²⁵ Things that I always worried might happen to me—these things have happened to me; things that I always dreaded have come upon me.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 3:26

ULT

²⁶ I am not at ease, I am not quiet, and I have no rest; trouble comes instead."

UST

²⁶ Now I have no peace in my heart; I have no quietness; I cannot rest; instead, I have only troubles."

What is the things that Job has feared that has come upon him?

He is not at ease or quiet, and has no rest.

lob 4

Job 4:1

ULT

¹ Then Eliphaz the Temanite answered and said,

UST

¹ Then Eliphaz replied to Job. He said,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 4:2

ULT

² If anyone tries to speak with you, will you be impatient? But who can stop himself from speaking?

UST

² "Will you please allow me to say something to you? I am not able to remain silent any longer.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 4:3

ULT

³ See, you have instructed many; you have strengthened weak hands.

UST

³ In the past, you have instructed many people, and you have encouraged those for whom it was difficult to trust in God.

What good things does Eliphaz say Job has done for others?

Job had instructed many, and strengthened weak hands.

Job 4:4

ULT

⁴ Your words have supported him who was falling; you have made feeble knees firm.

UST

⁴ In the past, when you spoke to others who were suffering, you helped them; they were able to rejoice again because of God.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 4:5

ULT

⁵ But now trouble has come to you, and you are weary; it touches you, and you are troubled.

UST

⁵ But now, when you yourself suffer from disasters, you become discouraged. The disasters hit you, and you are stunned.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 4:6

ULT

⁶ Is not your fear your confidence, and the integrity of your ways your hope?

UST

⁶ You say that you honor God; so you should be trusting in him, for him not to let you suffer. If you really had not sinned, you would have been confident that God would not let these disasters happen to you!

What does Eliphaz say is Job's confidence and hope in time of trouble?

Job's fear of God is his confidence, and the integrity of his ways is his hope.

Job 4:7

ULT

⁷ Think about this, please: Who has ever perished when innocent? Or when were the upright people ever cut off?

UST

⁷ Think about this: No innocent people ever die when they are still young! God never kills innocent people!

Job 4:8

ULT

⁸ According to what I have seen, those who plow iniquity and sow trouble reap it.

UST

⁸ I have seen this happen: if farmers plant bad seeds, they do not harvest good crops; anyone who starts trouble for others later brings trouble on himself.

Who has perished and are consumed by the breath of God and his anger? (vv8-9)

Those who plow iniquity sow trouble perish and are consumed.

Job 4:9

ULT

⁹ By the breath of God they perish; by the blast of his anger they are consumed.

UST

⁹ These people die when God commands them to, because he is very angry with them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 4:10

ULT

¹⁰ The roaring of the lion, the voice of the fierce lion, the teeth of the young lions—they are broken.

UST

¹⁰ Even though wicked people may be very powerful like young lions, God destroys them.

What does Eliphaz says is broken?

The voice of the fierce lion and the teeth of young lions are broken.

Job 4:11

ULT

¹¹ The old lion perishes for lack of victims; the cubs of the lioness are scattered everywhere.

UST

¹¹ They will die like older lions that starve to death when there are no animals left to eat. Their children will scatter from each other like young lions that separate from each other to find food.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 4:12

ULT

¹² Now a certain matter was secretly brought to me, and my ear received a whisper about it.

UST

¹² I heard a message that someone came and whispered to me.

How did Eliphaz secretly receive a certain message? (vv12-13)

He heard a whisper in his ear and saw visions in the night.

Job 4:13

ULT

¹³ Then came thoughts from visions in the night, when deep sleep falls on people.

UST

¹³ He spoke to me at night when I was having a bad dream that disturbed me.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 4:14

ULT

¹⁴ It was at night when fear and trembling came upon me, and all my bones shook.

UST

¹⁴ It caused me to be afraid and tremble; it caused all my bones to shake.

What came upon Eliphaz when he received the message?

Fear and trembling came on him.

Job 4:15

ULT

¹⁵ Then a spirit passed before my face, and the hair of my flesh stood up.

UST

¹⁵ A ghost glided past my face and caused the hair on the back of my neck to stand straight up.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 4:16

ULT

¹⁶ The spirit stood still, but I could not discern its appearance. A form was before my eyes; there was silence, and I heard a voice that said,

UST

¹⁶ It stopped, but I could not see what it really looked like. But I knew that there was some being in front of me, and it said in a quiet voice,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 4:17

ULT

¹⁷ "Can a mortal man be more righteous than God? Can a man be more pure than his Maker?

UST

¹⁷ 'No human being can be more righteous than God. No man can be better than God, who made him.

What did the voice ask about mortal men?

It asked if a mortal man can be more righteous than God, and more pure than his maker?

Job 4:18

ULT

¹⁸ See, if God puts no trust in his servants; if he accuses his angels of folly,

UST

¹⁸ God cannot be sure that his own angels will always do what is right; he declares that some of them have done wrong.

Job 4:19

ULT

¹⁹ how much more is this true of those who live in houses of clay, whose foundation is in the dust, who are crushed sooner than a moth?

UST

¹⁹ So he certainly cannot trust human beings whom he has made from dust and clay, human beings, whom disaster crushes as easily as you can crush a moth!

How does Eliphaz describe mortal men?

They live in houses of clay, whose foundation is the dust, and who are crushed sooner than a moth.

Job 4:20

ULT

²⁰ Between morning and evening they are destroyed; they perish forever without anyone noticing them.

UST

²⁰ People are sometimes in good health in the morning, but by the evening they are dead. They are gone forever and no one even pays attention.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 4:21

ULT

²¹ Are not their tent cords plucked up among them? They die; they die without wisdom.

UST

²¹ Their families and possessions are like tents that collapse suddenly when you pull up their stakes; they perish suddenly without anyone ever knowing why."

lob 5

Job 5:1

ULT

¹ Call out now; is there anyone who will answer you? To which of the holy ones will you turn?

UST

¹ "Job, no one will stop you from calling out for someone to help you, but I am certain that no angel will come to you!

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 5:2

ULT

² For anger kills the foolish man; jealousy kills the silly one.

UST

² Foolish people die because they are resentful; people whom others easily deceive—these people die because they envy others.

What does Eliphaz say will happen to a foolish and silly man?

Anger kills the foolish man, and jealousy kills the silly one.

Job 5:3

ULT

³ I have seen a foolish person taking root, but suddenly I cursed his home.

UST

³ I have seen foolish people who seemed to be successful, but suddenly they experienced disaster because I cursed their home.

Job 5:4

ULT

⁴ His children are far from safety; they are crushed in the city gate. There is no one to rescue them.

UST

⁴ Their sons are never safe; they always lose to their opponents in court, because there is no one to defend them.

What happens to the children of the foolish person in the city gate?

They are crushed in the gate.

Job 5:5

ULT

⁵ The hungry eat up their harvest; they even take it from among the thorns. The thirsty pant for their wealth.

UST

⁵ Hungry people steal the crops that foolish people harvest; they even steal the crops that grow among thorns, and greedy people take away the wealth of those foolish people.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 5:6

ULT

⁶ For difficulties do not come out from the soil; neither does trouble sprout from the ground.

UST

⁶ But it is not the farmland that makes bad things happen; troubles do not grow up from the ground like plants.

Job 5:7

ULT

⁷ Instead, mankind is born for trouble, just as sparks fly upward.

UST

⁷ People make trouble for themselves from the time that they are born; this is as certain as the fact that sparks shoot up from a fire.

From where does trouble really come?

Mankind makes his own trouble.

Job 5:8

ULT

⁸ But as for me, I would turn to God himself; to him I would commit my cause—

UST

⁸ If I were suffering like you are, I would ask God for help and tell him what I am complaining about.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 5:9

ULT

⁹ he who does great and unsearchable things, marvelous things without number.

UST

⁹ He does great things, things that we cannot understand; we cannot even count the marvelous things that he does.

Job 5:10

ULT

¹⁰ He gives rain on the earth, and sends water on the fields.

UST

¹⁰ He sends rain on the ground; he makes it rain on our fields.

What does God give to the earth and the fields?

He gives rain on the earth and sends water on the fields.

Job 5:11

ULT

¹¹ He does this in order to set up on high those who are low; to raise to safety those who mourn.

UST

¹¹ He defends those who are humble, and puts those who mourn into places where they are safe.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 5:12

ULT

¹² He breaks the plans of the crafty people, so that their hands cannot achieve success.

UST

¹² He causes crafty people to not be able to do what they plan to do, with the result that they achieve nothing.

What does God do the schemes of crafty people?

He frustrates their schemes so that their hands cannot carry out their plots.

Job 5:13

ULT

¹³ He traps wise people in their own crafty actions; the plans of twisted people are hurried to their end.

UST

¹³ The people who think they are wise—he makes their own traps catch them; the result is that they do not succeed.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 5:14

ULT

¹⁴ They encounter darkness in the daytime, and grope at noonday as if it were night.

UST

¹⁴ It is as though even in the daytime they were living in darkness and were groping around trying to find the road at noontime like people do at night.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 5:15

ULT

¹⁵ But he saves the poor person from the sword in their mouths and the needy person from the hand of mighty people.

UST

¹⁵ But God saves helpless people from the wicked who say evil things about them; he saves poor people from powerful people harming them.

From what does God save the needy and poor person?

He saves the poor person from the sword in their mouths, and saves the needy person from the hand of the mighty people.

Job 5:16

ULT

¹⁶ So the poor person has hope, and injustice shuts her own mouth.

UST

¹⁶ So poor people confidently expect that good things will happen to them; but God stops wicked people from saying evil things.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 5:17

ULT

¹⁷ See, blessed is the man whom God corrects; therefore, do not despise the chastening of the Almighty.

UST

¹⁷ But those whom God corrects are fortunate; so do not despise it when God, who can do anything, disciplines you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 5:18

ULT

¹⁸ For he wounds and then binds up; he wounds and then his hands heal.

UST

¹⁸ He wounds people, but then he puts bandages on those wounds; he hurts people, but he also heals them.

Why is the man happy whom God corrects and chastens?

He is happy because God after he wounds, he binds up wounds, and his hands heal.

Job 5:19

ULT

¹⁹ He will rescue you out of six troubles; indeed, in seven troubles, no evil will touch you.

UST

¹⁹ He will rescue you many times from your troubles, with the result that nothing evil will happen to you.

Job 5:20

ULT

²⁰ In famine he will ransom you from death, and in war from the hands of the sword.

UST

²⁰ When there is little food to eat, he will not allow you to die, and when there is a war, your enemies will not kill you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 5:21

ULT

²¹ You will be hidden from the scourge of the tongue; and you will not be afraid of destruction when it comes.

UST

²¹ God will protect you when people say false, evil things about you; you will not be afraid when many things around you perish.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 5:22

ULT

²² You will laugh at destruction and famine, and you will not be afraid of beasts of the earth.

UST

²² You will be able to laugh when that happens and when there is nothing to eat, and you will not be afraid of wild animals.

At what will the man whom God corrects laugh?

He will laugh at destruction and famine.

Job 5:23

ULT

²³ For you will have a covenant with the stones in your field, and the beasts of the field will be at peace with you.

UST

²³ You will not worry about having big rocks in your fields that will make plowing difficult, and you will not worry that wild animals might attack you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 5:24

ULT

²⁴ You will know that your tent is in safety; you will visit your sheepfold and you will not miss anything.

UST

²⁴ You will know that things will go well for you in your home; when you look at your livestock, you will see that they are all there.

What will the man whom God corrects find when he visits his sheepfold?

He will find that nothing will be missing.

Job 5:25

ULT

²⁵ You will also know that your seed will be great, that your offspring will be like the grass on the ground.

UST

²⁵ You will be certain that you will have many descendants, who will be as numerous as blades of grass.

Job 5:26

ULT

²⁶ You will come to your grave at a full age, like a stack of grain bundles that goes up at its time.

UST

²⁶ You will become very old before you die, like sheaves of grain continue to grow until it is time to harvest and thresh them.

How long will the man whom God corrects live?

He will come to his grave at a full age.

Job 5:27

ULT

²⁷ See, we have examined this matter; it is like this; listen to it, and know it for yourself."

UST

 27 My friends and I have thought carefully about these things, and we know that they are true, so pay attention to what I have said!"

lob 6

Job 6:1

ULT

¹ Then Job answered and said,

UST

¹ Then Job spoke again to Eliphaz:

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 6:2

ULT

² "Oh, if only my anguish were weighed; if only all my calamity were laid in the balance!

UST

² "If all my troubles and misery could be put on a scale and weighed,

How does Job describe his anguish and his calamity?

If his anguish and calamity were weighed, they would be heavier than the sand of the seas.

Job 6:3

ULT

³ For now it would be heavier than the sand of the seas. That is why my words were reckless.

UST

³ they would be heavier than all the sand along the ocean shores. That is why I spoke very rashly about the day that I was born.

How does Job describe his anguish and his calamity?

Ff his anguish and calamity were weighed, they would be heavier than the sand of the seas.

Job 6:4

ULT

⁴ For the arrows of the Almighty are in me, my spirit drinks up the poison; the terrors of God have arranged themselves in array against me.

UST

⁴ It is as though Almighty God has shot me with arrows. It is as though those arrows have poison on their tips, and that poison has gone into my spirit. The things that God has done to me are like soldiers lined up to attack me.

What has the Almighty done to Job with his arrows?

His arrows are in Job, and Job's spirit drinks up the poison.

Job 6:5

ULT

⁵ Does the wild donkey bray in despair when he has grass? Or does the ox low in hunger when it has fodder?

UST

⁵ Just like a wild donkey does not complain by braying when it has plenty of grass to eat, and an ox does not complain by bellowing when it has food to eat, I would not complain if you were really helping me.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 6:6

ULT

⁶ Can that which has no taste be eaten without salt? Or is there any taste in the white of an egg?

UST

⁶ People complain when they must eat food that has no salt or food that is slimy and tasteless; that is what your words are like, Eliphaz.

What food does Job say has no taste?

He says the white of an egg does not have any taste.

Job 6:7

ULT

⁷ I refuse to touch them; they are like disgusting food to me.

UST

⁷ I do not want to eat food like that, because it disgusts me, and I do not like what you have said to me.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 6:8

ULT

⁸ Oh, that I might have my request; oh, that God would grant me the thing I long for:

UST

⁸ I wish that God would do for me what I have asked of him:

What one request does Job long for God to grant him? (vv8-9)

He wants God to crush him and cut him loose from his life.

Job 6:9

ULT

⁹ that it would please God to crush me once, that he would let loose his hand and cut me off from this life!

UST

 9 I wish that he would crush me and let me die. I wish that he would reach out his hand and take away my life

Job 6:10

ULT

 10 May this still be my consolation— even if I exult in pain that does not lessen: that I have not denied the words of the Holy One.

UST

¹⁰ If he would do that, I would be comforted because I would know that in spite of the great pain that I have suffered, I have always obeyed what God, the Holy One, has commanded.

What is Job's consolation?

His consolation is that he has not have denied the words of the Holy One.

Job 6:11

ULT

¹¹ What is my strength, that I should try to wait? What is my end, that I should prolong my life?

UST

¹¹ But now I do not have enough strength to endure all these things. And since I have nothing to hope for in the future, it is difficult for me to be patient now.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 6:12

ULT

¹² Is my strength the strength of stones? Or is my flesh made of bronze?

UST

¹² I am not strong like rocks are, and my body is not made of bronze.

Job 6:13

ULT

¹³ Is it not true that I have no help in myself, and that wisdom has been driven out of me?

UST

¹³ So I am not able to help myself; I am not wise enough for that.

What has been driven from Job?

Wisdom has been driven out of him.

Job 6:14

ULT

¹⁴ To the person who is about to faint, faithfulness should be shown by his friend; even to him who forsakes the fear of the Almighty.

UST

¹⁴ When a man has many troubles, his friends should be kind to him, even if he stops honoring Almighty God.

To whom should a friend show faithfulness?

A friend should show faithfulness to the person who is about to faint.

Job 6:15

ULT

¹⁵ But my brothers have been as faithful to me as a desert streambed, as channels of water that pass away to nothing,

UST

¹⁵ But you, my friends, are not dependable. You are like streams in the wilderness: They spill over their banks in the spring

How does Job compare his brothers to a desert streambed? (vv15-17)

They pass away to nothing, they vanish when they thaw, and they melt when it is hot.

Job 6:16

ULT

¹⁶ which are darkened because of ice over them, and because of the snow that hides itself in them.

UST

¹⁶ when the melting ice and snow make them overflow,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 6:17

ULT

¹⁷ When they thaw out, they vanish; when it is hot, they melt out of their place.

UST

¹⁷ but when the dry season comes, there is no water flowing in those streams, and the channels dry up.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 6:18

ULT

¹⁸ The caravans that travel by their way turn aside for water; they wander into barren land and then perish.

UST

¹⁸ The caravans of merchants turn off their road to search for water, but there is no water in those streambeds, so the merchants die in the desert.

What happened to the caravans when they looked for water in these streams? (vv18-20)

They wandered into barren land and then perished. They were disappointed and deceived.

Job 6:19

ULT

¹⁹ Caravans from Tema looked there, while companies of Sheba hoped in them.

UST

¹⁹ The men in those caravans searched for some water because they were sure that they would find some.

Job 6:20

ULT

²⁰ They were disappointed because they had been confident of finding water. They went there, but they were deceived.

UST

²⁰ But they did not find any, so they were very disappointed.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 6:21

ULT

²¹ For now you friends are nothing to me; you see my dreadful situation and are afraid.

UST

²¹ Similarly, you friends have not helped me at all! You have seen that terrible things have happened to me, and you are afraid that God might do similar things to you.

Why were Job's friends nothing to him?

They saw his dreadful situation and were afraid.

Job 6:22

ULT

²² Did I say to you, 'Give something to me' or, 'Offer me a gift from your wealth'

UST

²² After I lost all my wealth, I did not ask any of you for money. I did not plead with any of you to spend some of your money to help me.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 6:23

ULT

²³ or, 'Save me from my adversary's hand' or, 'Ransom me from the hand of my oppressors'?

UST

²³ I never asked any of you to rescue me from my enemies, and I did not ask you to save me from those who oppressed me.

Job 6:24

ULT

²⁴ Teach me, and I will hold my peace; make me understand where I have been wrong.

UST

²⁴ Answer me now, and then I will be quiet; tell me what wrong things I have done!

What does Job say he will do if his friends would teach him?

He will hold his peace.

Job 6:25

ULT

²⁵ How painful are truthful words! But your arguments, how do they actually rebuke me?

UST

²⁵ When people speak what is true, it can be painful for the listener to hear honest words. But what have all your arguments proven about me?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 6:26

ULT

²⁶ Do you plan to ignore my words, treating the words of a desperate man like the wind?

UST

²⁶ I am a man who has nothing to hope for, but you try to correct me, and you think what I say is as useless as the wind!

What does Job say his friends plan to do with his words?

They plan to ignore his words, and to treat them like the wind.

Job 6:27

ULT

²⁷ Indeed, you cast lots for a fatherless child, and haggle over your friend like merchandise.

UST

²⁷ You do not sympathize with me at all for the things that I am suffering. You will do anything to get something for yourselves! You would even play a game to see who gets an orphan as a prize!

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 6:28

ULT

²⁸ Now, therefore, please look at me, for surely I would not lie to your face.

UST

²⁸ Please look at me! I will not lie while I am talking straight to you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 6:29

ULT

²⁹ Relent, I beg you; let there be no injustice with you; Indeed, relent, for my cause is just.

UST

²⁹ Stop saying that I have sinned, and stop criticizing me unjustly! You should realize that I have not done things that are wrong.

Why does Job say his friends should relent in their attacks on him?

Job's cause is just.

Job 6:30

ULT

³⁰ Is there evil on my tongue? Cannot my mouth detect malicious things?

UST

 30 Do you think that I am lying? No, I am not lying, because I know what is right to say, and what is wrong."

Job 7

Job 7:1

ULT

¹ Does not man have hard labor on earth? Are not his days like the days of a hired man?

UST

¹ "People need to work hard on this earth like soldiers do; all during the time that we are alive, we need to work as hard as any hired worker.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 7:2

ULT

² Like a slave earnestly desires the shadows of evening, like a hired man looks for his wages—

UST

² We are like slaves who keep wanting to be in the cool of evening, and we are like workers who keep waiting to be paid.

To what does Job compare his months of misery and trouble-filled nights? (vv2-3)

He compares them to a slave desiring the evening, or a hired man looking for his wages?

Job 7:3

ULT

³ so I have been made to endure months of misery; I have been given trouble-filled nights.

UST

³ God has given to me many months in which I think that it is useless to remain alive; he has assigned to me many nights during which I feel miserable.

Job 7:4

ULT

⁴ When I lie down, I say to myself, 'When will I get up and when will the night be gone?' I am full of tossing to and fro until the day's dawning.

UST

⁴ When I lie down at night I say, 'How long will it be until I get up?' But the nights are long, and I toss on my bed until the dawn.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 7:5

ULT

⁵ My flesh is clothed with worms and clods of dust; the sores in my skin harden up and then dissolve and run afresh.

UST

⁵ My body is covered with maggots and scabs; pus oozes out of my open sores.

What covers Job's flesh?

Worms and clods of dust cover his flesh.

Job 7:6

ULT

⁶ My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle; they pass without hope.

UST

⁶ My days pass as quickly as a weaver's shuttle; when one day ends, I never expect that things will be better the next day.

What image does Job use to describe the speed of his days?

His days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle.

Job 7:7

ULT

⁷ God, call to mind that my life is only a breath; my eye will no more see good.

UST

⁷ God, do not forget that my life is as short as a single breath; I think that I will never again experience being happy.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 7:8

ULT

⁸ The eye of God, who sees me, will see me no more; God's eyes will be on me, but I will not exist.

UST

⁸ God, you see me now, but some day you will not see me anymore. You will search for me, but I will be gone because I will be dead.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 7:9

ULT

⁹ As a cloud is consumed and vanishes away, so he who goes down to Sheol will come up no more.

UST

⁹ Like a cloud passes and disappears, people die and descend to the place where dead people are, and they do not return:

To what does Job compare the man who goes down to sheol?

He is like a cloud that is consumed and vanishes away.

Job 7:10

ULT

¹⁰ He will return no more to his house; neither will his place know him again.

UST

¹⁰ they never return to their houses, and the people who are still alive do not remember them anymore.

Job 7:11

ULT

¹¹ Therefore I will not restrain my mouth; I will speak in the anguish of my spirit; I will complain in the bitterness of my soul.

UST

¹¹ So I will not be silent; while I am suffering, I will speak; I will complain to God about what has happened to me because I am very angry.

In what way will Job speak and complain?

He will speak in the anguish of his spirit and complain in the bitterness of his soul.

Job 7:12

ULT

¹² Am I the sea or a sea monster that you place a guard over me?

UST

¹² God, why do you watch closely what I am doing? Do you think that I am a dangerous sea monster?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 7:13

ULT

13 When I say, 'My bed will comfort me, and my couch will ease my complaint,'

UST

¹³ When I lie down at night, I say to myself, 'I will go to sleep and stop suffering; my pain will be less while I am sleeping.'

Job 7:14

ULT

¹⁴ then you scare me with dreams and terrify me through visions,

UST

¹⁴ But then you give me dreams that cause me to be afraid; you give me visions that terrify me;

What does God do to Job when Job goes to bed?

God scares him with dreams and terrifies him through visions.

Job 7:15

ULT

¹⁵ so that I would choose strangling and death rather than preserving these bones of mine.

UST

¹⁵ these things make me wish that someone would strangle me to death, rather than for me to continue to be alive when I am only a bunch of bones.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 7:16

ULT

¹⁶ I loathe my life; I would not wish to always be alive; let me alone for my days are useless.

UST

¹⁶ I detest continuing to be alive; I do not want to live for many more years. Allow me to be alone, because I will be alive for only a very short time.

Why did Job want God to leave him alone?

Job said his days are useless.

Job 7:17

ULT

¹⁷ What is man that you should pay attention to him, that you should set your mind on him,

UST

¹⁷ We human beings are not very important; so why do you pay so much attention to us?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 7:18

ULT

¹⁸ that you should observe him every morning and test him every moment?

UST

¹⁸ You look at us every morning to see what we are doing, and you examine us every moment to see if we are doing what is right.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 7:19

ULT

¹⁹ How long will it be before you look away from me, before you let me alone long enough for me to swallow down my own saliva?

UST

¹⁹ When will you stop looking at me and leave me alone for a little time, long enough to swallow my own spit?

What does Job ask God to let him alone long enough to do?

He asks to be left alone long enough to swallow his own saliva.

Job 7:20

ULT

²⁰ Even if I have sinned, what would that do to you, you who watch men? Why have you made a target of me, so that I am a burden for you?

UST

²⁰ Why do you watch me constantly? If I sin, that certainly does not harm you! Why have you set me up like a target to shoot at? Do you consider me to be a heavy load that you are forced to carry?

Job 7:21

ULT

²¹ Why do you not pardon my transgression and take away my iniquity? For now will I lie down in the dust; you will seek me carefully, but I will not exist."

UST

²¹ If I have sinned, are you not able to forgive me for the wrong things that I have done? Soon I will lie in my grave; you will search for me, but you will not find me because I will be dead and gone."

What does Job think God will not do?

Job thinks God will not pardon his transgression and take away his iniquity.

Job 8

Job 8:1

ULT

¹ Then Bildad the Shuhite answered and said,

UST

¹ Then Bildad, from the Shuah area, spoke to Job. He said,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 8:2

ULT

² "How long will you say these things? How long will the words of your mouth be a mighty wind?

UST

² "Job, how much longer will you talk like this? What you say is as useless as a big wind.

To what did Bildad compare the words of Job's mouth?

He compared them to a mighty wind.

Job 8:3

ULT

 $^{\mathbf{3}}$ Does God pervert justice? Does the Almighty pervert righteousness?

UST

³ Almighty God certainly never does anything unfairly. He always does what is right.

Job 8:4

ULT

⁴ Your children have sinned against him; we know this, for he gave them into the hand of their sins.

UST

⁴ Your children have sinned against him; this is evident because he has punished them for those evil things.

How did Bildad say he knew that Job's children sinned?

He said he knew this because God had handed Job's children over to their sin.

Job 8:5

ULT

⁵ But suppose you diligently sought God and presented your request to the Almighty.

UST

⁵ But now, if only you will earnestly request Almighty God to help you!

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 8:6

ULT

⁶ If you are pure and upright, then he would surely stir himself on your behalf and restore you to your rightful place.

UST

⁶ If only you were pure and honest! Then he will surely do something good for you and reward you by giving your family back to you and making you prosper.

How does Bildad say that God would bless Job if he was pure and upright?

He would reward Job with a home that truly belonged to him.

Job 8:7

ULT

⁷ Even though your beginning was small, still your final condition would be much greater.

UST

⁷ Even though you were not very prosperous before, during the last stage of your life you would become very wealthy.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 8:8

ULT

⁸ Please ask the former generations, and give your attention to what our ancestors learned.

UST

⁸ I request you to think about what happened long ago and to consider what our ancestors found out.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 8:9

ULT

⁹ (We were only born yesterday and know nothing because our days on earth are a shadow.)

UST

⁹ It seems as though we were born only yesterday and we know very little; our time here on the earth disappears quickly, like a shadow that is here and then gone.

To what does Bildad compare our days on earth?

He says they are a shadow.

Job 8:10

ULT

¹⁰ Will they not teach you and tell you? Will they not speak words from their hearts?

UST

¹⁰ So why not allow your ancestors to teach you anything? Let them tell you what they learned!

Job 8:11

ULT

¹¹ Can papyrus grow without a marsh? Can reeds grow without water?

UST

¹¹ Papyrus certainly does not grow away from marshland; reeds certainly cannot grow where there is no water.

What do papyrus and reeds require in order to grow?

Papyrus requires a marsh, and reeds need water to grow.

Job 8:12

ULT

¹² While they are still green and not cut down, they wither before any other plant.

UST

¹² If the water dries up while they are blossoming, they wither more quickly than any other plant.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 8:13

ULT

¹³ So also are the paths of all who forget God; the hope of the godless will perish.

UST

¹³ Those who do not pay attention to what God says are like those reeds; godless people stop confidently expecting that good things will happen to them.

Job 8:14

ULT

¹⁴ His confidence will break apart, and his trust is as weak as a spider's web.

UST

¹⁴ The things they confidently expect to happen do not happen; things they trust will help them are as weak as a spider's web.

To what does Bildad compare the trust of godless men?

Their trust is as fragile as a spider's web.

Job 8:15

ULT

¹⁵ He leans on his house, but it will not support him; he takes hold of it, but it does not stand.

UST

¹⁵ If they think they will be safe because they are wealthy, they will not be safe; the things they think will keep them safe—those things will disappear.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 8:16

ULT

¹⁶ Under the sun he is green, and his shoots go out over his entire garden.

UST

¹⁶ Godless people are like plants that are watered before the sun rises: their shoots spread all over the gardens.

Job 8:17

ULT

¹⁷ His roots are wrapped about the heaps of stone; they look for good places among the rocks.

UST

¹⁷ The roots of those plants twist around the piles of stones and cling tightly to the rocks.

What do the roots do that represent a person that forgets God?

His roots are wrapped around the heaps of stone and look for good places among the rocks.

Job 8:18

ULT

¹⁸ But if this person is destroyed out of his place, then that place will deny him and say, 'I never saw you.'

UST

¹⁸ But if a gardener pulls those plants out, it is as though the place where they were planted says, 'They were never here!' That is what happens to wicked people who do not pay attention to what God says.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 8:19

ULT

¹⁹ See, this is the "joy" of such a person's behavior; other plants will sprout out of the same soil in his place.

UST

¹⁹ Truly, this is all the joy that evil people have: other people just come and take their places.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 8:20

ULT

²⁰ See, God will not cast away an innocent man; neither will he take the hand of evildoers.

UST

²⁰ So, I tell you, Job, God will not reject you if you honor him, but he does not help evil people.

How does God treat the innocent man and the evildoers differently?

He will not cast away an innocent man, but will not take the hand of evildoers.

Job 8:21

ULT

²¹ He will yet fill your mouth with laughter, your lips with shouting.

UST

²¹ He will always enable you to laugh and to shout joyfully.

With what will God fill the mouth and lips of the innocent man?

He will fill his mouth with laughter and his lips with shouting.

Job 8:22

ULT

²² Those who hate you will be clothed with shame; the tent of the wicked will be no more."

UST

²² But those who hate you will be very ashamed, and the homes of wicked people will disappear."

Job 9

Job 9:1

ULT

¹ Then Job answered and said,

UST

¹ Then Job replied,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 9:2

ULT

² "I truly know that this is so. But how can a person be in the right with God?

UST

² "Yes, yes, I know. But how can anyone say to God, 'I am innocent'?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 9:3

ULT

³ If he wants to argue with God, he cannot answer him once in a thousand times.

UST

³ If someone wanted to argue with God about that, God could ask him a thousand questions and that person would not be able to answer any of them!

What would happen is a man tried to argue with God?

The man could not answer God once in a thousand times.

Job 9:4

ULT

⁴ God is wise in heart and mighty in strength; who has ever hardened himself against him and succeeded?—

UST

⁴ God is very wise and powerful; no one who has tried to argue against him has ever been able to win.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 9:5

ULT

⁵ he who removes the mountains without warning anyone when he overturns them in his anger—

UST

⁵ He even moves mountains in earthquakes without telling anyone in advance. When he is angry, he turns the mountains upside down.

What does God do to the mountains when he is angry?

He removes the mountains without warning and overturns them.

Job 9:6

ULT

⁶ he who shakes the earth out of its place and sets its supports trembling.

UST

⁶ He sends earthquakes that shake the ground; he causes the columns that support the earth to shake.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 9:7

ULT

⁷ It is the same God who tells the sun not to rise, and it does not, and who covers up the stars,

UST

⁷ Some days he speaks to the sun, and it does not rise, and some nights he prevents the stars from shining.

Job 9:8

ULT

⁸ who by himself stretches out the heavens and tramples down the waves of the sea,

UST

⁸ He alone stretched [stretches] out the sky; he alone puts his feet on the waves and stops their violence.

What does God trample down?

He tramples down and subdues the waves of the sea.

Job 9:9

ULT

⁹ who makes the Bear, Orion, the Pleiades, and the constellations of the south.

UST

⁹ He set in their places the groups of stars— the Bear, Orion, the Pleiades, and the groups of stars in the southern sky.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 9:10

ULT

¹⁰ He does great and unsearchable things, and wonderful things that cannot be counted.

UST

 10 He does great things that we cannot understand; he does more marvelous things than we are able to count.

Job 9:11

ULT

¹¹ See, he goes by me, and I do not see him; he passes on also, but I do not perceive him.

UST

¹¹ He passes by where I am, but I cannot see him; he moves further on, but I do not see him go.

Does Job see God when he passes by?

God goes by him and Job does not see or perceive him.

Job 9:12

ULT

¹² If he takes something away, who can stop him? Who can say to him, 'What are you doing?'

UST

¹² If he wants to snatch someone away, no one could stop him; no one dares ask him, 'Why are you doing that?'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 9:13

ULT

¹³ God will not withdraw his anger; the helpers of Rahab bow beneath him.

UST

¹³ God will not very easily stop being angry; he defeated the servants of Rahab, the great sea monster.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 9:14

ULT

¹⁴ How much less could I answer him, could I choose words to reason with him?

UST

¹⁴ If God took me to court, what could I say to answer him?

Job 9:15

ULT

¹⁵ Even if I were righteous, I could not answer him; I could only plead for mercy with my judge.

UST

¹⁵ Even though I would be innocent, I would not be able to answer him. All I could do would be to request God, my judge, to act mercifully toward me.

Even if Job was righteous, how would he need to address God?

Job could not answer him, but could only plead for mercy.

Job 9:16

ULT

¹⁶ Even if I called and he answered me, I would not believe that he was listening to my voice.

UST

¹⁶ If I summoned him to come to the courtroom and he said that he would come, I would not believe that he would pay attention to what I would say.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 9:17

ULT

¹⁷ For he breaks me with a tempest and multiplies my wounds without cause.

UST

¹⁷ He sends storms to batter me, and he bruises me many times without any reason.

Why does Job believe God has multiple his wounds?

Job believed God multiplied his wounds without cause.

Job 9:18

ULT

¹⁸ He does not allow me to regain my breath; but he fills me with bitterness.

UST

¹⁸ It is as though he will not let me get my breath because he causes me to suffer all the time.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 9:19

ULT

¹⁹ If it is a matter of strength, behold, he is mighty! If it is a matter of justice, who can summon him?

UST

¹⁹ If I tried to wrestle with him, there would be no way to defeat him, because he is stronger than I am. If I called him to appear in court, there is no one who could force him to go there.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 9:20

ULT

²⁰ Though I am in the right, my own mouth would condemn me; and though I am blameless, my words would prove me to be quilty.

UST

²⁰ Even though I was innocent, anything I said would cause him to punish me; even though I had not done anything wrong, he would still prove that I was guilty.

Is it possible for Job to be righteous and perfect?

No, even then, his mouth would condemn him and prove him guilty.

Job 9:21

ULT

²¹ I am blameless, but I do not care any more about myself; I despise my own life.

UST

²¹ I have not done anything wrong, but that is not important anymore because I do not care what happens to me. I despise living.

Job 9:22

ULT

²² It makes no difference, which is why I say that he destroys blameless people and wicked people together.

UST

²² Nothing is important to me because God will get rid of all of us, both those who are innocent and those who are wicked.

Does Job think God treats righteous and wicked people differently?

He says God destroys both perfect people and wicked people together.

Job 9:23

ULT

²³ When a whip suddenly kills, he mocks the despair of the innocent.

UST

²³ When people experience disaster and it causes them to suddenly die, God laughs at it, even if they are innocent.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 9:24

ULT

²⁴ The earth is given into the hand of wicked people; God covers the faces of its judges. If it is not he who does it, then who is it?

UST

²⁴ God has allowed wicked people to control what happens in the world. It is as though he had caused judges to be blind, no longer able to judge fairly. If it is not God who has done that, who, then, has done it?

Job 9:25

ULT

²⁵ My days are swifter than a running messenger; my days flee away; they see no good anywhere.

UST

²⁵ My days pass very quickly, like a fast runner who passes one by; it is as though the days run away, and nothing good ever happens to me.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 9:26

ULT

²⁶ They are as fast as papyrus reed boats, and as fast as the eagle that swoops down on its victim.

UST

²⁶ My life goes by very rapidly, like a swiftly sailing boat made from reeds or like an eagle that swoops down to seize an animal.

To what three things does Job compare the speed of his days?

They are swifter than a running messenger, they are as fast as reed boats, and as fast as the swooping eagle.

Job 9:27

ULT

²⁷ If I said that I would forget about my complaints, that I would take off my sad face and be happy,

UST

²⁷ If I smile and say to God, 'I will forget what I am complaining about; I will stop looking sad and try to be cheerful,'

Why did Job say it would be in vain to forget about his complaints? (vv27-29)

God would not consider him innocent, but Job would be condemned.

Job 9:28

ULT

²⁸ I would be afraid of all my sorrows because I know that you will not consider me innocent.

UST

²⁸ then I become afraid because of all that I am suffering because I know that God does not consider that I am innocent.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 9:29

ULT

²⁹ I will be condemned; why, then, should I try in vain?

UST

²⁹ He will condemn me anyway, so why should I keep trying in vain to defend myself?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 9:30

ULT

³⁰ If I washed myself with snow water and made my hands ever so clean,

UST

³⁰ If I washed myself with snow or cleansed my hands with lye to get rid of my guilt,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 9:31

ULT

³¹ God would plunge me in a ditch, and my own clothes would be disgusted with me.

UST

³¹ he would still throw me into a filthy pit; as a result it would be as though even my clothes would detest me.

Job 9:32

ULT

³² For God is not a man, as I am, that I could answer him, that we could come together in court.

UST

³² God is not a human, as I am, so there is no way that I could answer him to prove that I am innocent if we went together to have a trial in a courtroom.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 9:33

ULT

³³ There is no judge between us who might lay his hand upon us both.

UST

³³ There is no one to mediate, no one who has authority over both of us.

What does Job say that no judge would be able to do?

No judge could lay his hand on both Job and God.

Job 9:34

ULT

³⁴ There is no other judge who could take God's rod off me, who could keep his terror from frightening me.

UST

³⁴ I wish someone else could stop God from making me suffer, and that he would not continue to terrify me.

What does Job say no other judge could do?

There is no other judge who can take God's rod from Job, or keep God's terror from frightening Job.

Job 9:35

ULT

 $^{\mathbf{35}}$ Then would I speak up and not fear him. But as things are now, I cannot do that.

UST

³⁵ If he did that, I would declare that I am innocent without being afraid of him because I know within myself that I really have not done what is wrong like God thinks that I have.

Job 10

Job 10:1

ULT

¹ I am weary of my life; I will give free expression to my complaint; I will speak in the bitterness of my soul.

UST

¹ I detest living any longer. I will not stop saying why I am complaining. Since I am very unhappy, I will speak.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 10:2

ULT

² I will say to God, 'Do not merely condemn me; show me why you accuse me.

UST

² I will say to God, 'Do not just say that you must punish me; in addition, tell me what wrong you saw that I have done.

Why does Job want God to show him, instead of merely condemning him?

He wants God to show Job why he accuses him.

Job 10:3

ULT

³ Is it good to you that you should oppress me, to despise the work of your hands while you smile on the plans of the wicked?

UST

³ Does it please you to oppress me, to abandon me, whom you created, and, at the same time, to help wicked people to do the things that they plan to do?

Job 10:4

ULT

⁴ Do you have eyes of flesh? Do you see like a man sees?

UST

⁴ Do you understand things the way that we humans do?

What kind of eyes does Job ask God if he has?

Job asks him if he has eyes of flesh and sees like a man sees.

Job 10:5

ULT

⁵ Are your days like the days of mankind or your years like the years of people,

UST

⁵ Do you live for only a few years, like [as] we do?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 10:6

ULT

⁶ that you inquire after my iniquity and search after my sin,

UST

⁶ So why do you continue to search for my faults and to hunt for my sins?

What does Job say that God inquires and searches after?

God inquires after Job's iniquity and searches after his sin.

Job 10:7

ULT

⁷ although you know I am not guilty and there is no one who can rescue me from your hand?

UST

⁷ You know that I am not guilty, and that no one can rescue me from your power.

Job 10:8

ULT

⁸ Your hands have framed and fashioned me together round about, yet you are destroying me.

UST

⁸ With your hands you created me and shaped my body, but now you are deciding that you should not have done that, and you are destroying me instead.

What had God's hands done for Job?

They had framed and fashioned Job, together round about.

Job 10:9

ULT

⁹ Call to mind, I beg you, that you have fashioned me like clay; will you bring me into dust again?

UST

⁹ Do not forget that you made me from a piece of clay; are you going to cause me to become soil again?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 10:10

ULT

¹⁰ Have you not poured me out like milk and curdled me like cheese?

UST

¹⁰ You certainly formed me when I was conceived, and you put me together inside my mother's womb.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 10:11

ULT

¹¹ You have clothed me with skin and flesh and knit me together with bones and sinews.

UST

¹¹ You fastened my bones together with sinews, and then you covered them with flesh inside my skin.

With what did God clothe Job?

He clothed him with skin and flesh.

Job 10:12

ULT

¹² You have granted me life and covenant faithfulness; your help has guarded my spirit.

UST

¹² You have caused me to be alive; you have faithfully loved me, and you have carefully preserved me.

What has God granted to Job?

God granted him life and covenant faithfulness.

Job 10:13

ULT

¹³ Yet these things you hid in your heart— I know that this is what you were thinking:

UST

¹³ But you kept secret what you were planning to do to me; I am certain that you were planning to do these things to me.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 10:14

ULT

¹⁴ that if I sinned, you would notice it; you would not acquit me of my iniquity.

UST

¹⁴ You were watching to see if I would sin, so that, if I did sin, you would refuse to forgive me.

What would God do if Job sinned?

God will notice his sin, and not acquit him of his iniquity.

Job 10:15

ULT

¹⁵ If I have acted wickedly, woe to me; and even if I acted righteously, I could not lift up my head, since I am filled with disgrace— see my affliction!

UST

¹⁵ If I am a wicked man, I hope that terrible things will happen to me. But even if I am righteous, I still must bow my head and feel ashamed because I am very disgraced and feel miserable.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 10:16

ULT

¹⁶ If my head were lifted up, you would stalk me like a lion; and again you would show yourself with marvellous acts of power against me.

UST

¹⁶ And if I am proud, you hunt me like a lion hunts for some animal to kill, and you act powerfully to injure me.

What would God do to Job if Job's head were lifted up?

God would hunt him down like a lion.

Job 10:17

ULT

¹⁷ You bring new witnesses against me and increase your anger against me; you attack me with fresh armies.

UST

¹⁷ You constantly find more witnesses to testify that I have done what is wrong, and you continually become more angry with me. It is as though you are [were] always bringing new troops to attack me.

Who does God bring against Job?

God brings new witnesses against him.

Job 10:18

ULT

¹⁸ Why, then, have you brought me out of the womb? I wish I had given up my spirit and that no eye had ever seen me.

UST

¹⁸ God, why did you allow me to be born? I wish had died when I was born, and that no one had ever seen

What does Job wish had happened to him?

He wishes he had given up his spirit and that no eye had ever seen him.

Job 10:19

ULT

¹⁹ I would have been as though I had never existed; I would have been carried from the womb to the grave.

UST

¹⁹ I think it would have been better if I had been carried directly from my mother's womb to the grave than for me to live.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 10:20

ULT

²⁰ Are not my days only a few? Stop then, let me alone, so that I may have a little rest

UST

²⁰ I think that there are only a few days for me to remain alive; so allow me to be alone, in order that I may have a little peace

Job 10:21

ULT

²¹ before I go from where I will not return, to the land of darkness and of the shadow of death,

UST

²¹ before I go to the place from which I will never return, [a place] where it is always gloomy and very dark,

Where is Job going, from which he will not return?

He is going to the land of darkness and to the shadow of death.

Job 10:22

ULT

²² the land that is as dark as midnight, the land of the shadow of death, without any order, where the light is like midnight."

UST

²² a place of darkness and dark shadows where everything is confused [and] where even the small light there is like darkness."

Job 11

Job 11:1

ULT

¹ Then Zophar the Naamathite answered and said,

UST

¹ Then Zophar, the friend from the region of Naamah, said this to Job:

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 11:2

ULT

² "Should not such a multitude of words be answered? Should this man, so full of talk, be believed?

UST

² "Should no one answer all that you have said? Just because you talk a lot, that fact should not persuade us to declare that you are innocent.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 11:3

ULT

³ Should your boasting make others remain silent? When you mock, will no one make you feel ashamed?

UST

³ Job, should your babbling really cause us to be silent? When you make fun of what we think, certainly there should be someone to rebuke you and cause you to be ashamed!

What did Zophar think Job had done to their teaching?

He thought Job had mocked his friends teaching.

Job 11:4

ULT

⁴ For you say to God, 'My beliefs are pure, I am blameless in your eyes.'

UST

⁴ You say, 'What I say is true; God knows that I am innocent.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 11:5

ULT

⁵ But, oh, that God would speak and open his lips against you;

UST

⁵ But I wish that God would talk and say something to answer you!

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 11:6

ULT

⁶ that he would show you the secrets of wisdom! For he is great in understanding. Know then that God demands from you less than your iniquity deserves.

UST

⁶ God knows everything about everything, so I wish that he would tell you the secrets that he knows because he is wise. It would be good if you realized that God is punishing you less than you deserve!

What does Zophar say that God has demanded from Job?

He said God has demanded less from Job than his iniquity deserved.

Job 11:7

ULT

⁷ Can you understand God by searching for him? Can you comprehend the Almighty perfectly?

UST

⁷ Tell me, will you ever be able to find out the things about God that are very difficult to understand? Will you be able to find out everything that there is to know about Almighty God?

Does Zophar think that Job could possibly understand God? (vv7-9)

Zophar thinks that it is impossible because God is high as the heaven, deeper than sheol, longer than the earth, and wider than the sea.

Job 11:8

ULT

⁸ The matter is as high as heaven; what can you do? It is deeper than Sheol; what can you know?

UST

⁸ What there is to know about God is greater than the distance from earth to heaven; so there is no way that you can understand it all. It is greater than the distance from here to the place of the dead; so it is impossible for you to know it all.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 11:9

ULT

⁹ Its measure is longer than the earth, and wider than the sea.

UST

⁹ What there is to know about God is wider than the earth and wider than the ocean.

Job 11:10

ULT

¹⁰ If he passes through and shuts anyone up, if he calls anyone to judgment, then who can stop him?

UST

¹⁰ If God comes to you and puts you in prison and then brings you to a trial, who can stop him?

Does Zophar think that it is possible for anyone to stop God? (vv10-11)

It is impossible to stop God because he knows false people and notices iniquity.

Job 11:11

ULT

¹¹ For he knows false people; when he sees iniquity, does he not notice it?

UST

¹¹ He knows which people are worthless; and when he sees people doing wicked things, he certainly does not ignore them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 11:12

ULT

¹² But foolish people have no understanding; they will get it when a wild donkey gives birth to a man.

UST

¹² Stupid people like you will start to become wise when wild donkeys start giving birth to people.

When does Zophar say foolish people will have understanding?

They will have understanding when a wild donkey gives birth to a man.

Job 11:13

ULT

¹³ But suppose that you had set your heart right and had reached out with your hands toward God;

UST

¹³ Job, repent and make your heart humble; reach out your hands toward God and plead with him.

Job 11:14

ULT

¹⁴ suppose that iniquity were in your hand, but that then you put it far away from you, and did not let unrighteousness live in your tents.

UST

¹⁴ If you have done evil things, stop doing them; and do not allow any people in your house to do wicked deeds.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 11:15

ULT

¹⁵ Then you would certainly lift up your face without a sign of shame; indeed, you would be steadfast and would not fear.

UST

¹⁵ If you do that, surely you will be able to carry your head high, because you will not be ashamed; you will be strong and not afraid of anything.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 11:16

ULT

¹⁶ You would forget your misery; you would remember it only like waters that have flowed away.

UST

¹⁶ You will forget all your troubles; they will be like the water that has all flowed away and dried up.

What does Zophar say would happen to Job's misery if he truly put away his iniquity? Job would forget his misery and remember it only like waters that have flowed away.

Job 11:17

ULT

¹⁷ Your life would be brighter than the noonday; though there were darkness, it would become like the morning.

UST

¹⁷ Your troubles will be ended, like the darkness ends at the dawn; it will be as though the sun were shining brightly on you, like it shines at noon.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 11:18

ULT

¹⁸ You would be secure because there is hope; indeed, you would find safety about you and would take your rest in safety.

UST

¹⁸ You will feel safe, because you will be confident that good things will happen to you; God will protect you and allow you to rest safely each night.

Why would Job be secure if he put away his iniquity?

He would be secure because there would be hope.

Job 11:19

ULT

¹⁹ Also you would lie down in rest, and none would make you afraid; indeed, many would seek your favor.

UST

¹⁹ You will lie down to sleep, and no one will make you afraid. And many people will come and request you to be kind to them.

Job 11:20

ULT

 20 But the eyes of wicked people will fail; they will have no way to flee; their only hope will be a last gasp of life."

UST

²⁰ But wicked people will not be able to understand why bad things are happening to them; they will not have any way to escape from their troubles. The only thing that they will want to do is to die. "

What does Zophar say is the only hope of wicked people?

Their only hope will be a last gasp of life.

Job 12

Job 12:1

ULT

¹ Then Job answered and said,

UST

¹ Then Job said to his three friends,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 12:2

ULT

² "No doubt you are the people; wisdom will die with you.

UST

² "There is no doubt that you are the people to whom everyone should listen, and that when you die, there will be no more wise people alive.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 12:3

ULT

³ But I have understanding as well as you; I am not inferior to you. Indeed, who does not know such things as these?

UST

³ But I have as much good sense as you do; I am no less wise than you are. Certainly everyone knows all that you have said.

How does Job compare himself to his friends?

He says he also has understanding and is not inferior to them.

Job 12:4

ULT

⁴ I am something for my neighbor to laugh at— I, one who called on God and who was answered by him! I, a just and blameless man—I am now something to laugh at.

UST

⁴ My friends all laugh at me now. Previously I habitually requested God to help me, and he always answered me. I am righteous, and I honor God, but now everyone laughs at me.

What do Job's neighbors think of him now?

They laugh at him.

Job 12:5

ULT

⁵ In the thought of someone who is at ease, there is contempt for misfortune; he thinks in a way that brings more misfortune to those whose foot is slipping.

UST

⁵ It is easy for people like you, who have no troubles, to laugh at people like me; you make us who are already suffering to have even more troubles.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 12:6

ULT

⁶ The tents of robbers prosper, and those who provoke God feel secure; their own hands are their gods.

UST

⁶ Meanwhile, bandits live peacefully, and no one threatens those who cause God to become angry; the god they worship is their own strength.

Job 12:7

ULT

⁷ But now ask the beasts, and they will teach you; ask the birds of the heavens, and they will tell you.

UST

⁷ But ask the wild animals what they know about God; if they could speak they would teach you. If you could ask the birds, they would tell you.

Who does Job think could teach his friends? (vv7-8)

The beasts, the birds, the earth, and the fish of the sea could teach his friends.

Job 12:8

ULT

⁸ Or speak to the earth, and it will teach you; the fish of the sea will declare to you.

UST

⁸ If you could ask the creatures that crawl on the ground, or the fish in the sea, they would tell you about God.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 12:9

ULT

⁹ Which animal among all these does not know that the hand of Yahweh has done this?

UST

⁹ All of them certainly know that it is Yahweh who has done this.

What do all of the animals know?

They know that the hand of Yayweh has given them life.

Job 12:10

ULT

¹⁰ In his hand is the life of every living thing and the breath of all mankind.

UST

¹⁰ He directs the lives of all living creatures; he gives breath to all us humans to enable us to live.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 12:11

ULT

¹¹ Does not the ear test words just as the palate tastes its food?

UST

¹¹ When we hear what people like you say, we think carefully about what they say to determine what is good and what is bad, like we taste food to know what is good and what is bad.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 12:12

ULT

¹² With aged men is wisdom; in length of days is understanding.

UST

¹² Old people are usually very wise; because they have lived a long time, they understand much.

What does Job say about aged men and understanding?

Aged men have wisdom, and in length of days is understanding.

Job 12:13

ULT

¹³ With God are wisdom and might; he has counsel and understanding.

UST

¹³ And God is wise and very powerful; he has good sense and understands everything.

Job 12:14

ULT

¹⁴ See, he breaks down, and it cannot be built again; if he imprisons someone, there can be no release.

UST

¹⁴ If he tears something down, no one can rebuild it; if he puts someone in prison, no one can open the door to let that person to escape.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 12:15

ULT

¹⁵ See, if he withholds the waters, they dry up; and if he sends them out, they overwhelm the land.

UST

¹⁵ When he prevents rain from falling, everything dries up. When he causes a lot of rain to fall, the result is that there are floods.

What does God do with the waters?

He with holds them and they dry up, and he sends them out and they overwhelm the land.

Job 12:16

ULT

¹⁶ With him are strength and wisdom; people who are deceived and the deceiver are both in his power.

UST

¹⁶ He is the one who is truly strong and wise; he rules over those who deceive others and those whom they deceive.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 12:17

ULT

¹⁷ He leads counselors away barefoot in sorrow; he turns judges into fools.

UST

¹⁷ He sometimes causes the king's officials to lose their wisdom and grieve because of it' and he causes judges to become foolish.

Job 12:18

ULT

¹⁸ He takes off the chain of authority from kings; he wraps a cloth about their waists.

UST

¹⁸ He takes from kings the ornaments that they wear and puts loincloths around their waists, causing them to become slaves.

What does God take from kings?

He takes off the chain of authority from them.

Job 12:19

ULT

¹⁹ He leads priests away barefoot in sorrow and overthrows mighty people.

UST

¹⁹ He also makes priests grieve, and he takes power away from those who rule others.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 12:20

ULT

²⁰ He removes the speech of those who had been trusted and takes away the understanding of the elders.

UST

²⁰ He sometimes causes those whom others trust to be unable to speak, and he causes old men to no longer have good sense.

What does Job say about God does to the trustworthy and the elders?

He removes the speech of the trustworthy, and takes away the understanding of elders.

Job 12:21

ULT

²¹ He pours contempt upon princes and unfastens the belt of strong people.

UST

²¹ He causes people to despise those who rule, and he causes those who are powerful to become weak.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 12:22

ULT

²² He reveals the deep things of darkness and brings deep shadows into the light.

UST

²² He shows to us things that were secret, even things that were in the world of the dead.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 12:23

ULT

²³ He makes nations strong, and he also destroys them; He enlarges nations, and he also leads them along as prisoners.

UST

²³ He causes some nations to become very great, and later he destroys them; he causes the territory of some nations to become much larger, and later he brings others to defeat them and take them prisoner.

What does Job say about God does to nations?

He makes them strong or destroys them, and enlarges them or leads them along as prisoners.

Job 12:24

ULT

²⁴ He takes away understanding from the leaders of the people of the earth; he causes them to wander in a wilderness where there is no path.

UST

²⁴ He causes some rulers to become foolish, and then he causes them to wander around, lost, as if they were in the wilderness with no way out.

What happens to the leaders of the people of the earth when God takes away their understanding?

He causes them them to wander in a wilderness where there is no path.

Job 12:25

ULT

²⁵ They grope in the dark without light; he makes them stagger like a drunk man.

UST

²⁵ It is as if they were feeling around in the darkness, without any light; as if they were drunk, not knowing what they should do."

Job 13

Job 13:1

ULT

¹ See, my eye has seen all this; my ear has heard and understood it.

UST

¹ "I have seen everything that you have seen, and I have heard and understood all that you have said.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 13:2

ULT

² What you know, the same I also know; I am not inferior to you.

UST

² What you know, I also know; I do not know less than you.

How does Job say his knowledge compares to that of his friends?

Job says that he know the same as they know, and he is not inferior to them.

Job 13:3

ULT

³ However, I would rather speak with the Almighty; I wish to reason with God.

UST

³ But I would like to speak with Almighty God, not with you; I would like to argue with him and show him that I am innocent.

Who would Job like to talk to instead of his friends and why?

He would rather speak to the Almighty because Job wants to reason with God.

Job 13:4

ULT

⁴ But you whitewash the truth with lies; you are all physicians of no value.

UST

⁴ As for you, you tell lies and do not allow people to know unpleasant truth, like someone who covers up the bad surface of a wall with whitewash. You are all like doctors who sell people useless medicine.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 13:5

ULT

⁵ Oh, that you would altogether hold your peace! That would be your wisdom.

UST

⁵ I wish that you would be silent; that would be wiser than anything you have said to me.

What does Job say his friends do with truth?

They whitewash the truth with lies.

Job 13:6

ULT

⁶ Hear now my own reasoning; listen to the pleading of my own lips.

UST

⁶ Listen to what I will say to you now; listen while I am saying what is true about myself.

What does Job want his friends to hear?

He wants them to listen to the pleading of his lips.

Job 13:7

ULT

⁷ Will you speak unrighteously for God, and will you talk deceitfully for him?

UST

⁷ You are telling lies to help God; you are saying what is false in order to help him!

Job 13:8

ULT

⁸ Will you show him partiality? Will you argue the case for God?

UST

⁸ You would really like to be kind to him by defending what he does, would you not? It is as if you were trying to prove in a court that he is innocent!

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 13:9

ULT

⁹ Will it be good for you when he searches you out? Could you deceive him as you might deceive men?

UST

⁹ But if he, sitting as the judge, looked closely at you, he would find that what you are doing for him is bad! You have deceived other people, but do not think that you can lie about him in court and say that you are defending him!

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 13:10

ULT

¹⁰ He would surely reprove you if in secret you showed partiality.

UST

¹⁰ If you say clever things to persuade God to take your side, he will surely rebuke you.

Would God approval if Job's friends showed favoritism to God?

No, he would reprove them if they showed favoritism to him.

Job 13:11

ULT

¹¹ Will not his majesty terrify you, and the dread of him fall upon you?

UST

¹¹ He will certainly bring the full force of his power against you; you will become very afraid of him.

Job 13:12

ULT

¹² Your memorable sayings are proverbs made of ashes; your defenses are defenses made of clay.

UST

¹² What you have said—the things that you think are so wise—are as useless as ashes; what you say to defend how you think is no better than clay that quickly crumbles.

What does Job think about his friends' sayings and defenses?

He says their sayings are proverbs made of ashes, and their defenses are made of clay.

Job 13:13

ULT

¹³ Hold your peace, let me alone, so that I may speak, let come what may on me.

UST

¹³ So be quiet and allow me to speak; after that, it will not matter what happens to me.

What does Job ask his friends to do so that he may speak?

Job asks them to hold their peace and let him alone.

Job 13:14

ULT

¹⁴ I will take my own flesh in my teeth; I will take my life in my hands.

UST

¹⁴ I am ready to risk my life; I am even willing to risk that God will execute me for what I say.

Job 13:15

ULT

¹⁵ See, if he kills me, I will have no hope left; nevertheless, I will defend my ways before him.

UST

¹⁵ If he kills me, then I will not have anyone else whom I can confidently expect to help me, but I am going to defend my behavior in his presence anyway.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 13:16

ULT

¹⁶ This will be the reason for my deliverance, for no godless person would come before him.

UST

¹⁶ No wicked person would dare to stand in the presence of God, but because I say that I have not done things that are wrong, perhaps, if I can prove that to God, he will declare me innocent."

Why does Job think that he would be acquitted?

He does not come before God like a godless man.

Job 13:17

ULT

¹⁷ God, listen carefully to my speech; let my declaration come to your ears.

UST

¹⁷ "God, listen very carefully to what I say; pay attention to me.

Job 13:18

ULT

¹⁸ See now, I have set my defense in order; I know that I am innocent.

UST

¹⁸ I am ready to argue that I am innocent, and I know that you also will declare that I am not guilty.

What has Job set in order?

He has set his defense in order.

Job 13:19

ULT

¹⁹ Who is the one who would argue against me in court? If you came to do so, and if I were proved wrong, then I would be silent and give up my life.

UST

¹⁹ I certainly do not think that you or anyone else will say that what I say is false; if you did so, then I would speak no more, and I would die.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 13:20

ULT

²⁰ God, do only two things for me, and then I will not hide myself from your face:

UST

²⁰ I am requesting you to do two things for me; if you do them, I will not try to hide from you.

Job 13:21

ULT

²¹ withdraw your oppressive hand from me, and do not let your terrors make me afraid.

UST

²¹ The first thing that I request is that you stop punishing me, and the second thing that I request is that you stop terrifying me.

What does Job want God to withdraw from him?

Job wants God to withdraw his oppressive hand from Job.

Job 13:22

ULT

²² Then call me, and I will answer; or let me speak to you, and you answer me.

UST

²² Speak first, and then I will reply; or allow me to speak first, and then you reply.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 13:23

ULT

²³ How many are my iniquities and sins? Let me know my transgression and my sin.

UST

²³ What have I done that is wrong? What sins have I committed? Show me how I have disobeyed you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 13:24

ULT

²⁴ Why do you hide your face from me and treat me like your enemy?

UST

²⁴ Why do you refuse to be friendly to me? Why do you act toward me as though I were your enemy?

Who does God treat Job like?

He treats Job like his enemy.

Job 13:25

ULT

²⁵ Will you persecute a driven leaf? Will you pursue dry stubble?

UST

²⁵ I am as insignificant as a leaf that the wind blows. Why are you trying to make me afraid? Why are you making me suffer? After all, I am as useless as a bit of dry chaff!

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 13:26

ULT

²⁶ For you write down bitter things against me; you make me inherit the iniquities of my youth.

UST

²⁶ It seems that you are writing things to accuse me of having sinned, and that you are writing down even the bad things I did when I was young.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 13:27

ULT

²⁷ You also put my feet in the stocks; you closely watch all my paths; you examine the ground where the soles of my feet have walked

UST

²⁷ It is as though you have put my feet in stocks and that you were watching me wherever I walk; it is as though you were following my footprints to see where I have gone.

Job 13:28

ULT

²⁸ although I am like a rotten thing that wastes away, like a garment that moths have eaten.

UST

²⁸ Because of this, my body is falling apart like rotten wood, like a piece of cloth that the larvae of moths are eating.

What useless things does Job say he is like?

He is like a rotten thing that wastes away, like a garment that moths have eaten.

Job 14

Job 14:1

ULT

¹ Man, who is born of woman, lives only a few days and is full of trouble.

UST

¹ We humans are very frail. We are born, and we live only a short time; we experience much trouble.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 14:2

ULT

² He sprouts from the ground like a flower and is cut down; he flees like a shadow and does not last.

UST

² We disappear quickly, like flowers that grow from the ground quickly and then wither and die. We are like shadows that disappear when the sun stops shining.

How does Job say man is like a flower?

Man sprouts from the ground like a flower, and is cut down.

Job 14:3

ULT

³ Do you look at any of these? Do you bring me into judgment with you?

UST

³ Yahweh, why do you keep watching me to see if I am doing something that is wrong? Do you want to take me to court to judge me?

Job 14:4

ULT

⁴ Who can bring something clean out of something unclean? No one.

UST

⁴ No one can bring something acceptable to God out of something that is not acceptable to him.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 14:5

ULT

⁵ Man's days are determined. The number of his months is with you; you have appointed his limits that he cannot pass.

UST

⁵ You have decided how long our lives will be. You have decided how many months we will live, and we cannot live longer than the time that you have decided.

Who decides the lifespan of man?

God has determined his days and the number of his months.

Job 14:6

ULT

⁶ Look away from him that he may rest, so that he may enjoy his day like a hired man if he can do so.

UST

⁶ So please stop examining us, and allow us to be alone so that we might enjoy our life of hard labor, if a hired worker can possibly do so.

Job 14:7

ULT

⁷ There can be hope for a tree; if it is cut down, it might sprout again, so that its tender stalk does not disappear.

UST

⁷ If we cut a tree down, sometimes we hope that it will sprout again and grow new branches.

What does Job say about a tree that has been cut down?

There can be hope for a tree that has been cut down, for it can sprout again.

Job 14:8

ULT

⁸ Though its root grows old in the earth, and its stump dies in the ground,

UST

⁸ Its roots in the ground may be very old, and its stump may decay,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 14:9

ULT

⁹ yet even if it only smells water, it will bud and send out branches like a plant.

UST

⁹ but if some water falls on it, it may bud and send up shoots like a young plant.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 14:10

ULT

¹⁰ But man dies; he becomes weak; indeed, man stops breathing, and then where is he?

UST

¹⁰ But when we people lose all our strength and die, we stop breathing, and then we are gone forever.

Job 14:11

ULT

¹¹ As water disappears from a lake, and as a river loses water and dries up,

UST

¹¹ Just as water evaporates from a lake, or as a riverbed dries up,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 14:12

ULT

¹² so people lie down and do not rise again. Until the heavens are no more, they will not awake nor be roused out of their sleep.

UST

¹² people lie down and die and do not get up again. Until the heavens do not exist any longer; people who die do not wake up, and no one can wake them up.

Does Job say a man can live again?

He says that that people do not rise up again, and will not be roused out of their sleep.

Job 14:13

ULT

¹³ Oh, that you would hide me away in Sheol away from troubles, and that you would keep me in private until your wrath is over, that you would set me a fixed time to stay there and then call me to mind!

UST

¹³ Yahweh, I wish that you would put me safely in the place of the dead and forget about me, so that I do not suffer any more until you are no longer angry with me. I wish that you would decide how much time I would spend there, and then remember that I am there.

Where does Job wish would God would hide him?

Job wants God to hide him away in sheol away from troubles.

Job 14:14

ULT

¹⁴ If a man dies, will he live again? If so, I would wish to wait all my weary time there until my release should come.

UST

¹⁴ When we humans die, we will certainly not live again. If I knew that we would live again, I would wait patiently for you to release me from my sufferings.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 14:15

ULT

¹⁵ You would call, and I would answer you. You would have a desire for the work of your hands.

UST

¹⁵ You would call me, and I would answer. You would be eager to see me, one of the creatures that you had made.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

lob 14:16

ULT

¹⁶ You would number and care for my footsteps; you would not keep track of my sin.

UST

¹⁶ You would carefully see where I went, and you would not be interested in seeing whether I sinned or not.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 14:17

ULT

¹⁷ My transgression would be sealed up in a bag; you would cover up my iniquity.

UST

¹⁷ The record of my sins would be sealed in a small bag, and you would cover them.

How would God treat Job's transgression and iniquity if God's wrath was finished? God would seal up Job's transgression in a bag, and cover up Job's iniquity.

Job 14:18

ULT

¹⁸ But even mountains fall and come to nothing; even rocks are moved out of their place;

UST

¹⁸ But, just as mountains crumble and rocks fall down from a cliff,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 14:19

ULT

¹⁹ the waters wear down the stones; their flooding washes away the dust of the earth. Like this, you destroy the hope of man.

UST

¹⁹ and just as water slowly wears away the stones, and just as floods wash away soil, you eventually destroy us; you do not allow us to continue to hope that we will keep on living.

What amazing thing can water do over time?

It can wear down the stones.

Job 14:20

ULT

²⁰ You always defeat him, and he passes away; you change his face and send him away to die.

UST

²⁰ You always defeat us, and then we die. You cause our faces to look ugly after we die, and you send us away.

How does it affect a dead man if his sons are honored or brought low?

If they come to honor, he does not know it, and if they are brought low, he does not see it happen.

Job 14:21

ULT

²¹ If his sons are honored, he does not know it; and if they are brought low, he does not see it.

UST

²¹ When we die, we do not know if our sons will grow up and do things that will cause other people to honor them. Or if they become disgraced, we do not know that either.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 14:22

ULT

²² He feels only the pain of his own body, and he mourns for himself.

UST

²² We will feel our own pain; we will not feel anything else; we will be sorry for ourselves, not for anyone else."

Job 15

Job 15:1

ULT

¹ Then Eliphaz the Temanite answered and said,

UST

¹ Then Eliphaz replied to Job:

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 15:2

ULT

² "Should a wise man answer with useless knowledge and fill himself with the east wind?

UST

² "If you were truly wise, you would not have replied to us by claiming that you know a lot; what you are saying is just a lot of hot air.

With what should a wise man not fill himself?

He should not fill himself with the east wind.

Job 15:3

ULT

³ Should he reason with unprofitable talk or with speeches with which he can do no good?

UST

³ You should not be saying things that do not benefit anyone; you should not say things that do no one any good.

Job 15:4

ULT

⁴ Indeed, you diminish respect for God; you obstruct devotion to him,

UST

⁴ You are teaching others not to respect God, and you are keeping them from honoring him.

How does Eliphaz think that Job's statements dishonored God?

He thinks Job diminishes respect for God, and obstructs devotion to him.

Job 15:5

ULT

⁵ for your iniquity teaches your mouth; you choose to have the tongue of a crafty man.

UST

⁵ You are wicked, and that is why you say what you do; you talk like deceptive people talk.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 15:6

ULT

⁶ Your own mouth condemns you, not mine; indeed, your own lips testify against you.

UST

⁶ Everything that you say shows that God should punish you; it is not necessary for me to prove that.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 15:7

ULT

⁷ Are you the first man that was born? Were you brought into existence before the hills?

UST

⁷ Tell me, why do you think you know so much? You do not think that you were the first person who was ever born, do you? You do not think that you were born before God created the mountains, do you?

Job 15:8



⁸ Have you heard the secret knowledge of God? Do you limit wisdom to yourself?

UST

⁸ Were you listening when God made all his plans? Do you think that you are the only person who is wise?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 15:9

ULT

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

UST

⁹ What do you know that we others do not know? You do not understand anything that is not also clear to us.

Does Eliphaz think that Job knows something that the other friends do not know?

He does not thing that Job knows what they do not know, or that he understands what is not also in them.

Job 15:10

ULT

¹⁰ With us are both the gray-headed and the very aged men who are much older than your father.

UST

¹⁰ My friends and I are also wise; we acquired wisdom from old gray-haired people, from people who were born before your father was.

Which people does Eliphaz say agree with Job's friends?

The gray-headed and very aged men who are older than Job's father are with Eliphaz and his friends.

Job 15:11

ULT

¹¹ Are the consolations of God too small for you, the words that are gentle toward you?

UST

¹¹ God wants to comfort you and to speak gently to you; that should be enough for you, but it is not enough, is it?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 15:12

ULT

¹² Why does your heart carry you away? Why do your eyes flash,

UST

¹² Why do you allow yourself to be excited by your emotions? Why do your eyes flash with anger?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 15:13

ULT

¹³ so that you turn your spirit against God and bring out such words from your mouth?

UST

¹³ You are angry with God, and so you say harsh things against him.

What does Eliphaz think Job's spirit has done?

He thinks Job's has turned his spirit against God.

Job 15:14

ULT

¹⁴ What is man that he should be clean? What is he who is born of a woman that he should be righteous?

UST

¹⁴ How can any person, including you, be sinless? How can anyone on the earth be completely righteous?

Job 15:15

ULT

¹⁵ See, God puts no trust even in his holy ones; indeed, the heavens are not clean in his sight;

UST

¹⁵ God does not even trust his angels; he does not consider the heavens to be completely pure.

How does God view his holy ones and the heavens?

He puts no trust even in his holy ones, and the heavens are not clean in his sight.

Job 15:16

ULT

¹⁶ how much less clean is one who is abominable and corrupt, a man who drinks iniquity like water!

UST

¹⁶ So he certainly does not trust disgusting people, those who commit evil deeds as often as they drink water.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 15:17

ULT

¹⁷ I will show you; listen to me; I will announce to you the things I have seen,

UST

¹⁷ Job, listen to what I tell you. I will declare to you what I know,

From whom did Eliphaz get the things he will announce to Job? (vv17-18)

The things he has seen are things that wise men passed down from their fathers, and things that ancestors did not hide.

Job 15:18

ULT

¹⁸ the things that wise men have passed down from their fathers, the things that their ancestors did not hide.

UST

¹⁸ things that wise men have told me, truths that their ancestors did not keep hidden.

Job 15:19

ULT

¹⁹ These were their ancestors, to whom alone the land was given, and among whom no stranger ever passed.

UST

¹⁹ (God gave this land to those ancestors who were truly wise; no one from another country came and caused them to think wrongly about God.)

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 15:20

ULT

²⁰ The wicked man twists in pain all his days, the number of years that are laid up for the oppressor to suffer.

UST

²⁰ Wicked people suffer with great pain all the time that they are alive; that is what happens to those who oppress others.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 15:21

ULT

²¹ A sound of terrors is in his ears; while he is in prosperity, the destroyer will come upon him.

UST

²¹ They constantly hear sounds that terrify them; while they are prospering, robbers attack them.

When will they destroyer come upon the wicked man?

The destroyer will come upon him while he is in his prosperity.

Job 15:22

ULT

²² He does not think that he will return out of darkness; the sword waits for him.

UST

²² Wicked people do not really think that they will escape from darkness; they are sure that someone is waiting to kill them with a sword.

What waits for the wicked man?

The sword waits for the wicked man.

Job 15:23

ULT

²³ He goes to various places for bread, saying, 'Where is it?' He knows that the day of darkness is at hand.

UST

²³ They wander around, searching for food, saying 'Where can I find some?' They know that they will soon experience disasters.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 15:24

ULT

²⁴ Distress and anguish make him afraid; they prevail against him, as a king ready for battle.

UST

²⁴ Because they are afraid of those things happening to them, they worry that these things will attack them as a king's army waits to attack its enemies and causes them to suffer.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 15:25

ULT

²⁵ Because he has reached out with his hand against God and has behaved proudly against the Almighty,

UST

²⁵ These things happen to them because they shook their fists against Almighty God and thought that they were strong enough to defeat him.

Job 15:26

ULT

²⁶ this wicked man runs at God with a stiff neck, with a thick shield.

UST

²⁶ They stubbornly rush to attack God thinking that a strong shield will protect them.

With what does the wicked man run against God?

He runs at God with a stiff neck and a thick shield.

Job 15:27

ULT

²⁷ This is true, even though he has covered his face with his fat and gathered fat on his loins,

UST

²⁷ But they are so fat that they are unable to fight.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 15:28

ULT

²⁸ and has lived in desolate cities; in houses which no man inhabits now and which were ready to become heaps.

UST

²⁸ They have lived in cities that have been abandoned, cities which God declared would become a heap of ruins.

What will happen to the cities and houses of the wicked man?

They are ready to become heaps.

Job 15:29

ULT

²⁹ He will not be rich; his wealth will not last and his possessions will not spread over the land.

UST

²⁹ But they will not remain rich very long; Others will take everything that they own, and even their shadows will disappear from the earth.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 15:30

ULT

³⁰ He will not depart out of darkness; $^{[1]}$ a flame will dry up his stalks; at the breath of God's mouth he will go away. $^{[2]}$

UST

³⁰ They will not escape from the darkness of death; they will be like trees whose branches burn up. When God gives the command, they will die.

What will cause the wicked to go away?

He will go away at the breath of God's mouth.

Job 15:31

ULT

³¹ Let him not trust in useless things, deceiving himself; for uselessness will be his reward.

UST

³¹ If they are very foolish, with the result that they trust in things that are really worthless, then things that are worthless will be all that they get.

What reward will the wicked man have for trusting in useless things?

Uselessness will be his reward.

Job 15:32

ULT

³² It will happen before his time should come to die; his branch will not be green.

UST

³² While they are still young, they will disappear; they will be like branches that wither and never become green again.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 15:33

ULT

³³ He will drop his unripe grapes like a grapevine; he will cast off his flowers like the olive tree.

UST

³³ They will be like vines whose grapes fall off before they are ripe, like olive trees whose blossoms fall off before they produce any fruit.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 15:34

ULT

³⁴ For the company of godless people will be barren; fire will consume their tents of bribery.

UST

³⁴ Groups of wicked people will not have any descendants, and fires will completely burn up the homes of those who took money from bribes.

What will happen to the company of godless people?

It will be barren, and fire will consume their tents of bribery.

Job 15:35

ULT

³⁵ They conceive mischief and give birth to iniquity; their womb conceives deceit."

15:30 [1], because they believe that this expression was mistakenly copied from 15:22.

15:30 $^{[2]}$, which some modern versions, including the ULT and UST, interpret as meaning the breath of God's mouth. However, other modern versions follow an ancient Greek reading, .

UST

³⁵ They plan to cause trouble and to do evil things, and in their hearts they are always preparing to deceive people."

Job 16

Job 16:1

ULT

¹ Then Job answered and said,

UST

¹ Job replied to Eliphaz and the others,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 16:2

ULT

² "I have heard many such things; you are all miserable comforters.

UST

² "I have heard things like that before; all of you, instead of helping me, are only causing me to feel more miserable.

What did Job say about the comfort of his friends? (vv2-3)

Job said they were miserable comforters using useless words.

Job 16:3

ULT

³ Will useless words ever have an end? What is wrong with you that you answer like this?

UST

³ Will your speeches, which are only wind, never end? Eliphaz, what bothers you that makes you continue replying like this to me?

Job 16:4

ULT

⁴ I also could speak as you do, if you were in my place; I could collect and join words together against you and shake my head at you in mockery.

UST

⁴ If it were you three and not I who were suffering, I could, in your place, say the things that you are saying. I could make great speeches to criticize you, and I could shake my head at you to ridicule you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 16:5

ULT

⁵ I would strengthen you with my mouth, and the quivering of my lips will bring you relief!

UST

⁵ Then you would see whether my words encouraged you or not; you would see whether they made you feel your pain less.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

lob 16:6

ULT

⁶ If I speak, my grief is not lessened; if I keep from speaking, how am I helped?

UST

⁶ But now, if I talk, my pain does not decrease, and if I am silent, my pain still certainly does not go away.

How does Job's speaking affect his grief?

If he speaks, his grief is not lessened, and if he keeps from speaking, his is not helped.

Job 16:7

ULT

⁷ But now, God, you have made me weary; you have made all my family desolate.

UST

⁷ God, you have now taken away all my strength; you have destroyed all my family.

Job 16:8

ULT

⁸ You have made me dry up, which itself is a witness against me; the leanness of my body rises up against me, and it testifies against my face.

UST

⁸ You have shriveled me up, and people think that shows me to be a sinner. They see that I am only skin and bones, and they think that proves that I am guilty.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 16:9

ULT

⁹ God has torn me in his wrath and persecuted me; He grinds his teeth in rage; my enemy fastens his eyes on me as he tears me apart.

UST

⁹ Because God is very angry with me and hates me, it is as though he were a wild animal that tore me apart with his teeth because he was my enemy.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 16:10

ULT

¹⁰ People have gaped with open mouth at me; they have hit me reproachfully on the cheek; they have gathered together against me.

UST

¹⁰ People gape at me with their mouths open to sneer at me; they have struck me on the face to ridicule me, and they crowd around me to threaten me.

How are other people treating Job as God attacks him?

They gape at Job with open mouth, hit him reproachfully on the cheek, and gather together against him.

Job 16:11

ULT

¹¹ God hands me over to ungodly people, and throws me into the hands of wicked people.

UST

¹¹ It is as though God has handed me over to people who refuse to honor him and has put me into the power of the wicked.

To whom has God given Job?

God handed him over to ungodly, and threw him into the hands of wicked people.

Job 16:12

ULT

¹² I was at ease, and he broke me apart. Indeed, he has taken me by the neck and dashed me to pieces; he has also set me up as his target.

UST

¹² Previously, I was living peacefully, but he crushed me; it is as though he grabbed my neck and smashed me to pieces; it is as though he set me up like a target.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 16:13

ULT

¹³ His archers surround me all around; God pierces my kidneys and does not spare me; he pours out my bile on the ground.

UST

¹³ It is as though I were a target, and that people were surrounding me and shooting arrows at me. God's arrows pierce my kidneys and cause the bile from my liver to spill onto the ground; God does not pity me at all.

How has God injured Job?

He has pierced Job's kidneys and poured out his bile on the ground.

Job 16:14

ULT

¹⁴ He smashes through my wall again and again; he runs upon me like a warrior.

UST

¹⁴ It is as though I were a wall that he is breaking through time after time; he rushes at me like a soldier who is attacking his enemy.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 16:15

ULT

¹⁵ I have sewn sackcloth on my skin; I have thrust my horn into the ground.

UST

¹⁵ Because I am mourning, I wear pieces of rough cloth that I have sewed together, and I sit here in the dirt, very depressed.

What has Job done to his skin to show his grief?

He has sewn sackcloth on his skin.

Job 16:16

ULT

¹⁶ My face is red with weeping; on my eyelids is the shadow of death

UST

¹⁶ My face is red because I have cried very much, and there are dark circles around my eyes.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 16:17

ULT

¹⁷ although there is no violence in my hands, and my prayer is pure.

UST

¹⁷ All this has happened to me even though I have not acted violently toward anyone, and even though I always pray sincerely to God.

Job 16:18

ULT

¹⁸ Earth, do not cover up my blood; let my cry have no resting place.

UST

¹⁸ When I die, I want the ground to act as though I had been murdered; I want it to cry out against those who killed me, and I do not want anyone to stop me while I am demanding that God act justly toward me.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 16:19

ULT

¹⁹ Even now, see, my witness is in heaven; he who vouches for me is on high.

UST

¹⁹ But even now, I know that there is someone in heaven who will testify for me, and he will say that what I have done is right.

Who is Job's witness and able to vouch for Job?

Job's witness is in heaven, and the one who is for him is on high.

Job 16:20

ULT

²⁰ My friends scoff at me, but my eye pours out tears to God.

UST

²⁰ My three friends scorn me, but my eyes are full of tears while I cry out to God.

Who does Job turn to as his friends scoff at him?

Job pours out his tears to God.

Job 16:21

ULT

²¹ I ask for that witness in heaven to argue for this man with God as a man does with his neighbor!

UST

²¹ I pray that the one who knows what I have done would come to plead with God for me as a person pleads for his friend.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 16:22

ULT

²² For when a few years have passed, I will go to a place from where I will not return.

UST

²² I say this because within a few years I will die; I will walk along the road to a place from which I will never return."

Job 17

Job 17:1

ULT

¹ My spirit is consumed, and my days are over; the grave is ready for me.

UST

¹ "My time to live is almost ended; I have no strength left; those who have dug my grave are waiting for me.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 17:2

ULT

² Surely there are mockers with me; my eye must always see their provocation.

UST

² Those who are around me are making fun of me; I must always see them mocking me."

What must Job always see?

He must always see the provocation of the mockers who are with him.

Job 17:3

ULT

³ Give now a pledge, be a guarantee for me with yourself; who else is there who will help me?

UST

³ "God, it is as though I were in prison; please pay the money in order that I may be released, because there is certainly no one else who will help me.

What pledge does Job want God to make to Job?

He wants God to pledge to be a guarantee with himself for Job.

Job 17:4

ULT

⁴ For you, God, have kept their hearts from understanding; therefore, you will not exalt them over me.

UST

⁴ You have prevented my friends from understanding what is true about me, but you will not allow them to triumph over me, saying that I have done wrong things.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 17:5

ULT

⁵ He who denounces his friends for a reward, the eyes of his children will fail.

UST

⁵ Our ancestors said, 'It often happens that when someone betrays his friends in order to get some of their property, it is that person's children who will be punished for it;' so I desire that will be true of these friends of mine who are lying about me.

Whose evil deed will cause the eyes of his children to fail?

The one who denounces his friends for a reward will cause the eyes of his children to fail.

Job 17:6

ULT

⁶ But he has made me a byword of the people; they spit in my face.

UST

⁶ But now people use that saying of our ancestors when they talk about me; they spit to insult me.

Job 17:7

ULT

⁷ My eye is also dim because of sorrow; all my body parts are as thin as shadows.

UST

⁷ My eyes have become dim because I am very sad, and my arms and legs are as thin as shadows.

What has happened to Job's eye and his body because of sorrow?

His eye is dim and all his body parts are as thin as shadows.

Job 17:8

ULT

⁸ Upright men will be stunned by this; the innocent man will stir himself up against godless men.

UST

⁸ People who are truly righteous will be shocked when they see what has happened to me; they will be angry at those who refuse to honor God.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 17:9

ULT

⁹ The righteous man will keep to his way; he who has clean hands will grow stronger and stronger.

UST

⁹ Those who are truly righteous will continue to do what is right, and those who live righteously will continue to become stronger.

Job 17:10

ULT

¹⁰ But as for you all, come on now; I will not find a wise man among you.

UST

¹⁰ But all you friends of mine, I do not find even one among you who is wise.

Does Job think that he can find a wise man among his friends?

Job does knows that he will not find a wise man among them.

Job 17:11

ULT

¹¹ My days are past; my plans are shattered, and so are the desires of my heart. ^[1]

UST

¹¹ My time to live is almost ended; I have not been able to do the things that I planned to do. As for the things I have most desired, there is no hope of them happening.

Does Job have plans for the future?

Job's plans are over, as are the wishes of his heart.

Job 17:12

ULT

¹² These people, these mockers, change the night into day; light is near to darkness.

UST

¹² My friends do not know when it is night and when it is day; when it is night, they claim that it is daylight; when it is becoming dark, they claim that it is getting light.

Job 17:13

ULT

¹³ If the only home I hope for is Sheol; and if I have spread my couch in the darkness;

UST

¹³ I know that my home will be the place where dead people are, where I will sleep in the darkness.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 17:14

ULT

¹⁴ and if I have said to the pit, 'You are my father,' and to the worm, 'You are my mother or my sister,'

UST

¹⁴ I can say to the grave, 'Where I am buried, that place will be like a father to me.' I can say to the maggots, 'You will be like a mother or younger sisters to me because that is where I will always be.'

What has become Job's father, mother, and sister?

The pit has become his father, and the worm is his mother and sister.

Job 17:15

ULT

¹⁵ where then is my hope? As for my hope, who can see any?

UST

¹⁵ There is certainly no more hope left for me. No one expects that I will have any more happiness.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 17:16

ULT

¹⁶ Will hope go down with me to the gates of Sheol when we descend to the dust?" $17:11^{[1]}$ or . Others have

UST

¹⁶ After I descend to the place where the dead are, I will not be able to expect anything good there. I and the things I hope for will go down together into the soil."

Job 18

Job 18:1

ULT

¹ Then Bildad the Shuhite answered and said,

UST

¹ Then Bildad replied again:

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 18:2

ULT

² "When will you stop your talk? Consider, and afterwards we will speak.

UST

² "Please stop talking! If you would stop talking and listen, we could tell you something.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 18:3

ULT

³ Why are we regarded as beasts, stupid in your sight?

UST

³ Why do you think that we are as stupid as cattle and as unrighteous?

How did Bildad think Job viewed his friends?

Bildad thought Job regarded them as beasts, and thought they were stupid.

Job 18:4

ULT

⁴ You who tear at yourself in your anger, should the earth be forsaken for you or should the rocks be removed out of their places?

UST

⁴ By being very angry, you are only hurting yourself. Do you think that everyone on the earth must leave to prove that you are right, or do you think that God must move the rocks in the mountains to please you?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 18:5

ULT

⁵ Indeed, the light of the wicked person will be put out; the spark of his fire will not shine.

UST

⁵ What will happen is that the lives of wicked people like you end as quickly as we can put out a light or extinguish the flame of a fire.

What will happen to the light of the wicked person?

His light will be put out, and the spark of his fire will not shine.

Job 18:6

ULT

⁶ The light will be dark in his tent; his lamp above him will be put out.

UST

⁶ When the lamps above them in their tents are extinguished, there will be no light in those tents.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 18:7

ULT

⁷ The steps of his strength will be made short; his own plans will cast him down.

UST

⁷ While they are alive, they walk confidently, but later it will be as though they stumbled and fell, because they themselves do not pay attention to the advice that they give to others.

Job 18:8

ULT

⁸ For he will be thrown into a net by his own feet; he will walk into a pitfall.

UST

⁸ It will be as though they had walked into their own net or had fallen into a pit that they themselves dug.

What will throw the wicked man into a net?

He will be thrown into a net by his own feet, and he will walk into a pitfall.

Job 18:9

ULT

⁹ A trap will take him by the heel; a snare will lay hold on him.

UST

⁹ It will be as though a trap had grabbed their heels and held them fast,

What will catch the wicked man? (vv9-10)

He will be caught by a trap, a snare, and a noose.

Job 18:10

ULT

¹⁰ A noose is hidden for him on the ground; and a trap for him in the way.

UST

¹⁰ as though the end of a rope that was hidden on the ground had sprung up and seized them when they walked on it.

Job 18:11

ULT

¹¹ Terrors will make him afraid on every side; they will chase him at his heels.

UST

¹¹ Everywhere they go, there will be things that cause them to be terrified; it will be as though those things were pursuing them and biting at their heels.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 18:12

ULT

¹² His wealth will turn into hunger, and calamity will be ready at his side.

UST

¹² They will become hungry, with the result that they will be strong no longer. They will continually experience disasters.

What will happen to the wealth of the wicked man?

His wealth turn into hunger.

Job 18:13

ULT

¹³ The parts of his body will be devoured; indeed, the firstborn of death will devour his parts.

UST

¹³ Diseases will spread all over their skin; diseases will cause their bodies to decay.

Job 18:14

ULT

¹⁴ He is torn from the safety of his tent and marched off to the king of terrors.

UST

¹⁴ When they die, they will be snatched away from their tents and brought to the one who rules over the dead.

Where will the wicked man no longer live?

He will be torn out of his tent, his home in which he now trusts.

Job 18:15

ULT

¹⁵ People not his own will live in his tent after they see that sulfur is scattered within his home.

UST

¹⁵ Then other people will live in their tents, but only after they sprinkle sulfur on those tents to get rid of the disease!

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 18:16

ULT

¹⁶ His roots will be dried up beneath; above will his branch be cut off.

UST

¹⁶ Because they will die and leave no descendants, they will be like trees whose roots have dried up and whose branches have all withered.

What image does Bildad use to describe what will happen to the wicked man?

He describes the wicked man as a tree whose roots will dry up beneath the ground, and whose branch will be cut off above.

Job 18:17

ULT

¹⁷ His memory will perish from the earth; he will have no name in the street.

UST

¹⁷ No one on the earth will remember them anymore; no one on any street will even remember their names.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 18:18

ULT

 18 He will be driven from light into darkness and be chased out of this world.

UST

¹⁸ They will have to leave the earth, where there is light, and rush into the place where it is dark.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 18:19

ULT

¹⁹ He will have no son or son's son among his people, nor any remaining kinfolk where he had stayed.

UST

¹⁹ They will have no children or grandchildren, no descendants where they will have previously lived.

Will the wicked man have any descendants?

He will have no son or son's son among his people, nor any remaining kinfolk where he had stayed.

Job 18:20

ULT

²⁰ Those who live in the west will be horrified at what happens to him one day; those who live in the east will be frightened by it.

UST

²⁰ People from the east to the west who hear about what happened to them, everyone, will be shocked and horrified.

How do the people respond to what happens to the wicked man?

The people who live in the west will be horrified and the people who live in the east will be frightened.

Job 18:21

ULT

²¹ Surely such are the homes of unrighteous people, the places of those who do not know God."

UST

²¹ This is what happens to unrighteous people like you, people who do not know God."

Job 19

Job 19:1

ULT

¹ Then Job answered and said,

UST

¹ Then Job replied:

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 19:2

ULT

² "How long will you make me suffer and break me into pieces with words?

UST

² "How long will you three torment me and discourage me by calling me wicked?

Into what does Job say his friends have broken him?

Job says they have broken him into pieces of wood.

Job 19:3

ULT

³ These ten times you have reproached me; you are not ashamed that you have treated me harshly.

UST

³ You have insulted me many times; are you not ashamed for saying these things to me?

How many times have Job's friends reproached him?

They have reproached him ten times.

Job 19:4

ULT

⁴ If it is indeed true that I have erred, my error remains my own concern.

UST

⁴ Even if it were true that I had done wrong, I have not injured you!

Whose concern should it be if Job had erred?

Job says the error should be his own concern.

Job 19:5

ULT

⁵ If indeed you will exalt yourselves above me and use my humiliation against me,

UST

⁵ If you truly think that you are better than I am, and if you argue that I must be guilty because I am suffering,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 19:6

ULT

⁶ then you should know that God has done wrong to me and has caught me in his net.

UST

⁶ you should realize that it is God who has caused me to suffer. It is as though he has a net and that he has caught me in it.

How does Job say God has treated him?

Job says God has dome wrong to Job and caught him in God's net.

Job 19:7

ULT

⁷ See, I cry out, "Violence!" but I get no answer. I call out for help, but there is no justice.

UST

⁷ I cry out, 'People are murdering me!', but no one answers me. I call out loudly, but there is no one, not even God, who acts fairly toward me.

What happens when Job calls out for help because he has been wronged?

He is not heard and there is no justice.

Job 19:8

ULT

⁸ He has walled up my way so that I cannot pass, and he has set darkness in my path.

UST

⁸ It is as though God has blocked my road, and I cannot go anywhere; it is as though he has forced me to try to find the road in the darkness.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 19:9

ULT

⁹ He has stripped me of my glory, and he has taken the crown from my head.

UST

⁹ He has taken away my good reputation; it is as though he has removed a crown from my head.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 19:10

ULT

¹⁰ He has broken me down on every side, and I am gone; he has pulled up my hope like a tree.

UST

¹⁰ He batters me from every side, and I will soon die. I no longer expect him to do anything good for me.

Job 19:11

ULT

¹¹ He has also kindled his wrath against me; he regards me as one of his adversaries.

UST

¹¹ He attacks me because he is very angry at me; he considers me to be his enemy.

How has God regarded Job?

He has regarded Job as one of his adversaries.

Job 19:12

ULT

¹² His troops come on together; they cast up siege mounds against me and encamp around my tent.

UST

¹² It is as though he were sending his army to attack me; they surround my tent and get ready to attack me.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 19:13

ULT

¹³ He has put my brothers far from me; my acquaintances are wholly alienated from me.

UST

¹³ God has caused my brothers to abandon me, and for all those who know me to act like strangers to me.

What has happened to all of Job's family and friends? (vv13-14)

God has put his brothers far from him, his acquaintances are alienated, his kinsfolk fail him, and his close friends have forgotten him.

Job 19:14

ULT

¹⁴ My kinsfolk have failed me; my close friends have forgotten me.

UST

¹⁴ All my relatives and good friends have left me.

Job 19:15

ULT

¹⁵ Those who once stayed as guests in my house and my female servants regard me as a stranger; I am an alien in their sight.

UST

¹⁵ The people who were guests in my house have forgotten me, and my female servants consider that I am a foreigner whom they do not know.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 19:16

ULT

¹⁶ I call to my servant, but he gives me no answer although I entreat him with my mouth.

UST

¹⁶ When I summon my servants, they do not answer; When I plead with them to come to help me, they do not come.

How does Job's servant respond to Job when he calls him?

His servant him gives me no answer although he entreats him with his mouth.

Job 19:17

ULT

¹⁷ My breath is offensive to my wife; I am even disgusting to those who were born from my mother's womb.

UST

¹⁷ My breath smells very bad to my wife so she stays away from me, and my brothers detest me.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 19:18

ULT

¹⁸ Even young children despise me; if I rise to speak, they speak against me.

UST

¹⁸ Even young children despise me; when I stand up to talk to them, they laugh at me.

Job 19:19

ULT

¹⁹ All my familiar friends abhor me; those whom I love have turned against me.

UST

¹⁹ My dearest friends detest me, and those whom I love very much have turned against me.

What have those whom Job loves responded to him?

Those whom he loves have turned against him.

Job 19:20

ULT

²⁰ My bones cling to my skin and to my flesh; I survive only by the skin of my teeth.

UST

²⁰ My body is only skin and bones; I am barely alive.

How does Job survive?

He survives only by the skin of his teeth.

Job 19:21

ULT

²¹ Have pity upon me, have pity upon me, my friends, for the hand of God has touched me.

UST

²¹ I plead with you, my three friends, pity me because God has struck me very hard.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 19:22

ULT

²² Why do you pursue me like God does? Will you ever be satisfied with my flesh?

UST

²² Why do you cause me to suffer, also? Do you think you are God? Why do you never get enough of accusing me of doing wrong?

Job 19:23

ULT

²³ Oh, that my words were now written down! Oh, that they were inscribed in a book!

UST

²³ I wish that someone would take these words of mine and write them permanently in a book in order that people can read them.

What does Job want to happen to his words? (vv23-24)

He wants them to be written down and inscribed in a book, or engraved with pen and lead in the rock forever.

Job 19:24

ULT

²⁴ Oh, that with an iron pen and lead they were engraved in the rock forever!

UST

²⁴ Or else, I wish that someone would carve my words on a rock with a chisel in order that they would last forever.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 19:25

ULT

²⁵ But as for me, I know that my Redeemer lives, and that at last he will stand on the earth;

UST

²⁵ But I know that the one who vindicates me in court is alive, and that some day he will stand here on the earth and make the final decision about whether I deserve to be punished.

What does Job say he knows?

He knows that his Redeemer lives, and that at last his Redeemer will stand on the earth.

Job 19:26

ULT

²⁶ after my skin, that is, this body, is destroyed, then in my flesh I will see God.

UST

²⁶ And even after diseases have destroyed my body, still, in my body I will see God.

What does Job say will happen when his body is destroyed?

Job in his flesh will see God.

Job 19:27

ULT

²⁷ I will see him with my own eyes—I, and not someone else. My heart fails within me.

UST

²⁷ I will see him myself; I will see him with my own eyes! My emotions overwhelm me as I think about that!

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 19:28

ULT

²⁸ If you say, 'How we will persecute him! The root of his troubles lies in him,'

UST

²⁸ If you three men say, 'This is how we will cause him to suffer!' and you say, 'He is the one who has caused his own troubles,'

Job 19:29

ULT

²⁹ then be afraid of the sword, because wrath brings the punishment of the sword, so that you may know there is a judgment."

UST

²⁹ you should fear that God will punish you; he punishes those like you with whom he is angry; and when that happens, you will know that there is someone who judges people."

What does wrath bring?

Wrath brings the punishment of the sword.

Job 20

Job 20:1

ULT

¹ Then Zophar the Naamathite answered and said,

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¹ Then Zophar replied again:

Why did Zophar answer Job quickly? (vv1-3)

He answered Job quickly because of his worry and that there is a spirit beyond his understanding that answers him. He has heard Job's rebuke and says it puts him to shame.

Job 20:2

ULT

² "My thoughts make me answer quickly because of the worry that is in me.

UST

² "I am very troubled about what you have said, so I want to reply very quickly.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 20:3

ULT

³ I hear a rebuke that dishonors me, but a spirit from my understanding answers me.

UST

³ By saying these things you have insulted me, but something within my understanding suggests to me how I may reply to you.

Job 20:4

ULT

⁴ Do you not know this fact from ancient times, when God placed man on earth:

UST

⁴ Do you not know that from long ago, ever since God first put people on the earth,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 20:5

ULT

⁵ the triumph of a wicked man is short, and the joy of a godless man lasts only for a moment?

UST

⁵ that wicked people like you do not continue to rejoice for a long time, and that people who refuse to honor God are happy only for a moment?

How long does the joy of a godless man last?

The joy of the godless only lasts for a moment.

Job 20:6

ULT

⁶ Though his height reaches up to the heavens, and his head reaches to the clouds,

UST

⁶ Although their reputations reach up to the sky, and their fame goes up as high as the clouds,

Job 20:7

ULT

⁷ yet such a person will perish permanently like his own feces; those who have seen him will say, 'Where is he?'

UST

⁷ they will disappear forever, like their own excrement, and those who knew them will ask, 'Where did they go?'

How will the wicked man perish?

He will perish permanently like his own feces.

Job 20:8

ULT

⁸ He will fly away like a dream and will not be found; indeed, he will be chased away like a vision of the night.

UST

⁸ They will disappear as a dream does, and they will exist no more. They will vanish like dreams that people have during the night.

How will the wicked man go away?

He will fly away like a dream, and be chased away like a vision of the night.

Job 20:9

ULT

⁹ The eye that saw him will see him no more; his place will see him no longer.

UST

⁹ Those people who now see those wicked people will never see them again; even the people who lived with them will not see them anymore.

Job 20:10

ULT

¹⁰ His children will apologize to poor people; his hands will have to give back his wealth.

UST

¹⁰ Their children will be forced to return the valuable things that they stole from poor people.

What will the wicked man's children do?

His children will apologize to poor people.

Job 20:11

ULT

¹¹ His bones are full of youthful strength, but it will lie down with him in the dust.

UST

¹¹ The bodies of the wicked were once young and strong, but they will die and be buried in the ground.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 20:12

ULT

¹² Although wickedness is sweet in his mouth, although he hides it under his tongue,

UST

¹² Although doing wicked things was like having sweet food in their mouths that they wanted to continue tasting,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 20:13

ULT

13 although he holds it there and does not let it go but keeps it still in his mouth—

UST

¹³ and although they did not want to stop doing those things,

Job 20:14

ULT

¹⁴ the food in his intestines turns bitter; it becomes the poison of asps inside him.

UST

¹⁴ those evil things will someday become like poison that they swallow, or like the poison from snakes.

What happens to wickedness inside the wicked man?

It will cause the food in his intestines to turn bitter, and will becomes like the poison of asps inside him.

Job 20:15

ULT

¹⁵ He swallows down riches, but he will vomit them up again; God will cast them out of his stomach.

UST

¹⁵ Wicked people pile up wealth for themselves, but they do not keep it forever, just like people do not keep down the food that they vomit. God takes their wealth from them.

What will happen to the riches that the wicked man swallows down?

He will vomit them up again.

Job 20:16

ULT

¹⁶ He will suck the poison of asps; the viper's tongue will kill him.

UST

¹⁶ Doing evil deeds is like swallowing snake poison; doing evil will kill the wicked as the bite of a poisonous snake will kill people.

Job 20:17

ULT

¹⁷ He will not enjoy the streams, the torrents of honey and butter.

UST

¹⁷ The wicked will not remain alive to see the abundant blessings from God, which are like a stream that flows.

What will the wicked man not live to enjoy?

He will not live to enjoy looking on rivers and flowing streams of honey and butter.

Job 20:18

ULT

¹⁸ He will give back the fruit of his labor and will not be able to eat it; he will not enjoy the wealth earned by his commerce.

UST

¹⁸ They will be forced to give back the things that they stole from the poor; they will not be able to continue to enjoy those things. They will not remain happy because of what they got from their business

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 20:19

ULT

¹⁹ For he has oppressed and neglected poor people; he has violently taken away houses that he did not build.

UST

¹⁹ because they oppressed poor people and refused to help them, and they took other people's houses by cheating them.

Why will the wicked man not rejoice?

He has oppressed and neglected the poor people, and has violently taken away houses that he did not build.

Job 20:20

ULT

²⁰ Because he has known no satisfaction himself, he will not be able to save anything in which he takes pleasure.

UST

²⁰ They were always greedy and never satisfied. So when they ate, they ate so much that they never saved anything that they enjoyed.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 20:21

ULT

²¹ There is nothing left that he did not devour; therefore his prosperity will not be permanent.

UST

²¹ When they finished eating their food, there was never anything left over because they had greedily eaten it all; but now their prosperity will end.

Why will the prosperity of the wicked man not be permanent?

It will not be permanent because there is nothing left that he did not devour.

Job 20:22

ULT

²² In the abundance of his wealth he will fall into trouble; the hand of everyone who is in poverty will come against him.

UST

²² When they are still very wealthy, they will suddenly experience trouble. The full power of everyone who lives in misery will crush them.

Job 20:23

ULT

²³ When he is about to fill his stomach, God will throw the fierceness of his wrath on him; God will rain it down on him while he is eating.

UST

²³ When the wicked people are filling their stomachs, God will show that he is very angry with them, and he will punish them; he will bring down suffering on them like the rain that falls on the ground.

What will God do to the wicked man who is about to fill his belly?

God will rain down the fierceness of his wrath on him while he is eating.

Job 20:24

ULT

²⁴ Although that man will flee from the iron weapon, a bow of bronze will shoot him.

UST

²⁴ They will try to escape from people who will attack them with iron weapons, but arrows with bronze points will pierce them.

What will happen when the wicked man flees from the iron weapon?

A bow of bronze will shoot him.

Job 20:25

ULT

²⁵ He pulls it out of his back and the gleaming point comes out of his liver. Terrors come over him.

UST

²⁵ The arrows will go completely through their bodies and stick out of their backs; the shiny points of the arrows will have blood dripping from them, and those wicked people will be terrified.

Job 20:26

ULT

²⁶ Complete darkness is reserved for his treasures; a fire not fanned will devour him; it will consume what is left in his tent.

UST

²⁶ Their valuable possessions will all be destroyed; a fire started by God, not by humans, will burn them up and will destroy the things that are left in their tents.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 20:27

ULT

²⁷ The heavens will reveal his iniquity, and the earth will rise up against him as a witness.

UST

²⁷ The angels in heaven will reveal the sins that those wicked people have committed, and people on earth will stand up and testify against them.

What will the heavens and the earth do against the wicked man?

The heavens will reveal his iniquity and the earth will be a witness against him.

Job 20:28

ULT

²⁸ The wealth of his house will vanish; his goods will flow away on the day of God's wrath.

UST

²⁸ On the day when God punishes people, all the possessions in the wicked people's houses will be carried away, as if a flood had come.

What will happen to the wicked man on the day of God's wrath?

The wealth of his house will vanish and his goods will flow away.

Job 20:29

ULT

²⁹ This is the wicked man's portion from God, the heritage reserved for him by God."

UST

²⁹ That is what will happen to wicked people like you; that is what God has decreed for them."

Job 21

Job 21:1

ULT

¹ Then Job answered and said,

UST

¹ Then Job replied in this way:

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 21:2

ULT

² "Listen carefully to my words, and let this be the comfort you offer to me.

UST

² "Listen to what I say, all of you; that is the only thing that you can do that will comfort me.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 21:3

ULT

³ Put up with me, and I also will speak; after I have spoken, mock on.

UST

³ Be patient with me, and allow me to speak. Then, after I am finished speaking, you can continue to make fun of me.

What does Job think his friends will do after he has spoken?

He thinks they will continue to mock him.

Job 21:4

ULT

⁴ As for me, is my complaint to a person? Why should I not be impatient?

UST

⁴ It is certainly not people against whom I am complaining, but God! And it is certainly right for me to be impatient!

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 21:5

ULT

⁵ Look at me and be astonished, and lay your hand upon your mouth.

UST

⁵ Look at me! Does what you see not cause you to be appalled and to put your hands over your mouths and say no more?

How will people respond when they look at Job?

They will be astonished and lay their hands upon their mouths.

Job 21:6

ULT

⁶ When I think about my sufferings, I am terrified, and trembling seizes my body.

UST

⁶ When I think about what has happened to me, I am frightened and my entire body shakes.

What happens to Job when he thinks about his sufferings?

He is troubled and horror takes hold of his flesh.

Job 21:7

ULT

⁷ Why do wicked people continue to live, become old, and grow mighty in power?

UST

⁷ But allow me to ask this: 'Why do wicked people continue to live, and become prosperous, and not die until they are very old?'

What does Job ask about wicked people?

Job asks why do they continue to live, become old, and grow mighty in power?

Job 21:8

ULT

⁸ Their descendants are established with them in their sight, and their offspring are established before their eyes.

UST

⁸ They see their children around them, and they watch them while they grow up and start to live in their own houses

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 21:9

ULT

⁹ Their houses are safe from fear; neither is the rod of God on them.

UST

⁹ Wicked people live in their own houses without being afraid, and God does not punish them.

Job 21:10

ULT

¹⁰ Their bull breeds; it does not fail to do so; their cow gives birth and does not lose her calf prematurely.

UST

¹⁰ Their bulls always mate with the cows successfully, and the cows always give birth to calves and never miscarry.

What happens to the bull and the cow of the wicked?

The bull doesn't fail to breed and the cow doesn't lose her calf prematurely.

Job 21:11

ULT

¹¹ They send out their little ones like a flock, and their children dance.

UST

¹¹ Wicked people send their young children outside to play, and the children jump around happily like lambs in a pasture.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 21:12

ULT

¹² They sing to the tambourine and harp and rejoice with the music of the flute.

UST

¹² The children sing to the sound of tambourines and lyres, and they are happy to hear the sound of flutes.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 21:13

ULT

¹³ They spend their days in prosperity, and they go down guietly to Sheol.

UST

¹³ Wicked people enjoy having good things all the time that they are alive, and they die quietly and go down to the place of the dead.

Job 21:14

ULT

¹⁴ They say to God, 'Depart from us for we do not wish any knowledge of your ways.

UST

¹⁴ While they are alive, they say to God, 'Leave us alone; we do not care about how you desire us to conduct our lives!

What do the wicked say to God?

They tell God to depart from them, for they do not wish any knowledge of his ways.

Job 21:15

ULT

¹⁵ What is the Almighty, that we should worship him? What advantage would we get if we prayed to him?'

UST

¹⁵ Why do you, Almighty God, think that we should serve you? What advantage do we get if we pray to you?'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 21:16

ULT

¹⁶ See, is not their prosperity in their own hands? I have nothing to do with the advice of wicked people.

UST

¹⁶ Wicked people think that they have become prosperous because of what they have done, but I do not want to have anything to do with their thinking.

How does Job respond to the advice of wicked people?

He has nothing to do with their advice.

Job 21:17

ULT

¹⁷ How often is it that the lamp of wicked people is put out, or that their calamity comes upon them? How often does it happen that God distributes sorrows to them in his anger?

UST

¹⁷ How often does it happen that wicked people die, without experiencing disasters? Does God ever punish them because he is angry with them?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 21:18

ULT

¹⁸ How often is it that they become like stubble before the wind or like chaff that the storm carries away?

UST

¹⁸ He does not blow them away as wind blows away straw; they are never carried off by a whirlwind.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 21:19

ULT

¹⁹ You say, 'God lays up one's guilt for his children to pay.' Let him pay it himself, so that he might know his guilt.

UST

¹⁹ You say, 'When people have committed sins, God waits and punishes their children because of those sins;' I say that God should punish those who sin, not their children, in order that the sinners may know that it is because of their own sins that they are being punished.

Who does Job want to pay for the guilt of the wicked person?

Job wants the wicked person to pay for his guilt, and not his children, so that he would know his guilt.

Job 21:20

ULT

²⁰ Let his eyes see his own destruction, and let him drink of the wrath of the Almighty.

UST

²⁰ I hope that wicked people will live to experience God destroying them, that they will experience Almighty God punishing them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 21:21

ULT

²¹ For what does he care about his family after him when the number of his months is cut off?

UST

²¹ After wicked people are dead, they are not at all concerned for their families who are still alive.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 21:22

ULT

²² Can anyone teach God knowledge since he judges even those who are high?

UST

²² Since God judges everyone, even those who are in heaven, who can teach him anything?

Can anyone teach God knowledge?

No, for he judges even those who are high.

Job 21:23

ULT

²³ One man dies in his full strength, being completely guiet and at ease.

UST

²³ Some people die while they are very healthy, while they are peaceful and not afraid of anything.

Job 21:24

ULT

²⁴ His body is full of milk, and the marrow of his bones is moist.

UST

²⁴ Their bodies are fat; their bones are strong.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 21:25

ULT

²⁵ Another man dies in bitterness of soul, one who has never experienced anything good.

UST

²⁵ Other people die being very miserable; they have never experienced good things happening to them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 21:26

ULT

²⁶ They lie down alike in the dust; the worms cover them both.

UST

²⁶ They die and are buried, and maggots cover their bodies. Everyone dies, so it is clear that dying is not always the punishment for being wicked.

What happens to both the man who dies in full strength and the one who dies in bitterness of soul?

They both lie down alike in the dust and the worms cover them both.

Job 21:27

ULT

²⁷ See, I know your thoughts, and the ways in which you wish to wrong me.

UST

²⁷ Listen, I know what you three are thinking, and I know the evil things that you plan to do to me.

What does Job know about his friends' thoughts and ways?

He knows their thoughts and the ways in which they wish to wrong him.

Job 21:28

ULT

²⁸ For you say, 'Where now is the house of the prince? Where is the tent in which the wicked man once lived?'

UST

²⁸ You say, 'What happened to the tents in which wicked people were living? The houses of evil rulers have been destroyed!'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 21:29

ULT

²⁹ Have you never asked traveling people? Do you not know the evidence they can tell,

UST

²⁹ Have you never asked people who travel much? Do you not believe their reports about what they have seen,

Job 21:30

ULT

³⁰ that the wicked man is kept from the day of calamity, and that he is led away from the day of wrath?

UST

³⁰ that wicked people usually do not suffer at the time when there are great disasters; that when God punishes people, someone rescues the wicked? that wicked people are the ones whom someone else rescues when God punishes people?

What have traveling people seen happen to the wicked man?

They have seen that the wicked man is kept from the day of calamity, and that he is led away from the day of wrath.

Job 21:31

ULT

³¹ Who will condemn the wicked man's way to his face? Who will repay him for what he has done?

UST

³¹ There is no one who accuses wicked people, and there is no one who pays them back for all the evil things that they have done.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 21:32

ULT

³² Yet he will be borne to the grave; men will keep watch over his tomb.

UST

³² When the corpses of wicked people are carried to their graves, people are put there to guard those graves.

What will men do for the tomb of the wicked man?

Men will keep watch over his tomb.

Job 21:33

ULT

³³ The clods of the valley will be sweet to him; all people will follow after him, as there were innumerable people before him.

UST

³³ A huge number of people go to the grave site; some go in front of the procession and some come behind, and the wicked ones who have died surely feel good when people throw clods of dirt on their graves.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 21:34

ULT

³⁴ How then do you comfort me with nonsense, since in your answers there is nothing but falsehood?"

UST

³⁴ So how can you comfort me by talking nonsense? Every reply that you give me is full of lies!"

With what does Job say Zophar was trying to comfort him?

Job says Zophar was comforting him with nonsense.

Job 22

Job 22:1

ULT

¹ Then Eliphaz the Temanite answered and said,

UST

¹ Then Eliphaz replied, saying this:

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 22:2

ULT

² "Can a man be useful to God? Can a wise man be useful to him?

UST

² "No one can be useful to God! People who are wise can be useful to themselves, but not to God.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 22:3

ULT

³ Is it any pleasure to the Almighty if you are righteous? Is it gain to him if you make your ways blameless?

UST

³ If you were righteous, that would not please Almighty God, would it? If you lived a perfect life, that would not help him, would it?

What does Eliphaz ask Job if his righteousness can do for the Almighty?

He asks if it brings any pleasure to the Almighty if Job is righteous.

Job 22:4

ULT

⁴ Is it because of your reverence for him that he rebukes you and takes you to judgment?

UST

⁴ Do you honor God, and is that why he punishes you? Is that the reason that he puts you on trial?

How does Eliphaz mock Job's reverence for God?

He mockingly says that because Job was reverent to God, he rebukes Job.

Job 22:5

ULT

⁵ Is not your wickedness great? Is there no end to your iniquities?

UST

⁵ No, it certainly must be because you are extremely wicked. It must be that no one can count the evil things that you have done!

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 22:6

ULT

⁶ For you have demanded guarantee of a loan from your brother for no reason, and you have stripped away clothing from the naked.

UST

⁶ You must have lent money to others and wrongly forced them to give you things to guarantee that they would pay that money back to you; you must have taken all their clothes and left them with nothing to wear.

What does Eliphaz accuse Job of doing to the naked?

He says that Job has stripped the naked of their clothing.

Job 22:7

ULT

⁷ You have not given water to weary people to drink; you have withheld bread from hungry people

UST

⁷ You must not have given water to those who were thirsty, and you must have refused to give food to those who were hungry.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 22:8

ULT

⁸ although you, a mighty man, possessed the earth, although you, an honored man, lived in it.

UST

⁸ Because you were very powerful, you must have taken over all the people's land, and then you began to live on that land, even though others honored you very much.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 22:9

ULT

⁹ You have sent widows away empty; the arms of the fatherless have been broken.

UST

⁹ When widows came to you for help, you must have sent them away without giving them anything, and you must have oppressed orphans.

What does Eliphaz accuse Job of doing to widows?

He claims Job has sent widows away empty.

Job 22:10

ULT

¹⁰ Therefore, snares are all around you, and sudden fear troubles you.

UST

¹⁰ Because you did all those things, now there are traps that will catch you; now things appear that terrify you and cause you to tremble.

Job 22:11

ULT

¹¹ There is darkness, so that you cannot see; an abundance of waters covers you.

UST

¹¹ It is as though it had become very dark, with the result that you cannot see anything, and it is as though a flood covered you.

What does Eliphaz say the darkness has done to Job?

He says that there is darkness, so that Job cannot see.

Job 22:12

ULT

¹² Is not God in the heights of heaven? Look at the height of the stars, how high they are!

UST

¹² But consider this, Job: God lives high up in the heavens. From there he looks down on the highest stars.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 22:13

ULT

¹³ You say, 'What does God know? Can he judge through the thick darkness?

UST

¹³ So why do you say, 'God knows nothing about what we are doing'? And why do you say, 'Dark clouds keep him from seeing us, so he cannot judge us'?

Job 22:14

ULT

¹⁴ Thick clouds are a covering to him, so that he does not see us; he walks on the vault of heaven.'

UST

¹⁴ Do you think that while he walks on the dome that covers the sky, where there are thick clouds around him, he cannot see what we do?'

What does Eliphaz claim Job says about God not seeing people?

Job says, "Thick clouds are a covering to God, so that he does not see people."

Job 22:15

ULT

¹⁵ Will you keep the old way that wicked men have walked—

UST

¹⁵ Will you, Job, continue to conduct your life in the old way that evil people have done for many years?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 22:16

ULT

¹⁶ those who were snatched away before their time, those whose foundations have washed away like a river,

UST

¹⁶ They suddenly died while they were still young; they disappeared like everything disappears when there is a flood.

What happens to the foundations of wicked men?

The wicked men's foundations have washed away like a river.

Job 22:17

ULT

¹⁷ those who said to God, 'Depart from us'; those who said, 'What can the Almighty do to us?'

UST

¹⁷ They kept saying to God, 'Leave us alone,' 'Allow us to be alone,' and they also said defiantly, 'Almighty God can do nothing to harm us!'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 22:18

ULT

¹⁸ Yet he filled their houses with good things; the plans of wicked people are far from me.

UST

¹⁸ Yet it was God who filled their houses with good things; so I cannot agree at all to follow what the wicked plan.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 22:19

ULT

¹⁹ Righteous people see their fate and are glad; innocent people laugh them to scorn.

UST

¹⁹ When righteous people see that God punishes wicked people, they are glad, and they laugh at those wicked people.

How do the righteous act when they see the fate of the wicked?

The righteous see their fate and are glad.

Job 22:20

ULT

²⁰ They say, 'Surely those who rose up against us are cut off; fire has consumed their possessions.'

UST

²⁰ They say, 'Now our enemies have been destroyed, and fire has burned up anything left of their wealth.'

Job 22:21

ULT

²¹ Now agree with God and be at peace with him; in that way, good will come to you.

UST

²¹ So, Job, be reconciled to God and make peace with him; if you do that, good things will happen to you.

What will happen if Job is at peace with God?

If Job is at peace with God, good will come to him.

Job 22:22

ULT

²² Receive, I beg you, instruction from his mouth; store up his words in your heart.

UST

²² Allow him to teach you, and put his words into your mind.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 22:23

ULT

²³ If you return to the Almighty, you will be built up, if you put unrighteousness far away from your tents.

UST

²³ If you humble yourself and return to God, he will restore you; if you stop doing all the evil things that you have been doing in your house,

What does Eliphaz say will happen if Job returns to the Almighty?

If Job returns to the Almighty, he will be built up.

Job 22:24

ULT

²⁴ Lay your treasure down in the dust, the gold of Ophir among the stones of the brooks,

UST

²⁴ and if you throw away your gold, the fine gold from the dry stream beds in Ophir land,

Job 22:25

ULT

²⁵ and the Almighty will be your treasure, precious silver to you.

UST

²⁵ then Almighty God will be to be as precious to you as your gold and your silver have been.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 22:26

ULT

²⁶ For then you will take pleasure in the Almighty; you will lift up your face to God.

UST

²⁶ Then you will be happy because of God, and you will be able to approach him confidently.

What will happen when Job takes pleasure in the Almighty?

When Job takes pleasure in the Almighty, he will lift up his face to God.

Job 22:27

ULT

²⁷ You will make your prayer to him, and he will hear you; you will pay your vows to him.

UST

²⁷ You will pray to him, and he will do what you request him to do; you will do the things that you promised him that you would do.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 22:28

ULT

²⁸ You will also decree anything, and it will be confirmed for you; light will shine on your paths.

UST

²⁸ Everything that you decide to do will be successful; it will be as though a light were shining on the road in front of you.

Job 22:29

ULT

²⁹ God humbles a proud man, and he saves the one with lowered eyes.

UST

²⁹ God humbles those who are proud, but he saves those who are downcast.

What does God do to the proud?

God humbles the proud.

Job 22:30

ULT

 30 He will rescue even the man who is not innocent; who will be rescued through the cleanness of your hands."

UST

³⁰ God rescues those who are not innocent; they will be rescued because you do what is right."

Job 23

Job 23:1

ULT

¹ Then Job answered and said,

UST

¹ Then Job replied and said this:

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 23:2

ULT

² "Even today my complaint is bitter; my hand ^[1] is heavy because of my groaning.

UST

² "Today I am again complaining bitterly to God; I continue to groan, but I suffer even more.

What does Job say is heaveir than his groaning?

Job said that his suffering is heavier than his groaning.

Job 23:3

ULT

 $^{\mathbf{3}}$ Oh, that I knew where I might find him! Oh, that I might come to his place!

UST

³ I wish that I knew where I could meet with him so that I could go to the place where he lives.

Job 23:4

ULT

⁴ I would lay my case in order before him and fill my mouth with arguments.

UST

⁴ If I could do that, I would tell him why I know that I am innocent; I would tell him many reasons for that.

What would Job do before God if he could find him?

He would lay his case in order before God and fill his mouth with arguments.

Job 23:5

ULT

⁵ I would learn the words with which he would answer me and would understand what he would say to me.

UST

⁵ Then I would find out and understand what he would reply to me.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 23:6

ULT

⁶ Would he argue against me in the greatness of his power? No, he would pay attention to me.

UST

⁶ Would he use his great power to argue with me? No, he would listen to me carefully.

Does Job think God would against him in the greatness of God's power if he could stand before him?

No, he thinks God would pay attention to him.

Job 23:7

ULT

⁷ There the upright person might argue with him. In this way I would be acquitted forever by my judge.

UST

⁷ I am an honest man, so I would be able to discuss things with him fairly, and then he would declare that I am innocent, and he would not trouble me again.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 23:8

ULT

⁸ See, I go eastward, but he is not there, and westward, but I cannot perceive him.

UST

⁸ However, I have gone to the east, and he is not there; I have gone to the west, but I have not found him there.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 23:9

ULT

⁹ To the north, where he is at work, but I cannot see him, and to the south, where he hides himself so that I cannot see him.

UST

⁹ I have gone north and I have gone south, but I have not seen him anywhere for he keeps himself from me.

What does Job say God is doing in the south?

Job says in the south, God hides himself so that Job cannot see him.

Job 23:10

ULT

¹⁰ But he knows the way that I take; when he has tested me, I will come out like gold.

UST

¹⁰ He knows how I have conducted my life; when he has finished testing me, he will see that I am as pure as gold whose impurities have all been burned out.

What result does Job expect from God's testing him?

When God has tested Job, he will come out like gold.

Job 23:11

ULT

¹¹ My foot has held fast to his steps; I have kept to his way and turned not aside.

UST

¹¹ I have faithfully walked on the road that he showed me; I have not turned away from obeying him.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 23:12

ULT

¹² I have not gone back from the commandment of his lips; I have treasured the words of his mouth more than my portion of food.

UST

¹² I have always obeyed what he commanded; I have hidden away in my inner being the words that he has spoken.

What has Job done with the words of God's mouth?

Job has treasured up in his heart the words of God's mouth.

Job 23:13

ULT

¹³ But he is one of a kind, who can turn him back? What he desires, he does.

UST

¹³ He never changes. There is no one who can stop him from doing what he desires. Whatever he wants to do, he does.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 23:14

ULT

¹⁴ For he carries out his decree against me; there are many like them.

UST

¹⁴ He will finish doing the things that he has planned for me, and I am sure that he has thought about doing many things for me.

What does God carry out for Job?

God carries out his decrees for Job.

Job 23:15

ULT

¹⁵ Therefore, I am terrified in his presence; when I think about him, I am afraid of him.

UST

¹⁵ So I am terrified when I am in front of him; when I think about what he can do, I am very afraid.

How does Job feel when he thinks about God?

When Job thinks about him, he is afraid of him.

Job 23:16

ULT

¹⁶ For God has made my heart weak; the Almighty has terrified me.

UST

¹⁶ Almighty God has made me very afraid.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 23:17

ULT

¹⁷ I have not been brought to an end by darkness, because of the thick darkness that covers the gloom of my face.

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UST

¹⁷ The thick darkness in front of me has not make me silent, even that terrible darkness that covers my face has not kept me from speaking."

What covers Job's face?

The thick darkness cover's Job's face.

Job 24

Job 24:1

ULT

¹ Why are times for judging wicked people not set by the Almighty? Why do not those who are faithful to God see his days of judgment come?

UST

¹ "Why does Almighty God not set a time when he will judge evil people? The people who obey God never seem to see him judge the evil people.

What times does Job think are not set by the Almighty?

Job asks why times for judging the wicked are not set by the Almighty.

Job 24:2

ULT

² There are wicked people who remove boundary markers; there are wicked people who take away flocks by force and put them in their own pastures.

UST

² Some evil people remove the boundary markers of other people's land, in order to take their land; they seize other people's sheep and put them in their own pastures.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 24:3

ULT

³ They drive away the donkey of those without fathers; they take the widow's ox as security.

UST

³ Some take away the donkeys that belong to orphans, and they take widows' oxen to guarantee that the widows will pay back the money that they loaned to those widows.

What do the wicked do to the donkey of the fatherless?

They drive away the donkey of the fatherless.

Job 24:4

ULT

⁴ They force needy people out of their path; poor people of the earth all hide themselves from them.

UST

⁴ Some shove poor people off the road, and they force poor people to find places to hide from them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 24:5

ULT

⁵ See, these poor people go out to their work like wild donkeys in the wilderness, looking carefully for food; perhaps the Arabah will provide them food for their children.

UST

⁵ The result is that poor people have to search for food in the desert plain like wild donkeys do.

What do the poor hope the Arabah will provide?

They hope the Arabah will provide them food for their children.

Job 24:6

ULT

⁶ Poor people reap in the night in other people's fields; they glean grapes from the harvest of those wicked people.

UST

⁶ The poor people harvest leftover grain in other people's fields, and gather leftover grapes from vineyards that belong to wicked men.

Job 24:7

ULT

⁷ They lie naked all night without clothing; they have no covering in the cold.

UST

⁷ During the night they have nothing to cover their bodies, nothing to keep them warm.

What do the poor lack in the cold?

They have no covering in the cold.

Job 24:8

ULT

⁸ They are wet with the showers of the mountains; they lie next to large rocks because they have no shelter.

UST

⁸ When it rains in the mountains, they become very wet, so they huddle under the rock ledges to protect themselves from the rain.

What do the poor embrace for lack of shelter?

They embrace a rock for lack of shelter.

Job 24:9

ULT

⁹ There are wicked people who pluck orphans from their mothers' breast, and wicked people who take children as security from poor people.

UST

⁹ Some evil men snatch poor, fatherless infants away from their mothers; they say 'I will return your babies to you when you repay the money that I lent to you.'

Job 24:10

ULT

¹⁰ But the poor people go about naked without clothing; although they go hungry, they carry bundles of grain belonging to other people.

UST

¹⁰ But the poor people walk around with no clothes on; they are hungry while they are working to carry other people's bundles of grain to the places where their grain will be threshed.

What do the poor do for others even though they go hungry?

Even though they go hungry, they carry others' sheaves of grain.

Job 24:11

ULT

¹¹ The poor people make oil within the walls of those wicked men; they tread the wicked men's winepresses, but they themselves suffer thirst.

UST

¹¹ Poor people are hired by these wicked people to make olive oil for them; they tread on grapes to make juice for wine, but they are not allowed to drink any of it when they are thirsty.

What do the poor do for others even though they suffer thirst?

They tread the wicked men's winepresses, but they suffer thirst.

Job 24:12

ULT

¹² From out of the city the dying groan, and the throat of the wounded cries out for help. But God does not ascribe blame

UST

¹² In the cities, people who are wounded and dying cry out to God for help, but God ignores their prayers.

Job 24:13

ULT

¹³ Some of these wicked people rebel against the light; they know not its ways, nor do they stay in its paths.

UST

¹³ Some wicked people avoid the light because they do evil things in the dark; they do not walk on roads that are lit.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 24:14

ULT

¹⁴ Before daylight the murderer rises and he kills poor and needy people; in the night he is like a thief.

UST

¹⁴ Murderers steal things during the night, and then they rise before dawn in order that they may go out again and kill poor and needy people.

What is the murderer like in the night?

In the night, the muderer is like a thief.

Job 24:15

ULT

¹⁵ Also, the eye of the adulterer waits for the twilight; he says, 'No eye will see me.' He disguises his face.

UST

¹⁵ Those who want to commit adultery wait for evening to come; they say, 'I do not want anyone to see me,' so they keep their faces covered.

Job 24:16

ULT

¹⁶ In the darkness wicked people dig into houses; but they shut themselves up in the daytime; they do not care for the light.

UST

¹⁶ It is during the night that robbers break into houses to steal things, but during the day they hide because they want to avoid being seen in the light.

Why do the wicked shut themselves up in daytime?

The wicked do not care for the light.

Job 24:17

ULT

¹⁷ For all of them, thick darkness is like the morning; for they are friends with the terrors of thick darkness.

UST

¹⁷ All of those people want to do their evil deeds at night, not in the morning when it is light, because they are not afraid of the things that happen during the night that terrify others.

With what terrors are the wicked comfortable?

They are comfortable with the terrors of the thick darkness.

Job 24:18

ULT

¹⁸ Swiftly they pass away, however, like foam on the surface of the waters; their portion of the land is cursed; no one goes to work in their vineyards.

UST

¹⁸ However, those wicked people will disappear very quickly, and God will curse the land that they owned; no one will go any longer to work in their vineyards.

Job 24:19

ULT

¹⁹ As drought and heat melt away the snow into waters, so Sheol takes away those who have sinned.

UST

¹⁹ Just as the snow melts away when it is hot and there is no rain, those who have sinned will disappear into the place where the dead people are.

Who does sheol consume?

Sheol consumes those who have sinned.

Job 24:20

ULT

²⁰ The womb that bore him will forget him; the worm will feed sweetly on him; he will be remembered no more; in this way, wickedness will be broken like a tree.

UST

²⁰ Not even their mothers will remember them; wicked people will be destroyed like trees that are cut down, and maggots will eat their corpses.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 24:21

ULT

²¹ The wicked one devours the barren women who have not borne children; he does no good to the widow.

UST

²¹ The wicked mistreat women who have been unable to give birth to children who would have grown up to take care of them; the wicked they never help widows.

Who does the wicked one devour?

The wicked one devours the barren women who have not born children.

Job 24:22

ULT

²² Yet God drags away the mighty people by his power; he rises up and does not strengthen them in life.

UST

²² But God, by his power, gets rid of mighty people. He causes the wicked people to die.

Who does God drag away?

God drags away the mighty by his power.

Job 24:23

ULT

²³ God allows them to think they are secure, and they are happy about that, but his eyes are on their ways.

UST

²³ God allows them to think that they are secure and safe, but he is watching them all the time.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 24:24

ULT

²⁴ These people are exalted; still, in only a little while, they will be gone; indeed, they will be brought low; they will be gathered up like all the others; they will be cut off like the tops of ears of grain.

UST

²⁴ They prosper for a little while, and then suddenly they are gone; God will make them die like all the other people; they will be like stalks of grain that the farmers have cut off.

What will happen to the mighty in a little while?

In only a little while, the mighty will be gone.

Job 24:25

ULT

²⁵ If it is not so, who can prove me to be a liar; who can make my speech worth nothing?"

UST

²⁵ If this is not true, is there anyone who will show that I am a liar and prove me wrong?"

Job 25

Job 25:1

ULT

¹ Then Bildad the Shuhite answered and said,

UST

¹ Then Bildad also replied:

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 25:2

ULT

² "Dominion and fear are with him; he makes order in his high places of heaven.

UST

² "God is very powerful; everyone should honor him very much; he causes everything to be peaceful high up in heaven, with no confusion at all.

Where does God make order?

God makes order in his high places of heaven.

Job 25:3

ULT

³ Is there any end to the number of his armies? Upon whom does his light not shine?

UST

³ Can anyone count the angels who are in his army in heaven? Is there any person on whom his light does not shine?

Job 25:4

ULT

⁴ How then can man be righteous with God? How can he who is born of a woman be clean, acceptable to him?

UST

⁴ So how can God consider any person to be righteous? How can he accept any human being?

Of whom does Bildad ask can they be clean and acceptable to God?

He asks if one who is born of a woman can be clean and acceptable to God.

Job 25:5

ULT

⁵ See, even the moon has no brightness to him; the stars are not pure in his sight.

UST

⁵ Consider this: God does not even think that the full moon is bright, and he does not even accept the stars in the heavens as worthy of him.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 25:6

ULT

⁶ How much less man, who is a worm— a son of man, who is a worm!"

UST

⁶ So what about humans? They are as insignificant as maggots. God does not think more highly of people than he thinks of worms."

To what does Bildad compare a son of man?

He says that a son of man is a worm.

Job 26

Job 26:1

ULT

¹ Then Job answered and said,

UST

¹ Job replied to Bildad:

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 26:2

ULT

² "How you have helped one who has no power! How you have saved the arm that has no strength!

UST

² "I am a very weak and helpless man; you do not really think that you have helped me at all, do you?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 26:3

ULT

³ How you have advised one who has no wisdom and announced to him sound knowledge!

UST

³ You certainly do not think that you have given me good advice, do you?—me, who am not wise at all.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 26:4

ULT

⁴ With whose help have you spoken these words? Whose spirit was it that came out from you?

UST

⁴ Who helped you to say all those great things? Who inspired you to speak like you did?

How does Job think Bildad's spoke his own words?

No, Job wants to know who helped Bildad speak his words.

Job 26:5

ULT

⁵ The dead are made to tremble, those who are beneath the waters and all who dwell in them.

UST

⁵ The spirits of dead people tremble with fear, those who are under the waters and everyone who dwells with them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 26:6

ULT

⁶ Sheol is naked before God; destruction itself has no covering against him.

UST

⁶ God knows all about those who are in the place of the dead; there is nothing down there that prevents God from seeing what is there.

What has no covering before God?

Destruction itself has no covering against God.

Job 26:7

ULT

⁷ He stretches out the northern skies over the empty space, and he hangs the earth over nothing.

UST

⁷ God stretches out heaven over the empty spaces, and he places the earth in that huge empty space, but it is not resting on anything.

Job 26:8

ULT

⁸ He binds up the waters in his thick clouds, but the clouds are not torn under them.

UST

⁸ He fills the thick clouds with water and prevents that water from bursting the clouds.

Where does God bind up the waters?

He binds up the waters in his thick clouds.

Job 26:9

ULT

⁹ He covers the surface of the moon and spreads his clouds on it.

UST

⁹ He causes clouds to obscure the moon.

What does God spread on the face of the moon?

He encloses the face of the moon and spreads his clouds on it.

Job 26:10

ULT

¹⁰ He has engraved a circular boundary on the surface of the waters as the line between light and darkness.

UST

¹⁰ He separates the light from the darkness and puts the horizon to mark the place where the night ends and the daytime begins.

Job 26:11

ULT

¹¹ The pillars of heaven tremble and are astonished at his rebuke.

UST

¹¹ When he is angry, it is as though he rebuked the pillars that hold up the sky. They are shocked, and they tremble.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 26:12

ULT

¹² He calmed the sea with his power; by his understanding he shattered Rahab.

UST

¹² By his power he calmed the sea; by his skill he destroyed Rahab, the huge sea monster.

What did God calm with his power?

He calmed the sea with his power.

Job 26:13

ULT

¹³ By his breath he made the skies clear; his hand pierced the fleeing serpent.

UST

¹³ By his breath he caused the sky to be bright; by his hand he killed the great dragon in the sea as it was fleeing from him.

By what did God clear the heavens of storms?

By his breath, he cleared the heavens of storms.

Job 26:14

ULT

¹⁴ See, these are but the fringes of his ways; how small a whisper do we hear of him! Who can understand the thunder of his power?"

UST

¹⁴ But those events show only a small amount of his power; it is as though we were hearing only whispers of his powerful voice. When we hear thunder, we say, 'Who can really understand how great his power is?'"

What measure of God's voice do we hear?

We hear but a small whisper of him.

Job 27

Job 27:1

ULT

¹ Job resumed speaking and he said,

UST

¹ Job continued speaking to his three friends:

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 27:2

ULT

² "As surely as God lives, who has taken away my justice, the Almighty, who made my life bitter,

UST

² "Almighty God has refused to treat me justly. He has caused me to feel bitter. But just as surely as he lives,

What does Job say God has taken away from him?

God has taken away his justice.

Job 27:3

ULT

 $^{\mathbf{3}}$ while my life is yet in me, and the breath from God is in my nostrils, this is what I will do.

UST

³ I will say this as long as God's Spirit enables me to breathe!

Job 27:4

ULT

⁴ My lips will not speak wickedness, neither will my tongue speak deceit;

UST

⁴ I will not lie! I will not say anything to deceive anyone.

What does Job vow his lips will not speak?

Job vows that surely his lips will not speak unrighteousness.

Job 27:5

ULT

⁵ I will never admit that you three are right; until I die I will never deny my integrity.

UST

⁵ I will never admit that what you three have said is true; until the day that I die, I will insist that I have not done things that are wrong.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 27:6

ULT

⁶ I hold fast to my righteousness and will not let it go; my thoughts will not reproach me so long as I live.

UST

⁶ I will say that I am innocent, and I will never say anything different; my inner being will never reproach me as long as I live.

How long will Job's thoughts not reproach him?

His thoughts will not reproach him so long as he lives.

Job 27:7

ULT

⁷ Let my enemy be like a wicked man; let him who rises up against me be like an unrighteous man.

UST

⁷ I want God to punish my enemies like he will punish all wicked people; I want him to punish those who oppose me like he punishes all unrighteous people.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 27:8

ULT

⁸ For what is the hope of a godless man when God cuts him off, when God takes away his life?

UST

⁸ When it is time for God to get rid of godless people and to cause them to die, there is absolutely nothing good that they can confidently expect to happen to them.

What does Job say God does when he cuts off a godless man's life?

When God cuts off his life, God takes away his soul.

Job 27:9

ULT

⁹ Will God hear his cry when trouble comes upon him?

UST

⁹ When they experience troubles, God will not hear them call out to him for help, will he?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 27:10

ULT

¹⁰ Will he delight himself in the Almighty and call upon God at all times?

UST

¹⁰ Will they be happy about what Almighty God does? Will they begin to pray to him frequently? Certainly not!

Job 27:11

ULT

¹¹ I will teach you concerning the hand of God; I will not conceal the thoughts of the Almighty.

UST

¹¹ I will teach you three something about God's power; I will reveal to you what he is thinking.

What does Job say he will not conceal of the Almighty?

Job said that he would not conceal the thoughts of the Almighty.

Job 27:12

ULT

¹² See, all of you have seen this yourselves; why then have you spoken all this nonsense?

UST

¹² You three have seen for yourselves powerful things that God has done; so I do not understand why you have been saying such nonsense to me.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 27:13

ULT

¹³ This is the portion of a wicked man with God, the heritage of the oppressor that he receives from the Almighty:

UST

¹³ I will tell you what Almighty God does to wicked people, what he does to people who mistreat others.

Job 27:14

ULT

¹⁴ If his children multiply, it is for the sword; his offspring will never have enough food.

UST

¹⁴ Even if they have many children, those children will die in wars, or they will die because they do not have enough food to eat.

Of what will the wicked man's offspring not have enough?

His offspring will never have enough food.

Job 27:15

ULT

¹⁵ Those who survive him will be buried by plague, and their widows will make no lament for them.

UST

¹⁵ Their children who are still alive after they themselves die will perish from diseases, and the wives they leave behind will not even mourn for them.

What will the wicked man's widow not do for him?

His widow will make no lament for him.

lob 27:16

ULT

¹⁶ Though the wicked man heaps up silver like the dust, and heaps up clothing like clay,

UST

¹⁶ Sometimes wicked people accumulate a huge amount of silver and pile up clothes as potters pile up clay,

Job 27:17

ULT

¹⁷ he may heap up clothing, but righteous people will put it on, and innocent people will divide up the silver among themselves.

UST

¹⁷ but those wicked people will die, and then righteous people will wear those clothes, and honest people will get their silver and divide it among themselves.

What will happen to the silver of the wicked man?

The innocent will divide up his silver among themselves.

Job 27:18

ULT

¹⁸ He builds his house like a spider, like a hut that a guard makes.

UST

¹⁸ The houses that they build are as weak as spider webs; they are like flimsy huts that watchmen live in while they guard people's fields.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 27:19

ULT

¹⁹ He lies down in bed rich, but he will not keep doing so; he opens his eyes, and everything is gone.

UST

¹⁹ The wicked people are rich when they lie down at night, but when they wake up in the morning, they find out that their money has disappeared.

What does the wicked man see when he opens his eyes after he lies down rich? He opens his eyes, and everything is gone.

Job 27:20

ULT

²⁰ Terrors overtake him like waters; a storm takes him away in the night.

UST

²⁰ Things that terrify them come to them like a flood that they do not expect; during the night a whirlwind carries them away.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 27:21

ULT

²¹ The east wind carries him away, and he leaves; it sweeps him out of his place.

UST

²¹ It is as though the wind from the east had picked them up and carried them away from their homes, and they disappear forever.

What does the east wind do as it carries the wicked man away?

The east wind carries him away, and it sweeps him out of his place.

Job 27:22

ULT

²² It throws itself at him and does not stop; he tries to flee out of its hand.

UST

²² That wind strikes them without pitying them while they are running away, trying to escape from its force.

What does the wicked man try to do when the east wind does not stop?

He tries to flee out of its hand.

Job 27:23

ULT

²³ It claps its hands at him and hisses him from his place.

UST

²³ That wind is like someone clapping his hands at them to mock them, howling at them and forcing them to run away."

Job 28

Job 28:1

ULT

¹ Surely there is a mine for silver, a place where they refine gold.

UST

¹ "It is true that there are places where men dig to find silver, and there are places where people refine gold that they have dug.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 28:2

ULT

² Iron is taken out of the earth; copper is smelted out of the stone.

UST

² People dig iron ore out of the ground, and they also smelt copper.

From where is copper smelted?

Copper is smelted out of the stone.

Job 28:3

ULT

³ A man sets an end to darkness and searches out, to the farthest limit, the stones in obscurity and thick darkness.

UST

³ Men use lamps while they work far down under the ground to search for the ore inside the mines where it is very dark.

What does man search out to the farthest limit?

Man searches out, to the farthest limit, the stones in obscurity and thick darkness.

Job 28:4

ULT

⁴ He breaks open a shaft away from where people live, places that are forgotten by anyone's foot. He hangs far away from people; he swings to and fro.

UST

⁴ They dig shafts in places that are far from where people live, where travelers do not go. They work far away from other people, swinging back and forth on ropes as they descend into the mine shafts.

Where does man break open a shaft?

He breaks open a shaft away from where people live.

Job 28:5

ULT

⁵ As for the earth, out of which comes bread, it is turned up below as if by fire.

UST

⁵ Food grows on the surface of the ground, but down under the ground, where there is no food, the miners make fires to break apart the rocks.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 28:6

ULT

⁶ Its stones are the place where sapphires are found, and its dust contains gold.

UST

⁶ The stones that are dug from under the ground contain sapphires, and the dirt contains bits of gold.

What is contained in the dust of the earth?

The earth's dust contains gold.

Job 28:7

ULT

⁷ No bird of prey knows the path to it, nor has the falcon's eye seen it.

UST

⁷ Some birds have very good eyes, but even hawks do not know where the mines are, and falcons have not seen those places.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 28:8

ULT

⁸ The proud animals have not walked such a path, nor has the fierce lion passed there.

UST

⁸ Lions or other proud wild animals have never gone to those places.

What has not walked through the path of man's shaft?

The proud animals have not walked such a path, nor has the fierce lion passed there.

Job 28:9

ULT

⁹ A man lays his hand on the flinty rock; he overturns mountains by their roots.

UST

⁹ Miners dig very hard rock; it is as though they turned the mountains upside down to get the ore.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 28:10

ULT

¹⁰ He cuts out channels among the rocks; his eye sees every valuable thing there.

UST

¹⁰ They cut tunnels through the rocks, and they find precious things.

What does man see in the channels he cuts among the rocks?

His eye sees every valuable thing there.

Job 28:11

ULT

¹¹ He ties up the streams so they do not run; what is hidden there he brings out to the light.

UST

¹¹ They dam up small streams to stop the water from flowing, and they bring up into the light things that are hidden in the ground and in the streams.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 28:12

ULT

¹² Where will wisdom be found? Where is the place of understanding?

UST

¹² But wisdom: Where can people find that? Where can we find out how to truly understand things?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 28:13

ULT

¹³ Man does not know its price; neither is it found in the land of the living.

UST

¹³ Humans do not know what wisdom is truly worth; no one can find it here on this earth where they are living.

Where are wisdom and understanding not found?

Both of these are not found in the land of the living.

Job 28:14

ULT

¹⁴ The deep waters under the earth say, 'It is not in me'; the sea says, 'It is not with me.'

UST

¹⁴ It is as though the water that is under the earth and water that is in the seas said, 'I do not have it!'

Job 28:15

ULT

¹⁵ It cannot be gotten for gold; neither can silver be weighed as its price.

UST

¹⁵ People cannot buy wisdom by paying for it with silver or gold.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 28:16

ULT

¹⁶ It cannot be valued with the gold of Ophir, with precious onyx or sapphire.

UST

¹⁶ Wisdom is worth much more than fine gold from the land of Ophir, much more than very valuable stones.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 28:17

ULT

¹⁷ Gold and crystal cannot equal it in worth; neither can it be exchanged for jewels of fine gold.

UST

¹⁷ It is worth much more than gold or beautiful quartz; wisdom is more expensive than the finest jewels, and it is worth more than a vase made with pure gold.

What cannot equal the worth of wisdom and understanding?

Gold and crystal cannot equal both of these in worth.

Job 28:18

ULT

¹⁸ No mention is worth making of coral or jasper; indeed, the price of wisdom is more than rubies.

UST

¹⁸ Wisdom is worth more than coral or crystal quartz; the price of wisdom is higher than the price of rubies.

The price of wisdom is more than what jewel?

The price of wisdom is more than rubies.

Job 28:19

ULT

¹⁹ The topaz of Cush does not equal it; neither can it be valued in terms of pure gold.

UST

¹⁹ The prices of topaz from Ethiopia and of pure gold are lower than the value of wisdom.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 28:20

ULT

²⁰ From where, then, comes wisdom? Where is the place of understanding?

UST

²⁰ So from where does wisdom come? Where can we find out how to truly understand things?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 28:21

ULT

²¹ Wisdom is hidden from the eyes of all living things and is kept hidden from the birds of the heavens.

UST

²¹ No living humans can see it; and birds cannot see it while they are up in the sky.

From whose eyes is wisdom hidden?

Wisdom is hidden from the eyes of all living things.

Job 28:22

ULT

²² Destruction and Death say, 'We have heard just a rumor about it with our ears.'

UST

²² It is as though the places where people go after they die said, 'We have only heard rumors about where to find wisdom.'

Job 28:23

ULT

²³ God understands the way to it; he knows its place.

UST

²³ God is the only one who knows how to find wisdom; he knows where it is

Who knows wisdom's place?

God understands the way to wisdom and he knows its place.

Job 28:24

ULT

²⁴ For he looks to the very ends of the earth and sees under all the heavens.

UST

²⁴ because he can see things even in the most remote places on the earth; he can see everything that is below the sky.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 28:25

ULT

²⁵ He made the force of the wind and parceled out the waters by measure.

UST

²⁵ He decided how strongly the winds should blow, and how much rain should be in the clouds.

What did God parcel out by measure?

He parceled out the waters by measure.

Job 28:26

ULT

²⁶ He made a decree for the rain and a path for the thunder.

UST

²⁶ He decided where rain should fall, and what path lightning should take from the clouds down to the ground.

For what did God make a decree?

He made a decree for the rain.

Job 28:27

ULT

²⁷ Then he saw wisdom and announced it; he established it, indeed, and he examined it.

UST

²⁷ At that time he saw wisdom and decided that it is very valuable. He examined it and approved it.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 28:28

ULT

²⁸ To people he said, 'See, the fear of the Lord—that is wisdom; to depart from evil is understanding.'"

UST

²⁸ And then he said to human beings, 'Listen! If you have much respect for me, you will be able to become wise; to truly understand everything, you must first turn away from doing what is evil."

What did God tell people is wisdom?

To people God said, "See, the fear of the Lord—that is wisdom."

Job 29

Job 29:1

ULT

¹ Job resumed speaking and said,

UST

¹ Job spoke again and said this:

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 29:2

ULT

² "Oh, that I were as I was in the past months when God cared for me,

UST

² "I wish that I could be as I was previously during the years when God took care of me.

Does Job recall a time when God cared for him?

Job remembers that in the past months God had cared for him.

Job 29:3

ULT

³ when his lamp shined on my head, and when I walked through darkness by his light.

UST

³ During those years, it was as though God's lamp shone on me and gave me light while I walked in the darkness.

Job 29:4

ULT

⁴ Oh, that I were as I was in the ripeness of my days when the friendship of God was on my tent,

UST

⁴ At that time I was young and strong, and because God was my friend, he protected where I lived.

What was on Job's tent in the ripeness of his days?

Job remembers the ripeness of his days, when the friendship of God was on his tent.

Job 29:5

ULT

⁵ when the Almighty was yet with me, and my children were around me,

UST

⁵ Almighty God was with me during those years when all my children were around me.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 29:6

ULT

⁶ when my way was covered with cream, and the rock poured out for me streams of oil!

UST

⁶ My herds provided me with plenty of milk, and streams of oil flowed from the rock where my servants pressed the olives.

What had the rock poured out for Job in the past?

When the almighty was with Job, the rock poured out for him streams of oil.

Job 29:7

ULT

⁷ When I went out to the city gate, when I sat in my place in the city square,

UST

⁷ Whenever I went to the place where the elders gathered at the city gate, I sat down with them,

Job 29:8

ULT

⁸ the young men saw me and kept their distance from me in respect, and the aged people rose and stood for me.

UST

⁸ and when the young men saw me, they stepped aside respectfully, and the old men also stood respectfully.

How did the young men show respect for Job in the city square?

They saw Job and kept their distance from him in respect.

Job 29:9

ULT

⁹ The princes used to refrain from talking when I came; they would lay their hand on their mouths.

UST

⁹ The leaders of the people used to stop talking,

What did the princes do in the past when Job came?

They used to refrain from talking when he came.

Job 29:10

ULT

¹⁰ The voices of the noblemen were hushed, and their tongue clung to the roof of their mouths.

UST

¹⁰ and even the most important men became quiet and stopped talking in order to hear me speak to them.

What happened to the tongue of the noblemen when Job came?

Their tongue clung to the roof of their mouths.

Job 29:11

ULT

¹¹ For after their ears heard me, they would then bless me; after their eyes saw me, they would then give witness to me and approve of me

UST

¹¹ When they all heard what I told them, they said good things about me. When they saw me, they always praised me

What would the noblemen do after their eyes saw Job?

They would then give witness to Job and approve of him.

Job 29:12

ULT

¹² because I rescued the one who was poor when he cried out, and the one who had no father when he had no one to help him.

UST

¹² because I had helped those who were poor when they cried out for help, and because I aided those who had no fathers, those who had no one else to help them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 29:13

ULT

¹³ The blessing of him who was about to perish came on me; I caused the widow's heart to sing for joy.

UST

¹³ Those who were suffering and about to die praised me, and I caused widows to sing joyfully, because I helped them.

What did Job cause the widow's heart to do?

He caused her heart to sing for joy.

Job 29:14

ULT

¹⁴ I put on righteousness, and it clothed me; my justice was like a robe and a turban.

UST

¹⁴ I always acted justly; my actions were like a robe that I wore and like a turban that was wrapped around my head.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 29:15

ULT

¹⁵ I was eyes to blind people; I was feet to lame people.

UST

¹⁵ It was as though I myself saw for blind people and walked for people who were lame.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 29:16

ULT

¹⁶ I was a father to needy people; I would examine the case even of one whom I did not know.

UST

¹⁶ I was like a father to the poor people, and in the courts I defended those who were strangers to me.

What had Job done even for the person he did not know?

He would examine the case even of one whom he did not know.

Job 29:17

ULT

¹⁷ I broke the jaws of the unrighteous man; I plucked the victim out from between his teeth.

UST

¹⁷ I made wicked people stop oppressing others; it was like someone who breaks the teeth of wild animals and forces them to drop their victims from their teeth.

Who would Job pluck from the teeth of the unrighteous?

He plucked the victim out from between the teeth of the unrighteous.

Job 29:18

ULT

¹⁸ Then I said, 'I will die in my nest; I will multiply my days like the grains of sand.

UST

¹⁸ At that time I thought, 'Surely I will live in peace until I am very old, and I will die at home with my family.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 29:19

ULT

¹⁹ My roots are spread out to the waters, and dew lies all night on my branches.

UST

¹⁹ I am like a tree whose roots reach down into the water and whose branches become wet with dew each night.

Job 29:20

ULT

²⁰ The honor in me is always fresh, and the bow of my strength is always new in my hand.'

UST

²⁰ People always honor me, and I am always strong like a new bow.'

What does Job say is always new in his hand?

The bow of his strength is always new in his hand.

Job 29:21

ULT

²¹ To me men listened; they waited for me; they stayed silent to hear my advice.

UST

²¹ When I spoke, people waited to hear what I would say; they remained silent until I advised them what they should do.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 29:22

ULT

²² After my words were done, they did not speak again; my speech dropped like water on them.

UST

²² After I finished speaking, they did not say anymore; it was as though my words fell on their ears like drops of rain.

Job 29:23

ULT

²³ They always waited for me as they waited for rain; they opened their mouth wide to drink in my words, as they would do for the latter rain.

UST

²³ They waited for me to speak as they wait for rain; they liked what I said as farmers appreciate the final rain in the spring before the dry season.

What did men wait to drink in like rain from Job?

They opened their mouth wide to drink in his words as they would for the latter rain.

Job 29:24

ULT

²⁴ I smiled on them when they did not expect it; they did not reject the light of my face.

UST

²⁴ When they were sad, I smiled at them to encourage them; they became encouraged when they saw my cheerful face.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 29:25

ULT

²⁵ I selected their way and sat as their chief; I lived like a king in his army, like one who comforts mourners.

UST

²⁵ I was their leader, and I decided what things would be good for them to do; I was among them like a king who is among his troops; I was like someone who comforts others who are mourning."

To what does Job compare himself at a funeral?

He say that he is like one who comforts mourners at a funeral.

Job 30

Job 30:1

ULT

¹ Now those who are younger than I have nothing but mockery for me— these young men whose fathers I would have refused to allow to work beside the dogs of my flock.

UST

¹ "But now, men who are younger than I am make fun of me— men whose fathers I greatly despised— their fathers, whom I would not even have allowed to help my dogs guard my sheep.

Who has nothing but mockery for Job?

Those who are younger than Job have nothing but mockery for him.

Job 30:2

ULT

² Indeed, the strength of their fathers' hands, how could it have helped me— men in whom the strength of their mature age had perished?

UST

² They were men who were old and weak; what could I gain from having these men work for me, even when they thought they were strong?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 30:3

ULT

³ They were thin from poverty and hunger; they gnawed at the dry ground in the darkness of wilderness and desolation.

UST

³ They were very poor and hungry, so that they chewed on roots at night in dry and desolate places.

What made the young men's fathers thin?

They were thin from poverty and hunger.

Job 30:4

ULT

⁴ They plucked saltwort and bushes' leaves; the roots of the broom tree were their food.

UST

⁴ They pulled up plants in the desert and ate them; they warmed themselves by burning the roots of broom trees.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 30:5

ULT

⁵ They were driven out from among people who shouted after them as one would shout after a thief.

UST

⁵ Everyone shouted at them, "Stop, thief!" and drove them from their area.

From where were the young men's fathers driven out?

Their fathers were driven out from among people.

Job 30:6

ULT

⁶ So they had to live in river valleys, in holes of the earth and of the rocks.

UST

⁶ They were forced to live in riverbeds, in holes in the ground, and in the sides of cliffs.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 30:7

ULT

⁷ Among the bushes they brayed like donkeys and they gathered together under the nettles.

UST

⁷ In the bushes they howled like animals because they were hungry, and they huddled together under thornbushes.

Job 30:8

ULT

⁸ They were the sons of fools, indeed, sons of nameless people! They were driven out of the land with whips.

UST

⁸ They were people without good sense, whose names no one knows; they were driven out from the land where they were born.

Of whom does Job say the young men's fathers are descendants.

Job says that they were descendants of fools, indeed, of worthless men.

Job 30:9

ULT

⁹ But now I have become the subject of their taunting song; I have become a byword for them.

UST

⁹ Now their children sing songs to make fun of me. They tell jokes about me.

What had Job become for the sons of the worthless men?

Job had become their subject for a song of mockery.

Job 30:10

ULT

¹⁰ They abhor me and stand far off from me; they do not refrain from spitting in my face.

UST

¹⁰ They are disgusted with me, and they stay away from me, but when they see me, they are happy to spit in my face.

Job 30:11

ULT

¹¹ For God has unstrung the string to my bow and afflicted me, and those who taunt me cast off restraint before my face.

UST

¹¹ It seems as though God had cut my bowstring and caused me to be unable to defend myself; he has humbled me, and my enemies have done to me whatever they wanted.

What do the people now lose in front of Job?

These people lose all self-control in front of him.

Job 30:12

ULT

¹² Upon my right hand rise the rabble; they drive me away and pile up against me their siege mounds.

UST

¹² Gangs of these people attack me and force me to run away; they prepare to destroy me.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 30:13

ULT

¹³ They destroy my path; they push forward disaster for me, men who have no one to hold them back.

UST

¹³ They prevent me from escaping, and there is no one to keep them from attacking me.

Why are the men able to push forward disaster for Job?

They push forward disaster for him, for they have no one to hold them back.

Job 30:14

ULT

¹⁴ They come against me like an army through a wide hole in a city wall; in the midst of the destruction they roll themselves in on me.

UST

¹⁴ It is as though I were a city wall and they had broken through it, as though they had come crashing down on me.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 30:15

ULT

¹⁵ Terrors are turned upon me; my honor is driven away as if by the wind; my prosperity passes away as a cloud.

UST

¹⁵ I am very terrified; my dignity has been blown away by the wind, and my prosperity has disappeared as clouds disappear.

What does Job say is driven away by the wind?

His honor is driven away as if by the wind.

Job 30:16

ULT

¹⁶ Now my life is pouring out from within me; many days of suffering have laid hold on me.

UST

¹⁶ Now I am about to die; I suffer every day.

What has laid hold of Job as his life is pouring out within him?

Many days of suffering have laid hold on him.

Job 30:17

ULT

¹⁷ In the night my bones in me are pierced; the pains that gnaw at me take no rest.

UST

¹⁷ My bones ache during the nights, and the pain that torments me never stops.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 30:18

ULT

¹⁸ God's great force has seized my clothing; it wraps around me like the collar of my tunic.

UST

¹⁸ It is as though God had grabbed my clothes and choked me by the collar of my coat.

What does Job say has seized his clothing?

God's great force has seized my clothing.

Job 30:19

ULT

¹⁹ He has thrown me into the mud; I have become like dust and ashes.

UST

¹⁹ He has thrown me into the mud; I am not worth anything more than dust and ashes.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 30:20

ULT

²⁰ I cry to you, God, but you do not answer me; I stand up, and you merely look at me.

UST

²⁰ I cry out to you, God, but you do not answer me; I stand up and pray, but you do not pay any attention.

Job 30:21

ULT

²¹ You have changed and become cruel to me; with the strength of your hand you persecute me.

UST

²¹ You act very cruelly toward me; with all of your power you cause me to suffer.

How does Job say God persecutes him as he has changed and become cruel?

God has changed and become cruel to him; with the power of his hand God persecutes him.

Job 30:22

ULT

²² You lift me up to the wind and cause it to drive me along; you throw me back and forth in a storm. ^[1]

UST

²² You allow the wind to lift me up and blow me away; and you make a violent storm blow me around.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 30:23

ULT

²³ For I know that you will bring me to death, to the house appointed for all the living.

UST

²³ I know that you will cause me to die, which is what happens to everyone who is alive.

What does Job know is destined for all living things?

He knows that God will bring him to death, to the house destined for all living things.

Job 30:24

ULT

²⁴ However, does no one reach out with his hand to beg for help when he falls? Does no one in trouble call out for help?

UST

²⁴ When people experience disasters, they sit on a pile of ruins and cry out for help; they certainly cry out for help.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 30:25

ULT

²⁵ Did not I weep for him who was in trouble? Did I not grieve for the needy man?

UST

²⁵ I myself wept for people who were experiencing troubles, and I felt sorry for poor people.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 30:26

ULT

²⁶ When I hoped for good, then evil came; when I waited for light, darkness came instead.

UST

²⁶ However, when I expected good things to happen to me, evil things happened; when I waited for light, I experienced darkness instead.

What came when Job waited for light?

When he waited for light, darkness came instead.

Job 30:27

ULT

²⁷ My heart is troubled and does not rest; days of affliction have come on me.

UST

²⁷ I am very distressed all the time; I suffer every day.

Job 30:28

ULT

²⁸ I have gone about like one who was living in the dark, but not because of the sun; I stand up in the assembly and cry for help.

UST

²⁸ I go about very discouraged; I stand up and plead for people to help me.

Where did Job stand to call for help?

He stood up in the assembly and cried for help.

Job 30:29

ULT

²⁹ I am a brother to jackals, a companion of ostriches.

UST

²⁹ My wailing is as sad as jackals and ostriches in the wilderness.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 30:30

ULT

³⁰ My skin is black and falls away from me; my bones are burned with heat.

UST

³⁰ My skin has become dark and is peeling off, and I have a fever which causes my body to feel as though it were burning up with a fever.

Job 30:31

ULT

³¹ Therefore my harp is tuned for songs of mourning, my flute for the singing of those who wail. $30:22^{[1]}$.

UST

³¹ Previously, I played joyful music on my harp and with my flute, but now I play only the sad music of those who mourn."

For what kind of music does Job say his harp is tuned?

Job says that his harp is tuned for songs of mourning.

Job 31

Job 31:1

ULT

¹ I have made a covenant with my eyes; how then should I look with desire on a virgin?

UST

¹ "I made to myself a solemn promise that I would not look at a young woman and want to sleep with her.

What desire does Job say is subdued by a covenant with his eyes?

Job has made a covenant with his eyes to not look with desire on a virgin.

Job 31:2

ULT

² For what is the portion from God above, the inheritance from the Almighty on high?

UST

² If I did not do what I promised, what would God who is in heaven give me? Almighty God would certainly not give me any reward!

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 31:3

ULT

³ I used to think that calamity is for unrighteous people, and that disaster is for doers of wickedness.

UST

³ Previously I thought that surely it was unrighteous people who would experience calamities, and that it was those who do what is wrong who would experience disasters.

For whom did Job use to think calamity was reserved?

Job used to think that calamity was for the unrighteous.

Job 31:4

ULT

⁴ Does not God see my ways and count all my steps?

UST

⁴ God certainly sees everything that I do, so why is he causing me to suffer? It is as though he were counting every step that I take.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 31:5

ULT

⁵ If I have walked with falsehood, if my foot has hurried to deceit,

UST

⁵ I solemnly declare that I have never acted wickedly and have never tried to deceive people.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 31:6

ULT

⁶ let me be weighed in an even balance so that God will know my integrity.

UST

⁶ I request only that God judge me fairly; if he does that, he will know that I am innocent.

What does Job ask to be done so that God would know his integrity?

He asks to be weighed in an even balance, so that God would know his integrity.

Job 31:7

ULT

⁷ If my step has turned aside from the way, if my heart has gone after my eyes, if any spot has stuck to my hands,

UST

⁷ If it were true that I had turned away from walking on the right paths, or that I had seen wrong things to do and then did them, or that my hands were stained because I had sinned,

Job 31:8

ULT

⁸ then let me sow, and let another eat, and let my crops be uprooted.

UST

⁸ then I hope that when I plant seeds, someone else will harvest the crops and eat them, and that others will uproot the crops that I have planted.

What does Job ask to happen to the harvest, if he has turned out of the right way? He says to let the harvest be uprooted out of his field.

Job 31:9

ULT

⁹ If my heart has been deceived by a woman, if I have lain in wait at my neighbor's door,

UST

⁹ If it is true that I have been attracted by some other man's wife, or that I have hidden myself and waited outside the door to her house.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 31:10

ULT

¹⁰ then let my wife grind grain for another, and let others bow down on her.

UST

¹⁰ I hope another man will sleep with my own wife and that she will sleep with him.

What does Job say should be the judgement if he was attracted to another woman? Job says to let his wife grind grain for another man.

Job 31:11

ULT

¹¹ For that would be a terrible crime; indeed, it would be a crime to be punished by judges.

UST

¹¹ For me to do that would be a terrible sin, and the judges would decide that I should be punished.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 31:12

ULT

¹² For that is a fire that consumes as far as Abaddon, and it would burn all my harvest to the root.

UST

¹² My adultery would produce in me a fire like the fire that burns people in hell, and it would burn up everything that I own.

What kind of fire does Job say this crime is like?

Job says that it is a fire that consumes everything for sheol.

Job 31:13

ULT

¹³ If I ignored the plea for justice from my male or female servant when they argued with me,

UST

¹³ If it is true that I have ever refused to listen to one of my male or female servants when they complained to me about something,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 31:14

ULT

¹⁴ what then would I do when God rises up to accuse me? When he comes to judge me, how would I answer him?

UST

¹⁴ I hope that God would stand up and declare that he will punish me; when he does that, what could I do? If he asked me about what I have done, what would I answer?

Job 31:15

ULT

¹⁵ Did the one who made me in the womb not make them also? Did not the same one mold us all in the womb?

UST

¹⁵ God, who created me, certainly also created my servants; surely he is the one who formed them and me in our mothers' wombs, so we all should behave toward each other in the same way.

What did God do for both the servants and for Job?

God made and molded them all in the womb.

Job 31:16

ULT

¹⁶ If I have withheld poor people from their desire, or if I have caused the eyes of the widow to grow dim from crying,

UST

¹⁶⁻¹⁸ From the time I was young I have taken care of orphans; All my life I have never given the widowed mothers a reason to lose hope. So if it is true that I ate all my food myself and did not share some of it with orphans, or that I refused to give poor people the things that they wanted, or that I caused widows to live in despair, then you do to me whatever you must do to me.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 31:17

ULT

¹⁷ or if I have eaten my morsel alone and not allowed those without fathers to eat it also—

UST

17

Job 31:18

ULT

¹⁸ because from my youth the orphan grew up with me as with a father, and I have guided his mother, a widow, from my own mother's womb.

UST

18

How does Job say he has treated the orphan from his youth?

He says the orphan grew up with him as with a father.

Job 31:19

ULT

¹⁹ If I have seen anyone perish for lack of clothing, or if I have seen that a needy man had no clothing;

UST

¹⁹ If I had seen people die from cold because they had no clothes, or that I had seen poor people who did not have clothes to keep them warm,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 31:20

ULT

²⁰ if his heart has not blessed me because he has not been warmed with the wool of my sheep,

UST

²⁰ and they were not able to become warm from clothes made from the wool of my sheep and they thanked me for it,

What should be offered to warm the needy with no clothing?

They should have been warmed with the wool of his sheep.

Job 31:21

ULT

²¹ if I have lifted up my hand against fatherless people because I saw my support in the city gate, then bring charges against me!

UST

²¹ or if it is true that I threatened to strike any orphan because I knew that the elders at the city gates would approve of me, then do to me whatever you must do to me.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 31:22

ULT

²² If I have done these things, then let my shoulder fall from the shoulder blade, and let my arm be broken from its joint.

UST

²² For if those things were true about me, I hope that my shoulder blade would be torn out and my arm be torn from my shoulder.

What part of his body does Job say should come off if he has failed to have compassion? Job says to let his shoulder fall from the shoulder blade.

Job 31:23

ULT

²³ For I dreaded destruction from God; because of his majesty, I was not able to do those things.

UST

²³ I always feared that God would cause me to experience a great disaster if I did any of those evil things, and I would not have been able to endure the powerful things that he would do to punish me.

Job 31:24

ULT

²⁴ If I have made gold my hope, and if I have said to fine gold, 'You are what I am confident in';

UST

²⁴ If it is true that I trusted in my gold,

What could people say to fine gold?

They could say to fine gold, "You are my confidence."

Job 31:25

ULT

²⁵ if I have rejoiced because my wealth was great, because my hand had gotten many possessions, then bring charges against me!

UST

²⁵ or that I rejoiced because I had acquired many things and had become very rich,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 31:26

ULT

²⁶ If I have seen the sun when it shone, or the moon walking in its brightness,

UST

²⁶ or that I looked at the sun when it was shining, or that I looked at the beautiful moon,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 31:27

ULT

²⁷ and if my heart has been secretly attracted, so that my mouth has kissed my hand in worship of them—

UST

²⁷ and I had been tempted to worship them by kissing my hand to honor them,

Job 31:28

ULT

²⁸ this also would be a crime to be punished by judges, for I would have denied the God who is above.

UST

²⁸ those things also would be sins for which the judges would say that I must be punished because I would have been rejecting God by doing those things.

Who would Job be denying if he worshipped the sun or moon?

If he worshiped them he would have denied the God who is above.

Job 31:29

ULT

²⁹ If I have rejoiced at the destruction of anyone who hated me or congratulated myself when disaster overtook him, then bring charges against me!

UST

29-30 It is not true that I sinned by requesting God to curse people who hated me and to cause them to die because I was angry with them. It is not true that I was glad when they were ruined or that I rejoiced when they experienced disasters. No!

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 31:30

ULT

³⁰ Indeed, I have not even allowed my mouth to sin by asking for his life with a curse.

UST

30

How has Job not suffered his mouth to sin?

Job has not suffered his mouth to sin by asking for the life of those who hate him with a curse.

Job 31:31

ULT

³¹ If the men of my tent have never said, 'Who can find one who has not been filled with Job's food?'

UST

³¹⁻³² No one can truthfully that I did not welcome travelers to stay in my house, or that I did not open my doors to them, but that I forced them to sleep in the streets! All the men who work for me certainly know that I have given food to anyone who needed it!

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 31:32

ULT

³² (even the foreigner has never had to stay in the city square, because I have always opened my doors to the traveler), and if that is not so, then bring charges against me!

UST

32

What had Job always done for the traveler?

He had always opened his doors to the traveler.

Job 31:33

ULT

³³ If, like mankind, I have hidden my sins by hiding my guilt inside my tunic

UST

³³ Some people try to hide their sins, but I have never done that;

How does Job say mankind has hidden his sins?

He has hidden his sins by hiding his guilt inside his tunic.

Job 31:34

ULT

³⁴ (because I feared the great multitude, because the contempt of families terrified me, so that I kept silent and would not go outside), then bring charges against me!

UST

³⁴ and I never remained silent and refused to go outside because I was afraid of what people would say about me, and that they would hate me.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 31:35

ULT

³⁵ Oh, if only I had someone to hear me! See, here is my signature; let the Almighty answer me! If only I had the indictment that my opponent has written!

UST

³⁵ I wish that there was someone who would hear what I am saying! I solemnly declare that all that I have said is true. I wish that those who oppose me would write down on a scroll the evil things that they say that I did.

What does Job want to have that his opponent has written?

Job desired the indictment that his opponent had written.

Job 31:36

ULT

³⁶ Surely I would carry it openly on my shoulder; I would put it on like a crown.

UST

³⁶ If they did that, I would wear that scroll on my shoulder or on top of my head, in order that everyone could see it.

Job 31:37

ULT

³⁷ I would declare to him an accounting for my steps; as a confident prince I would go up to him.

UST

³⁷ I would tell God everything that I have done, and I would approach him like a ruler would, without being afraid.

How would Job go up to his opponent if he had their indictment?

He would go up to him as a confident prince.

Job 31:38

ULT

³⁸ If my land ever cries out against me, and its furrows weep together,

UST

³⁸ If it is true that I have stolen land, so that its furrows were like someone who shouted out to accuse me;

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 31:39

ULT

³⁹ if I have eaten its harvest without paying for it or have caused its owners to lose their lives,

UST

³⁹ or that I have eaten the crops that grew in someone else's fields without paying for those crops, so that the farmers who grew those crops died from hunger;

Job 31:40

ULT

⁴⁰ then let thorns grow instead of wheat and weeds instead of barley." The words of Job are finished.

UST

⁴⁰ then I wish that thorns would grow in my fields instead of wheat, and that bad weeds would grow instead of barley!" That is the end of what Job said to his three friends.

If Job has caused landowners to lose their lives, what does he call to grow instead of crops?

Job said to let thorns grow instead of wheat and weeds instead of barley.

Job 32

Job 32:1

ULT

¹ So these three men stopped answering Job because he was righteous in his own eyes.

UST

¹ Then those three men stopped replying to Job because they could not convince Job that he had done anything wrong.

What did Job's three friends do when they could not convince Job that he had done anything wrong?

They stopped answering Job.

Job 32:2

ULT

² Then was kindled the anger of Elihu son of Barakel the Buzite, of the family of Ram; it was kindled against Job because he justified himself rather than God.

UST

² Then Elihu son of Barakel, a descendant of Buz, from the clan of Ram, became very angry at Job. He was angry because Job continued to claim that he was innocent, and that God had been wrong to punish him.

What emotion was kindled in Elihu when Job continued to justify himself rather than God? Elihu's anger was kindled against Job.

Job 32:3

ULT

³ Elihu's anger was also kindled against his three friends because they had found no answer to Job, and yet they had condemned Job.

UST

³ He was also angry with Job's three friends because they had declared that Job must have done many things that were wrong, but they could not convince him.

Why was Elihu's anger kindled against Job's three friends? (vv3-5)

He was angry with Job's friends because they had found no answer to Job and yet they had condemned Job.

Job 32:4

ULT

⁴ Now Elihu had waited to speak to Job because the other men were older than he.

UST

⁴ Now Elihu was younger than the others, so he waited until they had finished speaking before he replied to lob.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 32:5

ULT

⁵ However, when Elihu saw that there was no answer in the mouths of these three men, his anger was kindled.

UST

⁵ But when Elihu realized that the three men had no more to say to Job, he became angry.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 32:6

ULT

⁶ Then Elihu son of Barakel the Buzite spoke up and said, "I am young, and you are very old. That is why I held back and did not dare to tell you my own opinion.

UST

⁶ This is what he said: "I am young, and you all are much older than I am. So I was timid, and I was afraid to tell you what I was thinking.

Why was Elihu timid and afraid to tell Job and his friends what he was thinking? (vv6-7) Elihu was young and the others were all very old and should be able to teach wisdom.

Job 32:7

ULT

⁷ I said, "Length of days should speak; a multitude of years should teach wisdom.

UST

⁷ I said to myself, 'Let those who are much older speak because older people should be able to say things that are wise.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 32:8

ULT

⁸ But there is a spirit in a man; the breath of the Almighty gives him understanding.

UST

⁸ However, the Spirit of Almighty God is within people, and it is he who enables them to be wise.

Who does Elihu say gives understanding to man?

The breath of the Almighty gives man understanding.

Job 32:9

ULT

⁹ It is not only the great people who are wise, nor the aged people alone who understand justice.

UST

⁹ Not all people become wise when they are old; not all old people understand what is right.

Why does Elihu say the others should listen to him and allow him to declare what he knows? (vv9-10)

It is not only the great who are wise, and it not the aged alone who understand justice.

Job 32:10

ULT

¹⁰ Therefore I say to you, 'Listen to me; I will also tell you my knowledge.'

UST

¹⁰ That is why I say to you now, 'Listen to me, and allow me to declare what I know.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 32:11

ULT

¹¹ See, I waited for your words; I listened to your arguments while you were thinking about what to say.

UST

¹¹ I waited for you all to speak; I wanted to hear the wise things that you would say. I waited while you thought carefully about what you should say.

What were Job's friends not able to do even though Elihu waited for them to speak, and paid attention carefully? (vv11-12)

Job's friends were not able to convince Job or respond to his words.

Job 32:12

ULT

¹² Indeed, I paid attention to you, but, see, there was not one of you who could convince Job or who could respond to his words.

UST

¹² I paid attention carefully, but surprisingly, none of you was able to prove that what Job said was wrong.

Job 32:13

ULT

¹³ Be careful not to say, 'We have found wisdom!' God will have to defeat Job; mere man cannot do it.

UST

¹³ So do not say to yourselves, 'We have discovered what is wise!' It is God who must refute Job because you three have not been able to do that.

Who does Elihu say must refute Job when the three friends, who thought they were wise, were not able to do that?

It is God who must refute Job.

Job 32:14

ULT

¹⁴ For Job has not directed his words against me, so I will not answer him with your words.

UST

¹⁴ Job was replying to you, not to me, so I will not reply to him by saying what you three have said.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 32:15

ULT

¹⁵ These three men are dumbfounded; they can answer Job no longer; they have not a word more to say.

UST

¹⁵ I tell myself this: These three men are confused because they have nothing more to say to Job; they have nothing more to say to him.

What does Elihu decide to do because the three friends were dumbfounded and could not answer Job? (vv15-16)

Elihu decided that because the friends had not a word more to say, he will not wait any longer.

Job 32:16

ULT

¹⁶ Should I wait because they are not speaking, because they stand there silent and answer no more?

UST

¹⁶ But because you do not speak, I certainly will not wait any longer; you merely stand there and do not reply anymore.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 32:17

ULT

¹⁷ No, I also will answer on my part; I will also tell them my knowledge.

UST

¹⁷ So now I also will reply to Job and tell him what I know.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 32:18

ULT

¹⁸ For I am full of words; the spirit in me compels me.

UST

¹⁸ I have plenty to say, and my spirit forces me to say it.

What is it that compels Elihu to share his knowledge with Job?

The spirit compels Elihu to share his knowledge.

Job 32:19

ULT

¹⁹ See, my breast is like fermenting wine that has no vent; like new wineskins, it is ready to burst.

UST

¹⁹ My inner being is like a container of wine that is stretching more and more from the fermentation, and it will soon burst.

What does Elihu say he is feeling like within his breast?

He says his breast feels like wine in new wineskins that are ready to burst.

Job 32:20

ULT

²⁰ I will speak so that I may be refreshed; I will open my lips and answer.

UST

²⁰ I must speak in order that I can rest from trying to hold in my words; I must say something to reply to you all

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 32:21

ULT

²¹ I will not show favoritism; neither will I give honorific titles to any man.

UST

²¹ I will speak fairly, not favoring any of you, and I will not try to flatter anyone.

What does Elihu say his Maker would do to him if he were to speak and give honorific titles to any man? (vv21-22)

Elihu says that his Maker would soon take him away.

Job 32:22

ULT

 22 For I do not know how to give such titles; if I did so, my Maker would soon take me away.

UST

²² I really do not know how to flatter people; if I did that, God would soon destroy me."

Job 33

Job 33:1

ULT

¹ So now, Job, I beg you, hear my speech; listen to all my words.

UST

¹ "Now, Job, listen carefully to all that I am going to say.

Why does Elihu beg Job to listen to the words he will speak? (vv1-3)

Elihu begs Job to listen because he will speak the uprightness of his heart.

Job 33:2

ULT

² See now, I have opened my mouth; my tongue has spoken in my mouth.

UST

² I am ready to tell you what I think.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 33:3

ULT

³ My words come from the uprightness of my heart; my lips speak pure knowledge.

UST

³ In my inner being I know that I am speaking honestly and that I am speaking sincerely.

Job 33:4

ULT

⁴ The Spirit of God has made me; the breath of the Almighty has given me life.

UST

⁴ Almighty God has created me as well as you, and with his breath he has caused me to live.

Who has made Elihu and what has given him life?

The Spirit of God made Elihu and the Almighty gave him life.

Job 33:5

ULT

⁵ If you can, answer me; set your words in order before me and stand up.

UST

⁵ So answer what I say if you can; think carefully what you will reply to me.

What does Elihu ask Job to do if Job could answer Elihu?

He asks Job to set his words in order and stand up before Elihu.

Job 33:6

ULT

⁶ See, I am just as you are in God's sight; I also have been formed out of the clay.

UST

⁶ God considers that you and I are both the same; he formed both of us from clay.

What reason does Elihu give that Job should not be afraid of him or feel pressure from Elihu? (vv6-7)

Elihu tells job that they are the same in God's sight and were both formed out of the clay.

Job 33:7

ULT

⁷ See, terror of me will not make you afraid; neither will my pressure be heavy upon you.

UST

⁷ So you do not need to be afraid of me; I will not speak against you harshly.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 33:8

ULT

⁸ You have certainly spoken in my hearing; I have heard the sound of your words saying,

UST

⁸ I have heard you speak, and this is what you have said:

What had Elihu heard Job saying? (vv8-9)

Elihu heard Job saying that he was clean, without transgression, innocent and there was no sin in him.

Job 33:9

ULT

⁹ 'I am clean and without transgression; I am innocent, and there is no sin in me.

UST

⁹ 'I am innocent, and I have not committed any sins; I am pure, and I have not done things that are wrong.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 33:10

ULT

¹⁰ See, God finds opportunities to attack me; he regards me as his enemy.

UST

¹⁰ But God finds reasons to accuse me, and he considers that I am his enemy.

Who does Job blame for finding opportunities to attack him, and for regarding him as an enemy?

Job blames God for doing these things.

Job 33:11

ULT

¹¹ He puts my feet in stocks; he watches all my paths.'

UST

¹¹ It is as though he had put my feet in stocks, and he watches everything that I do.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 33:12

ULT

¹² See, in this you are not right—I will answer you, for God is greater than man.

UST

¹² However, what you have said is wrong, and I will tell you what you have said that is wrong. God is much greater than any human.

How does Elihu say God compares to man?

Elihu says God is greater than man.

Job 33:13

ULT

¹³ Why do you struggle against him? He does not account for any of his doings.

UST

¹³ So, why are you arguing against God? He does not have to tell us why he does anything.

Why does Elihu say it is useless to struggle against God?

God does not have to account for any of his doings.

Job 33:14

ULT

¹⁴ For God speaks once— yes, twice, though man does not notice it.

UST

¹⁴ God does, indeed, speak to us in various ways, but we do not pay any attention to what he says.

How does Elihu say that God speaks to man? (vv14-15)

God speaks in a dream and in a vision during the night while men are sleeping.

Job 33:15

ULT

¹⁵ In a dream, in a vision of the night, when deep sleep falls upon men, in slumber on the bed—

UST

¹⁵ Sometimes he speaks to us at night in dreams and visions when we are on our beds, heavily asleep.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 33:16

ULT

¹⁶ then God opens the ears of men, and frightens them with threats,

UST

¹⁶ He reveals things to us in those times; he terrifies us by warning us about things.

Why does God open the ears of men and frighten them with threats? (vv16-17)

God does this in order to pull man back from sinful purposes and keep pride from him.

Job 33:17

ULT

¹⁷ in order to pull man back from his sinful purposes, and keep pride from him.

UST

¹⁷ He tells us those things in order that we may stop doing evil deeds and to prevent us from becoming proud.

Job 33:18

ULT

¹⁸ God keeps man's life back from the pit, his life from crossing over to death.

UST

¹⁸ He does not want us to be destroyed; he wants to prevent us from dying while we are still young.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 33:19

ULT

¹⁹ Man is punished also with pain on his bed, with constant agony in his bones,

UST

¹⁹ God also corrects us by forcing us to lie on our beds, suffering much pain and fever in our bones.

What does Elihu say is the reason that man has pain on his bed, agony in his bones, and no desire for food or delicacies? (vv19-20)

Elihu says that this is because man is being punished.

Job 33:20

ULT

²⁰ so that his life abhors food, and his soul abhors delicacies.

UST

²⁰ The result is that we do not desire any food, not even very special food.

Job 33:21

ULT

²¹ His flesh is consumed away so that it cannot be seen; his bones, once not seen, now stick out.

UST

²¹ Our bodies become very thin so that we look like a skeleton, and our bones stick out so others can count them.

What does Elihu say happens to a man who is being punished by God? (vv21-22)

A man's flesh is consumed, his bones stick out and his soul draws close to the pit.

Job 33:22

ULT

²² Indeed, his soul draws close to the pit, his life to those who wish to destroy it.

UST

²² We know that we will soon die and go to the place where dead people are.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 33:23

ULT

²³ But if there is an angel who can be a mediator for him, one out of a thousand, to tell a man what is right for him,

UST

²³ Yet sometimes an angel may come to one of us, one of the thousands of angels who come to intervene between us and God, to tell us what are the right things for us to do.

Job 33:24

ULT

²⁴ to be gracious to him and say, 'Save this person from going down to the pit; I have found a ransom for him.'

UST

²⁴ The angel is kind to us and says to God, 'Please release that person, so that he does not descend to the place where dead people are! Do that because I have found a way for you to keep him from dying!

What could an angel mediator say to God to save a person from going down to the pit? The angel could ay to God, "I have found a ransom for him."

Job 33:25

ULT

²⁵ Then his flesh will become fresher than a child's; it is restored to the days of his youth.

UST

²⁵ Please let his body be strong again; please allow him to be strong like he was when he was young!

What will happen to the flesh of the person who is saved from going down to the pit? His flesh will become fresher than a child's.

lob 33:26

ULT

²⁶ He will pray to God, and God will be kind to him, so that he sees God's face with joy. God will give the person his triumph.

UST

²⁶ If that happens, that person will pray to God, and God will accept him; he will enter God's presence joyfully, and then he will tell others how God saved him from dying.

Job 33:27

ULT

²⁷ Then that person will sing in front of other people and say, 'I sinned and perverted that which was right, but my sin was not punished.

UST

²⁷ He will sing as he says to everyone, 'I sinned, and I did things that were not right, but God did not punish me in the way that I deserved.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 33:28

ULT

²⁸ God has rescued my soul from going down into the pit; my life will continue to see light.'

UST

²⁸ He has saved me from dying and going to the place where dead people are, and I will continue to enjoy being alive.'

What will happen to the life of a person who admits his sin and is rescued from the pit by God?

That person's life will continue to see light.

Job 33:29

ULT

²⁹ See, God does all these things with a person, twice, yes, even three times,

UST

²⁹ God does all these things for us many times;

Why does Elihu say that God rescues a person from the pit? (vv29-30)

God does this so that a person may be enlightened with the light of life.

Job 33:30

ULT

³⁰ to bring his soul back from the pit, so that he may be enlightened with the light of life.

UST

³⁰ he preserves us from dying and going to the place where the dead are, in order that we can continue to enjoy being alive.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 33:31

ULT

³¹ Pay attention, Job, and listen to me; be silent and I will speak.

UST

³¹ So Job, listen to me; do not say anything more; just allow me to speak.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 33:32

ULT

³² If you have anything to say, answer me; speak, for I wish to prove that you are in the right.

UST

³² After I speak, if you have something more that you want to say to me, say it, because I would like to find a way to declare that you are innocent.

Job 33:33

ULT

³³ If not, then listen to me; remain silent, and I will teach you wisdom."

UST

³³ However, if you have nothing more that you want to say, then just listen to me, and I will teach you how to become wise."

What does Elihu want to teach Job if Job will pay attention and listen to him and remain silent?

Elihu wants to teach Job wisdom.

Job 34

Job 34:1

ULT

¹ Moreover, Elihu continued to speak:

UST

¹ Then Elihu continued by saying this:

Who does Elihu want to listen to his words and hear him? (vv1-3)

Elhu wants the wise men and those who have knowledge to listen to him.

Job 34:2

ULT

² "Listen to my words, you wise men; hear me, you who have knowledge.

UST

² "You men who think that you are very wise, listen to me; listen to what I am saying, you men who say that you know so much.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 34:3

ULT

³ For the ear tries words as the palate tastes food.

UST

³ When we hear people talk, we think carefully about what they say to know what is good and what is bad, as we taste food to know what is good to eat.

Job 34:4

ULT

⁴ Let us choose for ourselves what is just: let us discover among ourselves what is good.

UST

⁴ We must decide who is saying what is right, and we must find out together for ourselves what is good.

What does Elihu want others to choose and discover for themselves?

Elihu wants them to choose what is just and discover what is good.

Job 34:5

ULT

⁵ For Job has said, 'I am righteous, but God has taken away my rights.

UST

⁵ Job has said, 'I am innocent, but God has refused to judge me fairly.

What does Job say that God has taken away from him even though he is without sin and what is incurable?

Job says that God has taken away his rights.

Job 34:6

ULT

⁶ Regardless of my rights, I am considered to be a liar. My wound is incurable, although I am without sin.'

UST

⁶ Even though I have always done what is right, he is lying about me. Even though I have not done what is wrong, he has caused me to suffer, and I will certainly die because of this.'

Job 34:7

ULT

⁷ What man is like Job, who drinks up mockery like water,

UST

⁷ Is there any person like Job, who insults others as easily as people accept a drink of water?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 34:8

ULT

⁸ who goes around in the company of those who do evil, and who walks with wicked men?

UST

⁸ He habitually associates with people who do what is evil and spends time with wicked people.

In whose company does Elihu say Job goes around?

He says Job goes around in the company of those who do evil.

Job 34:9

ULT

⁹ For he has said, 'It is no use to a person to take pleasure in doing what God wants.'

UST

⁹ He certainly does these things, because he has said, 'It is useless for people to try to please God.'

Job 34:10

ULT

 10 So listen to me, you men of understanding: far be it from God that he should do wickedness; far be it from the Almighty that he should commit sin.

UST

¹⁰ So, you men who claim that you understand everything, listen to me! Almighty God would never consider doing anything that is wicked or wrong!

What does Elihu tell the men of understanding that God does not do? (vv10-12)

God does not do wickedness, commit sin, or pervert justice.

Job 34:11

ULT

¹¹ For he pays back a person's work; he makes every man come upon the reward of his own ways.

UST

¹¹ He pays back people for what they have done; he gives them what they deserve for the way that they have conducted their lives.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 34:12

ULT

¹² Indeed, God does nothing wicked, nor does the Almighty ever pervert justice.

UST

¹² Truly, Almighty God never does what is wicked; he never calls wrongdoing right.

Job 34:13

ULT

¹³ Who put him in charge over the earth? Who put the whole world under him?

UST

¹³ No one gave him the authority to rule everything on the earth; no one put him in control of the whole world. He has always had that authority.

What does Elihu say would happen if God ever gathered back to himself his spirit and his breath? (vv13-15)

All flesh would perish and mankind would return to dust again.

Job 34:14

ULT

¹⁴ If he ever set his intentions only on himself, and if he ever gathered back to himself his spirit and his breath.

UST

¹⁴ If he ever thought only about himself and not about us also, and if he ever stopped making us live,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

lob 34:15

ULT

¹⁵ then all flesh would perish together; mankind would return to dust again.

UST

¹⁵ everyone would die immediately, and their corpses would soon become soil again.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 34:16

ULT

¹⁶ If now you have understanding, listen to this; listen to the sound of my words.

UST

¹⁶ So, Job, if you say that you understand everything, listen to what I am saying.

Job 34:17

ULT

¹⁷ Can one who hates justice govern? Will you condemn God, who is righteous and mighty?

UST

¹⁷ God could certainly never hate what is right and still rule the world. So you really cannot criticize God, who is righteous and powerful, and you cannot say that what he has done is wrong, can you?

Who does Elihu's question imply that Job is condemning?

He implies Job is condemning God who is righteous and mighty.

Job 34:18

ULT

¹⁸ God, who says to a king, 'You are vile,' or says to nobles, 'You are wicked'?

UST

¹⁸ He tells some kings that they are worthless, and he says to some officials that they are wicked.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 34:19

ULT

¹⁹ God, who does not show favoritism to leaders and does not acknowledge rich people more than poor, for they all are the work of his hands.

UST

¹⁹ He does not favor rulers more than he favors others; he does not favor rich people more than poor people because he created all of them.

Who does Elihu say are the works of God's hands?

Leaders, rich and poor, are all the work of God's hands.

Job 34:20

ULT

²⁰ In a moment they will die; at midnight people will be shaken and will pass away; mighty people will be taken away, but not by human hands.

UST

²⁰ They often die suddenly; he strikes them at midnight and they die; he gets rid of important people without the help of any humans.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 34:21

ULT

²¹ For God's eyes are upon a person's ways; he sees all his steps.

UST

²¹ He sees everything that people do; when we walk, he watches every step that we take.

What does Elihu say that God sees.

Elihu says that God sees a person's ways and all his steps.

Job 34:22

ULT

²² There is no darkness, no thick gloom where the doers of iniquity may hide themselves.

UST

²² There is no gloom or darkness in which wicked people can hide from God.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 34:23

ULT

²³ For God does not need to examine a person further; there is no need for any person to go before him in judgment.

UST

²³ God does not need to set a time when we will stand in front of him in order that he may judge us. He already knows everything about us.

Job 34:24

ULT

²⁴ He breaks mighty men into pieces for their ways that need no further investigation; he puts others in their places.

UST

²⁴ He destroys important people without needing to investigate what they have done, and he appoints others to take their places.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 34:25

ULT

²⁵ In this way he has knowledge of their deeds; he overthrows these people in the night; they are destroyed.

UST

²⁵ Because he already knows what they have done, he removes them at night and gets rid of them.

What does God do in the night to mighty men whose ways and deeds he knows? God overthrows them in the night and they are destroyed.

Job 34:26

ULT

²⁶ In the open sight of others, he kills them for their wicked deeds like criminals

UST

²⁶ He strikes them because of the wicked things that they have done; many people see him do it.

What will God do to those who do wicked deeds like criminals and make the cry of the poor come to him?

God will kill them in the open sight of others.

Job 34:27

ULT

²⁷ because they turned away from following him and refused to acknowledge any of his ways.

UST

²⁷ He strikes them down because they turned away from doing what he wanted them to do and did not pay attention to any of his commands.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 34:28

ULT

²⁸ In this way, they made the cry of poor people come to him; he heard the cry of afflicted people.

UST

²⁸ They mistreated poor people; those poor people cried out to God for help, and he heard them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 34:29

ULT

²⁹ When he stays silent, who can condemn him? If he hides his face, who can perceive him? He rules over nation and individual alike.

UST

²⁹ Yet even if God decides to do nothing to punish wicked people, no one can criticize him. God controls all nations and all people.

Over whom does God rule?

God rules over the nation and the individual alike.

Job 34:30

ULT

³⁰ so that a godless man may not rule, so that there may be no one to entrap people.

UST

³⁰ He does this so that those who rule over us may honor him, so that our rulers do not oppress us.

Job 34:31

ULT

³¹ Suppose someone says to God, 'I am certainly guilty, but I will not sin any longer;

UST

³¹ Job, have you or anyone else ever said to God, 'I have certainly committed sin, but I will not sin anymore;

What is Elihu suggesting that Job should admit to God? (vv31-32)

Elihu suggests that Job should admit that he is guilty and has committed sin, but will do it no longer.

Job 34:32

ULT

32 teach me what I cannot see; I have committed sin, but I will do it no longer.

UST

³² so teach me what sins I have committed; if I have done anything that is evil, I will not do it anymore?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 34:33

ULT

³³ Do you think that God will punish that person's sin, since you dislike what God does? You must choose, not I. So say what it is that you know.

UST

³³ Job, you object to what God has done to you, but do you think that he will do what you want him to do? It is you who must choose what you should say to God, not I; tell me what you are thinking about this.

Job 34:34

ULT

³⁴ Men of understanding will say to me— indeed, every wise man who hears me will say,

UST

³⁴ People who have good sense, those who are wise and who listen to what I say, will say to me,

What will men of understanding say about Job? (vv34-35)

They will say that Job speaks without knowledge and wisdom.

Job 34:35

ULT

35 'Job speaks without knowledge; his words are without wisdom.'

UST

³⁵ 'Job is speaking ignorantly; what he says is nonsense.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 34:36

ULT

³⁶ If only Job were put on trial in the smallest details of his case because of his talking like wicked men.

UST

³⁶ To you friends of Job, I say this: I think that a court should thoroughly try Job, because he answers us, his friends, as wicked men would answer.

Job 34:37

ULT

³⁷ For he adds rebellion to his sin; he claps his hands in mockery in our midst; he piles up words against God."

UST

³⁷ To add to the other sins that he has committed, he is rebelling against God; he shows us that he does not honor God; he makes long speeches saying that God has punished him unjustly."

What does Elihu say Job is adding to his sin because of his talking like wicked men? He says that Job is adding rebellion to his sin.

Job 35

Job 35:1

ULT

¹ Moreover Elihu continued, saying,

UST

¹ Then Elihu also said this:

How does Elihu imply Job compares himself to God? (vv1-2)

Elihu implies that Job thinks he is innocent, and that he is more righteous than God.

Job 35:2

ULT

² "Do you think this is just when you say, 'My right before God'?

UST

² "Job, do you really think that you have done nothing wrong? You say, 'God knows that I am innocent,'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 35:3

ULT

 $^{\mathbf{3}}$ For you ask, 'What use is it to me?' and, 'Would I be better off if I had sinned?'

UST

³ and you also say, 'What good have I received for not sinning? What benefit have I received that I would not have had, even if I had sinned?'

Job 35:4

ULT

⁴ I will answer you, both you and your friends.

UST

⁴ Well, I will answer you, and I will answer your three friends, too.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 35:5

ULT

⁵ Look up at the sky, and see it; see the sky, which is higher than you.

UST

⁵ Job, look up at the sky; look at the clouds that are high above you and realize that God is far above everything, entirely out of your reach.

What does Elihu tell Job and his friends to look up and see?

Elihu tells them to look up and see the sky.

Job 35:6

ULT

⁶ If you have sinned, what harm do you do to God? If your transgressions pile up high, what do you do to him?

UST

⁶ If you have sinned, that cannot harm God at all. Even if you do wrong things many, many times, that certainly does not hurt him.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 35:7

ULT

⁷ If you are righteous, what can you give to him? What will he receive from your hand?

UST

⁷ In the same way, if you are righteous, does that help God? No, nothing you do can help him.

Job 35:8

ULT

⁸ Your wickedness may hurt a man, as you are a man, and your righteousness might benefit another son of man.

UST

⁸ It is other people who can suffer because of the wicked things that you do; In the same way, you might help others if you do good things for them.

What effect could Job's wickedness or his rightousness have on another man?

Job's wickedness could hurt a man and his righteousness could benefit another son of man.

Job 35:9

ULT

⁹ Because of many acts of oppression, people cry out; they call for help from the arms of mighty men.

UST

⁹ People cry out because of the many things that others do to make them suffer; they call for help because of the things that powerful people do to them.

Why do people cry out for help from the arms of mighty men?

They cry out for help because of the many acts of oppression.

Job 35:10

ULT

¹⁰ But no one says, 'Where is God my Maker, who gives songs in the night,

UST

¹⁰ But no one calls out to God and says, 'Why does God, my creator, not help me? He should enable me to sing joyful songs, instead of very sad songs, during the night.

What things does Elihu say that God can do for people even though no one acknowledges it? (vv10-11)

God gives songs in the night, teaches us, and makes us wise.

Job 35:11

ULT

¹¹ who teaches us more than he teaches the beasts of the earth, and who makes us wiser than the birds of the sky?'

UST

¹¹ He should be able to teach us more than he teaches the wild animals; he should enable us to become wiser than all the birds are!'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 35:12

ULT

¹² There they cry out, but God gives no answer because of the pride of evil men.

UST

¹² People cry out for help, but God does not answer them because those who cry out are proud and evil people.

Why does Elihu say that God does not give an answer when people cry out to him? Elihu says that God does not give an answer when people cry out because of the pride of evil men.

Job 35:13

ULT

¹³ God will certainly not hear a foolish cry; the Almighty will pay no attention to it.

UST

¹³ It is useless for them to cry out because God, the Almighty One, does not pay any attention to what they say.

What will God certainly not hear?

He will certainly not hear a foolish cry.

Job 35:14

ULT

¹⁴ How much less will he answer you if you say that you do not see him, that your case is before him, and that you are waiting for him!

UST

¹⁴ So when you complain that you cannot see God, and you tell him that you are waiting for him to decide whether or not you have done wrong, he will not listen to you, either!

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 35:15

ULT

¹⁵ Now you say that his anger does not punish, and he does not take even a litte notice of transgression.

UST

¹⁵ Furthermore, you say that because he does not pay attention when people commit sins, he does not become angry and punish them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

lob 35:16

ULT

¹⁶ So Job opens his mouth only to speak foolishness; he piles up words without knowledge."

UST

¹⁶ My friends, you see that Job has said things that are completely useless, that he says many things without knowing what in the world he is talking about."

What does Elihu accuse Job of doing when Job opens his mouth?

He says Job opens his mouth to speak foolishness and to pile up words without knowledge.

Job 36

Job 36:1

ULT

¹ Elihu continued on and said,

UST

¹ Elihu finished speaking by saying this:

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 36:2

ULT

² "Permit me to speak a little longer, and I will show you some things because I have a little more to say in defense of God.

UST

² "Job, be patient with me a little longer because I have something else to teach you. I have something else to say in order to prove that God does no wrong.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 36:3

ULT

³ I will obtain my knowledge from far off; I will acknowledge that righteousness belongs to my Maker.

UST

³ I will tell you what I have learned from many sources, in order to show that God, my creator, is just.

To whom does Elihu acknowledge that righteousness belongs?

Elihu acknowledges that righteousness belongs to his Maker.

Job 36:4

ULT

⁴ For indeed, my words will not be false; someone who is mature in knowledge is with you.

UST

⁴ I will not say anything to you that is false; I, who am standing in front of you, am someone who understands things very well.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 36:5

ULT

⁵ See, God is mighty, and despises no one; he is mighty in strength of understanding.

UST

⁵ Really, God is very powerful, and he does not despise anyone, and he understands everything.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 36:6

ULT

⁶ He does not preserve the life of wicked people but instead does what is right for those who suffer.

UST

⁶ He does not allow wicked people to remain alive—contrary to what you have claimed, and he always acts justly toward those who are suffering.

What does God do for those who those who suffer?

He does what is right for those who suffer.

Job 36:7

ULT

⁷ He does not withdraw his eyes from righteous people but instead sets them on thrones like kings forever, and they are lifted up.

UST

⁷ He always watches over those who are righteous; he makes them prosper, as if they were kings, and he causes others to honor them forever.

What does God do for the righteous?

He sets them on thrones like kings forever, and they are lifted up.

Job 36:8

ULT

⁸ If they are bound in chains and trapped in cords of suffering,

UST

⁸ However, if people who commit crimes are caught, or if they suffer in prison for having done wrong,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 36:9

ULT

⁹ then he reveals to them what they have done, and their transgressions and their pride.

UST

⁹ then God shows them what they have done; he shows them the sins that they have committed, and he shows them that they have been arrogant.

What does God reveal to those who are bound in chains and trapped in cords of suffering? He reveals to them what they have done, their transgressions, and how they behaved arrogantly.

Job 36:10

ULT

¹⁰ He also opens their ears to his instruction, and commands them to turn back from iniquity.

UST

¹⁰ He causes them to listen to what he is warning them, and he commands them to turn away from doing what is evil.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 36:11

ULT

¹¹ If they listen to him and worship him, they will spend their days in prosperity, their years in contentment.

UST

¹¹ If they listen to him and serve him, they will prosper and be happy for all the years that they continue to live.

What will happen to listen to God and worship him?

They will spend their days in prosperity and their years in contentment.

Job 36:12

ULT

¹² However, if they do not listen, they will perish by the sword; they will die because they have no knowledge.

UST

¹² But if they do not listen to him, they will die violently because they understand nothing about God and what he wants them to do.

What will happen to the people who do not listen to God?

They will perish by the sword and die because they have no knowledge.

Job 36:13

ULT

¹³ Those who are godless in heart store up their anger; they do not cry out for help even when God ties them up.

UST

¹³ People who fail to honor God continue being angry, and they do not cry out for help even when God is punishing them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 36:14

ULT

¹⁴ They die in their youth; their lives end among the cultic prostitutes.

UST

¹⁴ They die while they are still young, disgraced because of their immoral behavior.

What does the godless person who stores up anger and does not cry out to God for help? They will die in their youth and their lives will end in disgrace.

Job 36:15

ULT

¹⁵ God rescues afflicted people by means of their afflictions; he opens their ears by means of their oppression.

UST

¹⁵ God actually rescues people by causing them to suffer; by afflicting them, he causes them to listen to what he is telling them.

How does Elihu say God uses affliction and oppression? (vv15-16)

God uses affliction to rescue the afflicted and oppression to open their ears.

Job 36:16

ULT

¹⁶ Indeed, he would like to draw you out of distress into a broad place where there is no hardship and where your table would be set with food full of fatness.

UST

¹⁶ Job, I think that God wants to bring you out of your troubles and allow you to live without distress; he wants your table to be full of very nice food.

What does Elihu say that God would like to do for Job?

God would like to draw Job out of his distress into a broad place where there is no hardship.

Job 36:17

ULT

¹⁷ But you are full of judgment on wicked people; judgment and justice have laid hold of you.

UST

¹⁷ However, now he is punishing you as he would punish the wicked; God has judged you very rightly.

What has filled lob?

He is full of the judgment on the wicked.

lob 36:18

ULT

¹⁸ Do not let your anger entice you to mockery, or the greatness of a ransom to turn you aside.

UST

¹⁸ Do not let your anger give you an excuse to mock other people, and do not let a large amount of money paid as a bribe compel you to ruin your life.

What things could lead Job to deception and turn him aside from justice?

Wealth could lead Job to deception and a bribe could turn him aside from justice.

Job 36:19

ULT

¹⁹ Can your wealth benefit you, so that you will not be in distress, or can all the force of your strength help you?

UST

¹⁹ If that happens, it certainly will not help you to cry out when you are distressed; none of your strength will help you in that case.

What things will not be able to help Job out of his distress?

Job's wealth and the force of his strength will not help him out of his distress.

Job 36:20

ULT

²⁰ Do not desire the night, to commit sin against others, when peoples are cut off in their place.

UST

²⁰ Do not wish that it would be nighttime in order that you might mistreat others without anyone knowing it; night is the time when even entire people groups are destroyed!

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 36:21

ULT

²¹ Be careful that you do not turn to sin because you are being tested by suffering so that you will stay away from sinning.

UST

²¹ Be careful not to begin doing evil deeds, because God has caused you to suffer to prevent you from doing evil.

Why does Elihu say that Job is being tested by suffering?

Job is being tested by suffering so that he will stay away from sinning.

Job 36:22

ULT

²² See, God is exalted in his power; who is a teacher like him?

UST

²² Truly, people praise God because he is so powerful; there is certainly no teacher who teaches what he teaches.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 36:23

ULT

²³ Who has ever instructed him about his way? Who can ever say to him, 'You have committed unrighteousness?'

UST

²³ No one has told him what he should do, and no one has said to him, 'You have done what is wrong!'

What can no one say about God?

No one can say that God has committed unrighteousness.

Job 36:24

ULT

²⁴ Remember to praise his deeds, of which people have sung.

UST

²⁴ People have always sung songs to praise him, so you also should never forget to praise him for what he has done.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 36:25

ULT

²⁵ All people have looked on those deeds, but they see those deeds only from far away.

UST

²⁵ All people have seen what he has done, but we understand those things only a little.

Job 36:26

ULT

²⁶ See, God is great, but we do not understand him well; the number of his years is incalculable.

UST

²⁶ How great God is! We are not able to know how great he is, and we do not understand how old he is.

What is it about God that we cannot calculate?

We cannot calculate the number of his years.

Job 36:27

ULT

²⁷ For he draws up the drops of water that he distills as rain from his vapor, ^[1]

UST

²⁷ He draws water up from the earth and puts it in clouds and causes it to become rain;

How does God cause rain to fall? (vv27-28)

He draws up the drops of water that distill as rain from his vapor, which the clouds pour down and drop in abundance on mankind.

Job 36:28

ULT

²⁸ which the clouds pour down and drop in abundance on mankind.

UST

²⁸ the rain pours down from the sky and causes abundant showers to fall on everyone.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 36:29

ULT

²⁹ Indeed, can anyone understand the extensive spread of the clouds and the thunder from his hut?

UST

²⁹ No one can understand how the clouds move across the sky or how it thunders in the sky where God lives.

Job 36:30

ULT

³⁰ See, he spreads his lightning around him and covers the roots of the sea.

UST

³⁰ He causes lightning to flash all around him, but he causes the oceans to remain dark.

Why does Elihu say that God spreads lightning and covers the sea with darkness? (vv30-31)

He spreads lightning around himself and covers the sea with darkness in order to feed people and give food in abundance.

Job 36:31

ULT

³¹ In this way he judges the peoples and gives food in abundance.

UST

³¹ By providing plenty of rain for everyone, he gives them abundant food.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 36:32

ULT

³² He fills his hands with the lightning until he commands it to strike its mark.

UST

³² It is as though he were holding the lightning in his hands, and then he commands it to strike where he wants it to.

What tells people and cattle of the coming storm? (vv32-33)

The noise of the lightning bolts hitting their targets tells people and cattle of the coming storm.

Job 36:33

ULT

 $^{\bf 33}$ Its thunder warns of the storm, the cattle can also hear it is coming. 36:27 $^{[1]}$.

UST

³³ When we hear his thunder, we know that there will be a storm, and the cattle know it, too.

Job 37

Job 37:1

ULT

¹ Indeed, my heart trembles at this; it is moved out of its place.

UST

¹ "My heart pounds when I think about that.

What makes Elihu's heart tremble? (vv1-2)

The noise of God's voice and the sound from his mouth causes Elihu's heart to tremble.

Job 37:2

ULT

² Hear, oh, hear the noise of his voice, the sound that goes out from his mouth.

UST

² Listen, all of you, to the thunder, which is like God's voice.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 37:3

ULT

³ He sends it out under the whole sky, and he sends out his lightning to the edges of the earth.

UST

³ He sends thunder all across the sky, and he sends lighting to the most distant places on the earth.

Job 37:4

ULT

⁴ A voice roars after it; he thunders with the voice of his majesty; he does not restrain the lightning bolts when his voice is heard.

UST

⁴ After the lightning flashes, we hear the thunder, which is like God's powerful voice; when he speaks, he does not keep back the lightning.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 37:5

ULT

⁵ God thunders marvelously with his voice; he does great things that we cannot comprehend.

UST

⁵ When God speaks, it causes us to fear him and admire him, as thunder does; he does amazing things that we cannot understand.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 37:6

ULT

⁶ For he says to the snow, 'Fall on the earth'; likewise to the rain shower, 'Become a great shower of rain.'

UST

⁶ He commands the snow to fall on the ground, and often he makes it rain very hard.

What does God tell the snow and the rain to do?

HE tells the snow to fall to the earth, and the rain to become a great shower of rain.

Job 37:7

ULT

⁷ He stops the hand of every man from working, so that all people whom he has made may see his deeds.

UST

⁷ When God does that, it prevents people from working, in order that all people may know that he is the one who does these things.

Why does God stop the hand of every man from working?

God stops them so that all people may see his deeds.

Job 37:8

ULT

⁸ Then the beasts go into hiding and stay in their dens.

UST

⁸ When it rains, the animals go into their hiding places, and they stay there until the rain stops.

For what reason do the beasts go into hiding and stay in their dens? (vv8-9)

They hide and stay in their dens because of the storms that come.

Job 37:9

ULT

⁹ The storm comes from its chamber in the south and the cold from the scattering winds in the north.

UST

⁹ The storms come from the place in the south where they start, and the cold winds come from the north.

Job 37:10

ULT

¹⁰ By the breath of God ice is given; the expanse of the waters is frozen like metal.

UST

¹⁰ In the winter water freezes when he commands it, and the lakes become ice.

What is given by the breath of God?

By the breath of God ice is given.

Job 37:11

ULT

¹¹ Indeed, he weighs down the thick cloud with moisture; he scatters his lightning through the clouds.

UST

¹¹ God fills the clouds with moisture, and lightning flashes everywhere from the clouds.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 37:12

ULT

¹² He swirls the clouds around by his guidance, so that they may do whatever he commands them above the surface of the whole world.

UST

¹² He guides the clouds and causes them to move back and forth in order that they may accomplish all that he commands them to do all over the world.

Job 37:13

ULT

¹³ He makes all of this happen; sometimes it happens for correction, sometimes for his land, and sometimes as acts of covenant faithfulness.

UST

¹³ Sometimes God sends rain to punish us, sometimes to water the land that he has made, and sometimes because he wants to be very kind to us.

For what reasons does God give guidance to the clouds and cause them to do whatever he commands?

He makes this happen sometimes for correction, sometimes for his land, and sometimes as acts of covenant faithfulness.

Job 37:14

ULT

¹⁴ Listen to this, Job; stop and think about God's marvelous deeds.

UST

¹⁴ Job, listen to this; stop and think about the wonderful things that God does.

About what does Elihu want Job to stop and think?

He wants Job to stop and think about God's marvelous deeds.

lob 37:15

ULT

¹⁵ Do you know how God establishes the clouds and makes the lightning bolts to flash in them?

UST

¹⁵ Do you know how God commands the lightning to flash down from his clouds?

What happens when God forces his will on the clouds?

God makes lightning bolts flash in the clouds.

Job 37:16

ULT

¹⁶ Do you understand the floating of the clouds, the marvelous deeds of God, who is perfect in knowledge?

UST

¹⁶ Do you know how God decides where to place the clouds in the sky? Can you understand all the wonderful things that God does, and how he knows everything and he knows them completely?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 37:17

ULT

¹⁷ Do you understand how your garments become hot when the land is still because the wind comes from the south?

UST

¹⁷ No, you just sweat there in your hot clothing because even the clothes you wear become very hot. Your clothing becomes hot because the heat builds up when the wind comes from the south.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

lob 37:18

ULT

¹⁸ Can you spread out the sky as he can— the sky, which is as strong as a mirror of cast metal?

UST

¹⁸ Can you stretch out the skies like God does and make them as hard as a metal mirror?

What image does Elihu use to describe the sky?

He says the sky is as strong as a mirror of cast metal.

Job 37:19

ULT

¹⁹ Teach us what we should say to him, for we cannot lay out our arguments in order because of the darkness of our minds.

UST

¹⁹ Job, you know so much! So tell us what we should say to God; we do not know anything about how we should defend ourselves.

Why does Elihu say that he and others cannot lay out their arguments before God?

They cannot lay out their arguments before God because of the darkness of their minds.

Job 37:20

ULT

²⁰ Should he be told that I wish to speak with him? Would a person wish to be swallowed up?

UST

²⁰ Should I ask someone to tell God that I want to speak to him? No, because if I did that, he might destroy me.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 37:21

ULT

²¹ Now, people cannot look at the sun when it is bright in the sky after the wind has passed through and has cleared it of its clouds.

UST

²¹ You know that people cannot look directly at the sun when it shines brightly in the sky after the wind has blown the clouds away; likewise we certainly cannot look at the brightness of God.

What is it that people cannot look at when the sky is clear?

People cannot look at the sun when it is bright in the sky.

Job 37:22

ULT

²² Out of the north comes golden splendor— over God is fearsome majesty.

UST

²² God comes out of the north with a light that shines like gold; his glory causes us to be afraid.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 37:23

ULT

²³ As for the Almighty, we cannot find him! He is great in power; he does not oppress justice and abundant righteousness.

UST

²³ Almighty God has very great power, and we do not know how to go near to him. He always acts righteously, and he will never mistreat us.

What does Elihu say that the Almighty does not do to his people?

The Almighty does not oppress people.

Job 37:24

ULT

²⁴ Therefore, people fear him. He does not pay any attention to those who are wise in their own minds."

UST

²⁴ That is the reason that we have an awesome respect for him; he does not pay attention to those who proudly, but wrongly, think that they are wise."

To whom does Elihu say that the Almighty does not pay attention?

The Almighty does not pay attention to those who are wise in their own minds.

Job 38

Job 38:1

ULT

¹ Then Yahweh called to Job out of a fierce storm and said,

UST

¹ Then Yahweh spoke to Job from inside a powerful storm. He said to him,

Out of what did Yahweh speak to Job?

Yahweh spoke to Job out of a fierce storm.

Job 38:2

ULT

² "Who is this who brings darkness to plans by means of words without knowledge?

UST

² "Who are you to bring confusion to what I plan to do? You are speaking ignorantly!

By what means did someone bring darkness to Yahweh's plans?

Job brought darkness to Yahweh's plans by means of words without knowledge.

Job 38:3

ULT

³ Now gird up your loins like a man for I will ask you questions, and you must answer me.

UST

³ I want to ask you some questions, so act like a man and get ready to answer my questions.

What does Yahweh tell Job he must do when Yahweh questions him?

Job must gird up his loins like a man and answer Yahweh's questions.

Job 38:4

ULT

⁴ Where were you when I laid the earth's foundations? Tell me, if you have so much understanding.

UST

⁴ Where were you when I started to create the earth? Since you know so much, tell me where you were at that time.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 38:5

ULT

⁵ Who determined its dimensions? Tell me, if you know. Who stretched the measuring line over it?

UST

⁵ If it was not I who decided how large the earth would be, then who decided? Do you know who stretched a line around the earth to measure it? Since you think that you know so much, you should surely know that!

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 38:6

ULT

⁶ On what were its foundations laid? Who laid its cornerstone

UST

⁶⁻⁷ What supports the pillars on which the earth rests? When the stars that shine early in the morning sang together, and someone put in place the stone that causes the earth to stay in its place, and all the angels shouted joyfully when they saw that happen, who laid that cornerstone?

What sang together and who shouted for joy when Yahweh laid the cornerstone of the earth? (vv6-7)

The morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy when the cornerstone was laid.

Job 38:7



⁷ when the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy?

UST

7

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 38:8

ULT

⁸ Who shut up the sea with doors when it burst out, as if it had come out of the womb—

UST

⁸ When the seas poured out from under the earth, who prevented the water from flooding over the land?

To what does Yahweh compare the sea bursting out after it was shut up with doors? God compares the sea bursting out of doors to coming out of the womb.

Job 38:9

ULT

⁹ when I made clouds its clothing, and thick darkness its swaddling bands?

UST

⁹ It was I, not you, who caused clouds to come over the seas and caused it to become very dark under those clouds.

Job 38:10

ULT

¹⁰ That was when I marked out for the sea my boundary, and when I placed its bars and doors,

UST

¹⁰ I set limits for the seas, and I put barriers so that the water would not come over the land.

What did Yahweh put in place to mark out the boundary of the sea so that it could come only so far and no farther? (vv10-11)

Yahweh put in place bars and doors to mark a boundary for the sea.

Job 38:11

ULT

¹¹ and when I said to it, 'You may come this far, but no farther; here is where I will put a boundary to the pride of your waves.'

UST

¹¹ I pointed to the shore and said to the water, 'I permit you to come up to here, but I do not permit you to come any farther. Your powerful waves must stop here!'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 38:12

ULT

¹² Have you given orders to the morning, or caused the dawn to know its place,

UST

¹² Job, have you ever commanded the morning to begin? Have you ever told the sun to start rising and begin a new day?

Job 38:13

ULT

¹³ so that it might take hold of the edges of the earth and shake the wicked out of it?

UST

¹³ Have you ever told the dawn to spread out over the whole earth with the result that wicked people run away from the light?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 38:14

ULT

¹⁴ The earth is changed in appearance like clay changes under a seal; all things on it stand out clearly like the folds of a piece of clothing.

UST

¹⁴ When it becomes light after the dawn, the hills and the valleys become clear like a seal gives an image to the clay under it, or like the folds in a cloth.

How is the earth is changed in appearance like clay changes under a seal?

The light of dawn changes the earth so that all things on it stand out clearly like the folds of a piece of clothing.

Job 38:15

ULT

¹⁵ From wicked people their 'light' is taken away; their uplifted arm is broken.

UST

¹⁵ When it becomes daylight, the wicked do not have the darkness that they like; in the daylight they no longer are able to hurt anyone.

Job 38:16

ULT

¹⁶ Have you gone to the sources of the waters of the sea? Have you walked in the lowest parts of the deep?

UST

¹⁶ Job, have you traveled to the springs in the bottom of the ocean from which the water in the seas comes? Have you investigated the very bottom of the oceans?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 38:17

ULT

¹⁷ Have the gates of death been revealed to you? Have you seen the gates of the shadow of death?

UST

¹⁷ Has someone shown you the gates to the place where dead people are, the gates to the place where it is very dark among those who are dead?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 38:18

ULT

¹⁸ Have you understood the earth in its expanse? Tell me, if you know it all.

UST

¹⁸ Do you know how big the earth is? Tell me, if you know all these things!

Job 38:19

ULT

¹⁹ Where is the way to the resting place of light— as for darkness, where is its place?

UST

¹⁹ Where is the road to the place where light comes from? Can you tell me where darkness lives?

What does Yahweh say to mock Job about his lack of knowledge about the way to the resting place of light and darkness? (vv19-21)

Yahweh mocks Job by saying that undoubtedly Job should know about this because the number of Job's days is so large.

Job 38:20

ULT

²⁰ Can you lead light and darkness to their places of work? Can you find the way back to their houses for them?

UST

²⁰ Can you take the light and the darkness to the places where they must do their work every day? Do you know where the road is that goes back to their homes?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 38:21

ULT

²¹ Undoubtedly you know, for you were born then; the number of your days is so large!

UST

²¹ I am sure that you know these things because you were born before the time when all things were created; you must be very old!

Job 38:22

ULT

²² Have you entered the storehouses for the snow, or have you seen the storehouses for the hail,

UST

²² Have you entered the place where I store the snow and the place where I keep the hail?

For what reason does Yahweh say he has kept storehouses for the snow and the hail? (vv22-23)

Yahweh has kept these storehouses for times of trouble and for days of battle and war.

Job 38:23

ULT

²³ these things that I have kept for times of trouble, for days of battle and war?

UST

²³ I store the snow and the hail in order that I can use them when people are fighting on earth, in times when they are fighting wars.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 38:24

ULT

²⁴ What is the path to where the lightning bolts are distributed or to where the winds are scattered from the east over the earth?

UST

²⁴ Where is the road to the place from which I cause the lightning to flash? Where is the place from where the east wind begins to blow over all the earth?

Job 38:25

ULT

²⁵ Who has created the channels for the floods of rain, or who has made a path for the thunder,

UST

²⁵ Who created the channels in which the rain comes down from the sky? Who makes the roads for the thunder in the air?

Why does Yahweh cause it to rain on the wilderness in which there is no person? (vv25-27) He causes it to rain in order to meet the needs of the barren and lonely regions and to make the tender grass

sprout up.

Job 38:26

ULT

²⁶ to cause it to rain on lands where no person exists, and on the wilderness, in which there is no one,

UST

²⁶ Who causes rain to fall in the desert, in places where no one lives?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 38:27

ULT

²⁷ to satisfy the devastated and desolate places, and to make the ground sprout with grass?

UST

²⁷ Who sends the rain that gives moisture to barren areas, areas where nothing has grown, so that grass begins to grow again?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 38:28

ULT

²⁸ Does the rain have a father, or, who fathers the drops of dew?

UST

²⁸ Does the rain have a father? Does the dew also have a father?

Job 38:29

ULT

²⁹ Out of whose womb did the ice come? Who bore the white frost out of the sky?

UST

²⁹ From whose womb does ice come in the winter? Who gives birth to the frost that comes down from the sky?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 38:30

ULT

³⁰ The waters hide themselves and become like stone; the surface of the deep becomes frozen.

UST

³⁰ In the winter, the water freezes and becomes as hard as a rock, and the surface of lakes becomes frozen.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 38:31

ULT

³¹ Can you fasten chains on the Pleiades, or undo the cords of Orion?

UST

³¹ Job, can you fasten the chains that hold the stars together in the cluster of the Pleiades stars? Can you unfasten the cords of the stars in Orion?

What does Yahweh asks Job if he can do to Pleiades and Orion?

He asks Job if he can fasten chains on Pleiades or undo the cords of Orion.

Job 38:32

ULT

³² Can you lead the constellations to appear at their proper times? Can you guide the Bear with its children?

UST

³² Can you tell the stars and planets when they should shine? Can you guide the stars in the groups of the Big Bear and the Little Bear?

Job 38:33

ULT

³³ Do you know the regulations of the sky? Could you set in place the sky's rule over the earth?

UST

³³ Do you know the laws that the stars must obey? Can you cause those same laws to rule everything here on the earth?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 38:34

ULT

³⁴ Can you raise your voice up to the clouds, so that an abundance of rainwater may cover you?

UST

³⁴ Can you shout commands up to the clouds and make rain pour down on you?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 38:35

ULT

³⁵ Can you send out bolts of lightning that they may go out, that they say to you, 'Here we are'?

UST

³⁵ Can you cause flashes of lightning to come down and strike where you want them to strike? Do those flashes say to you, 'Where do you want us to strike?'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 38:36

ULT

³⁶ Who has put wisdom in the clouds or has given understanding to the mists?

UST

³⁶ Who enables the clouds to know when they should cause rain to fall?

Job 38:37

ULT

³⁷ Who can number the clouds by his skill? Who can pour out the water skins of the sky

UST

³⁷ Who is skilled enough to be able to count the clouds? Who can tilt the containers of water in the sky to cause the rain to fall

What happens to the dust and clods of earth when Yahweh pours out water on them? (vv37-38)

The dust runs into a hard mass and the clods of earth clump tightly together.

Job 38:38

ULT

³⁸ when the dust runs into a hard mass and the clods of earth clump tightly together?

UST

³⁸ so that the dry ground becomes hard as the dry clods become wet and stick together?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 38:39

ULT

³⁹ Can you hunt down a victim for a lioness or satisfy the appetite of her young lion cubs

UST

³⁹⁻⁴⁰ When a lioness and her cubs crouch in their dens or hide in a thicket, waiting for some animal to pass by that they can kill, can you find animals for the lioness to kill so that she and her cubs can eat the meat and not be hungry anymore?

Job 38:40

ULT

⁴⁰ when they are crouching in their dens and sheltering in hiding to lie in wait?

UST

40

Where do the young lion cubs wait for their food?

They are crouch in their dens and shelter in hiding to lie in wait.

Job 38:41

ULT

⁴¹ Who provides victims for the ravens when their young ones cry out to God and stagger about for lack of food?

UST

⁴¹ Who provides dead animals for the raven, when its young are calling out to me for food, when they are so weak because of their lack of food that they stagger around in their nests?

Why do the young ones of the ravens stagger about?

They stagger about for lack of food.

Job 39

Job 39:1

ULT

¹ Do you know at what time the wild goats in the rocks bear their young? Can you watch when the deer are having their fawns?

UST

¹ "Job, do you know at what time of the year the female mountain goats give birth? Have you watched the wild deer while their calves were being born?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 39:2

ULT

² Can you count the months that they gestate? Do you know the time when they bear their young?

UST

² Do you know how many months pass from the time they become pregnant until their calves are born?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 39:3

ULT

³ They crouch down and birth their young, and then they finish their labor pains.

UST

³ When they give birth, they crouch down, and then their labor pangs are done.

Job 39:4

ULT

⁴ Their young ones become strong and grow up in the open fields; they go out and do not come back again.

UST

⁴ The young calves grow up in the open fields, and then they leave their mothers and do not return to them again.

What happens to the young deer after they grow up in the open fields?

They go out and do not come back again.

Job 39:5

ULT

⁵ Who let the wild donkey go free? Who has untied the bonds of the swift donkey,

UST

⁵ Who allows the wild donkeys to go wherever they want away from the cities?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 39:6

ULT

⁶ whose home I have made in the Arabah, his house in the salt land?

UST

⁶ I am the one who has freed them and put them in the desert plain, in places where grass does not grow.

Where has Yahweh made the home of the donkey?

He has made his home in the Arabah, and his house in the salt land.

Job 39:7

ULT

⁷ He laughs in scorn at the noises in the city; he does not hear the driver's shouts.

UST

⁷ They do not like the noise in the cities; in the desert they do not have to listen to the shouts of those who forced them to work.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 39:8

ULT

⁸ He roams over the mountains as his pastures; there he looks for every green plant to eat.

UST

⁸ They go over the hills to find food; there they search for grass to eat.

Where does the wild donkey find food?

He roams over the mountains where he looks for every green plant to eat.

Job 39:9

ULT

⁹ Will the wild ox be happy to serve you? Will he consent to stay by your manger?

UST

⁹ Will a wild ox agree to work for you? Will it allow you to keep it penned up at night in the place where you put feed for your animals?

Job 39:10

ULT

¹⁰ Can you use ropes to hold the wild ox in the furrows? Will he harrow the valleys as he follows after you?

UST

¹⁰ Can you fasten a rope on it so that it will plow furrows in your fields, your fields in the valley?

What does Yahweh ask Job to make the wild ox do with a rope?

He asks Job if with a rope, he can make the wild ox to plow the furrows or harrow the valleys for him.

Job 39:11

ULT

¹¹ Will you trust him because his strength is great? Will you leave your work to him to do?

UST

¹¹ Since it is very strong, can you for that reason trust it to work for you? Can you go away after you tell it what work it should do and assume that it will do that work?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 39:12

ULT

¹² Will you depend on him to bring your grain home, to gather the grain for your threshing floor?

UST

¹² Can you rely on it to come back from the field bringing your grain to the place where you thresh it?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 39:13

ULT

¹³ The wings of the ostrich wave proudly, but are they the pinions and plumage of love?

UST

¹³ Think also about the ostriches. They joyfully flap their wings, but they have no love for their own young.

What does the ostrich wave proudly?

The wings of the ostrich wave proudly.

Job 39:14

ULT

¹⁴ For she leaves her eggs on the earth, and she lets them keep warm in the dust;

UST

¹⁴ Ostriches lay their eggs on top of the ground and then walk away, leaving the eggs to be warmed in the sand.

What does the ostrich do with her eggs?

She leaves her eggs on the earth, and lets them keep warm in the dust.

Job 39:15

ULT

¹⁵ she forgets that a foot might crush them or that a wild beast might trample them.

UST

¹⁵ Ostriches never think about the possibility that some wild animal may step on the eggs and crush them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 39:16

ULT

¹⁶ She deals roughly with her young ones as if they were not hers; she does not fear that her labor might have been in vain,

UST

¹⁶ Ostriches act cruelly toward their chicks; they act as though the chicks belonged to some other ostrich. They are not concerned if their chicks die, that they may have laid their eggs for nothing.

Why does the ostrich not fear that her labor might have been in vain?

Yahweh has deprived her of wisdom and not given her any understanding.

Job 39:17

ULT

¹⁷ because God has deprived her of wisdom and has not given her any understanding.

UST

¹⁷ That is because I did not allow ostriches to be wise. I did not enable them to be intelligent.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 39:18

ULT

¹⁸ When she runs swiftly, she laughs in scorn at the horse and its rider.

UST

¹⁸ However, when they get up and begin to run, they scornfully laugh at horses with their riders because the horses cannot run as fast as the ostriches!

What does Yahweh say the ostrich does when she runs?

She laughs in scorn at the horse and its rider.

Job 39:19

ULT

¹⁹ Have you given the horse his strength? Did you clothe his neck with his flowing mane?

UST

¹⁹ Also, think about horses. Job, are you the one who made the horses to be strong? Are you the one who put flowing manes on their necks?

What clothes the neck of the horse?

A flowing mane clothes his neck.

Job 39:20

ULT

²⁰ Have you ever made him jump like a locust? The majesty of his snorting is fearsome.

UST

²⁰ Are you the one who enabled them to leap forward like locusts? When they snort, they cause people to be afraid.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 39:21

ULT

²¹ He paws in might and rejoices in his strength; he rushes out to meet the weapons.

UST

²¹ They paw the ground, rejoicing because they are very strong, as they prepare to rush into battle.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 39:22

ULT

²² He mocks fear and is not dismayed; he does not turn back from the sword.

UST

²² It is as if they were laughing at the thought of being afraid. They are not afraid of anything! They do not run away when the soldiers in the battle are fighting each other with swords.

How does the horse react to the sword?

He does not turn back from the sword.

Job 39:23

ULT

²³ The guiver rattles against his flank, along with the flashing spear and the javelin.

UST

²³ The quivers containing the riders' arrows rattle against the horses' sides, and the spears and javelins flash in the light of the sun.

Job 39:24

ULT

²⁴ He swallows up ground with fierceness and rage; at the trumpet's sound, he cannot stand in one place.

UST

²⁴ The horses run very quickly, and they speedily cover the ground; they rush into battle as soon as the trumpet is blown.

What can the horse not do at the sound of the trumpet?

He cannot stand in one place.

Job 39:25

ULT

²⁵ Whenever the trumpet sounds, he says, 'Aha!' He smells the battle from far away— the thunderous shouts of the commanders and the outcries.

UST

²⁵ They neigh joyfully when they hear someone blowing the trumpet. They can smell a battle even when they are far away, and they understand what it means when the commanders shout their commands to their soldiers.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 39:26

ULT

²⁶ Is it by your wisdom that the hawk soars, that he stretches out his wings for the south?

UST

²⁶ Think about big birds. Are you the one who enabled hawks to spread their wings and fly to the south for the winter?

Job 39:27

ULT

²⁷ Is it at your orders that the eagle mounts up and makes his nest in high places?

UST

²⁷ Do eagles fly high up into the cliffs to make their nests because you commanded them to do that?

Where does the eagle make his nest and his home? (vv27-28)

He makes his nest in high places, and his home on the peaks of the cliffs.

Job 39:28

ULT

²⁸ He lives on cliffs and makes his home on the peaks of cliffs, a stronghold.

UST

²⁸ They live in holes in those cliffs. They are safe in those high pointed rocks because no animals can reach them there.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 39:29

ULT

²⁹ From there he searches for victims; his eyes see them from very far away.

UST

²⁹ As they watch carefully from there, they see animals far away that they can kill.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 39:30

ULT

³⁰ His young also drink up blood; where killed people are, there he is."

UST

³⁰ After an eagle kills an animal, the baby eagles drink the blood of that animal; they gather wherever there are dead people lying on the ground."

Job 40

Job 40:1

ULT

¹ Yahweh continued to speak to Job; he said,

UST

¹ Then Yahweh said to Job,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 40:2

ULT

² "Should anyone who wishes to criticize try to correct the Almighty? He who argues with God, let him answer."

UST

² "Do you still want to argue with me, the Almighty One? Since you criticize me, you should be able to answer my questions!"

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 40:3

ULT

³ Then Job answered Yahweh and said,

UST

³ Then Job replied to Yahweh,

Job 40:4

ULT

⁴ "See, I am insignificant; how can I answer you? I put my hand over my mouth.

UST

⁴ "Now I realize that I am completely worthless. So how could I answer those questions? I will put my hand over my mouth and not say anything.

How did Job do to show that he was too insignificant to answer Yahweh?

Job put his hand over his mouth.

Job 40:5

ULT

⁵ I spoke once, and I will not answer; indeed, twice, but I will proceed no further."

UST

⁵ I have already said more than I should have said, so now I will say nothing more."

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 40:6

ULT

⁶ Then Yahweh answered Job out of a fierce storm and said,

UST

⁶ Then Yahweh again spoke to Job from inside a powerful storm. He said,

From what did Yahweh answer Job?

Yahweh answered Job from out of a fierce storm.

Job 40:7

ULT

⁷ "Now gird up your loins like a man, for I will ask you questions, and you must answer me.

UST

⁷ "I want to ask you some questions, so act like a man and get ready to answer my questions.

What did Yahweh tell Job to do to prepare to answer Yahweh?

He told Job to gird up his loins like a man.

Job 40:8

ULT

⁸ Will you actually say that I am unjust? Will you condemn me so you may claim you are right?

UST

⁸ Are you going to accuse me and say that I am unjust? Are you going to say that what I have done is wrong, in order that you can say that what you have done is right?

Why did Yahweh say that Job was condemning Yahweh?

He said Job condemned Yahweh so that Job could claim he was right.

Job 40:9

ULT

⁹ Do you have an arm like God's? Can you thunder with a voice like him?

UST

⁹ Do you have the same amount of power as I do? Can your voice sound as loud as thunder, as mine can?

Job 40:10

ULT

¹⁰ Now clothe yourself in glory and dignity; array yourself in honor and majesty.

UST

¹⁰ If you can do that, then put on the robes that show that you are glorious and are greatly honored!

With what does Yahweh challenge Job to clothe himself?

He challenges Job to cloth himself with glory, dignity, honor and majesty.

Job 40:11

ULT

¹¹ Scatter around the excess of your anger; look at everyone who is proud and bring him down.

UST

¹¹ Show that you are very angry; show that you have the right to humble people who are very proud!

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 40:12

ULT

¹² Look at everyone who is proud and bring him low; trample down wicked people where they stand.

UST

¹² Humble those proud people just by looking at them angrily! Crush wicked people quickly!

What does Yahweh tell Job to do to the wicked people?

Yahweh tells Job to trample them down where they stand.

Job 40:13

ULT

¹³ Bury them in the earth together; imprison their faces in the hidden place.

UST

¹³ Bury them in the ground! Send them to the place where dead people are, where they will not be able to get out!

Job 40:14

ULT

¹⁴ Then will I also acknowledge about you that your own right hand can save you.

UST

¹⁴ If you do that, I will congratulate you and say that truly you can save yourself by your own ability.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 40:15

ULT

¹⁵ Look now at the behemoth, which I made when I made you; he eats grass like an ox.

UST

¹⁵ Think also about hippopotamuses. I made you, and I made them also. They eat grass, like oxen do.

What does the behemoth eat?

He eats grass like an ox.

Job 40:16

ULT

¹⁶ See now, his strength is in his loins; his power is in his belly's muscles.

UST

¹⁶ Their legs are very strong, and the muscles of their bellies are very powerful.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 40:17

ULT

¹⁷ He makes his tail like a cedar; the sinews of his thighs are joined together.

UST

¹⁷ Their tails are stiff like the branches of a cedar tree. The muscles of their thighs are close together.

What is the tail of the behemoth like?

His tail is like a cedar.

Job 40:18

ULT

¹⁸ His bones are like tubes of bronze; his legs are like bars of iron.

UST

¹⁸ Their thigh bones are like tubes made of bronze, and the bones of their legs are like bars made of iron.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 40:19

ULT

¹⁹ He is the chief of the creatures of God. Only God, who made him, can defeat him.

UST

¹⁹ Hippopotamuses are among the strongest of the animals that I made, and I, who created them, am the only one who can kill them.

Who can defeat the behemoth?

Only God can defeat the behemoth.

Job 40:20

ULT

²⁰ For the hills provide him with food; the beasts of the field play nearby.

UST

²⁰ On the hills grows food for them to eat while many other wild animals play nearby.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 40:21

ULT

²¹ He lies under the lotus plants in the shelter of the reeds, in the marshes.

UST

²¹ They lie down in the water under the lotus plants; they hide in tall reeds in the swamps.

Where does the behemoth lie?

He lies under the lotus plants in the shelter of the reeds.

Job 40:22

ULT

²² The lotus plants cover him with their shade; the willows of the brook are all around him.

UST

²² The hippopotamuses find shade under the lotus plants, and they are surrounded by willow trees growing in the streams.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 40:23

ULT

²³ See, if a river floods its banks, he does not tremble; he is confident, though the Jordan should surge up to his mouth.

UST

²³ They are not disturbed by raging, flooding rivers; they are not even disturbed when rivers like the Jordan River rush over them.

What does the behemoth think when the river floods and the Jordan surges?

He does not tremble and he is confident.

Job 40:24

ULT

²⁴ Can anyone capture him with a hook, or pierce his nose through with a snare?

UST

²⁴ No one can catch them with hooks or by piercing their noses with the teeth of a trap!

Job 41

Job 41:1

ULT

¹ Can you draw out Leviathan with a fishhook? Or tie up his jaws with a cord?

UST

¹ "Think also about crocodiles. Can you catch them with a fishhook or fasten their jaws with a rope?

With what does Yahweh ask Job if he can draw out leviathan?

Yahweh asks Job if he can draw out the leviathan with a fishhook.

Job 41:2

ULT

² Can you put a rope into his nose, or pierce his jaw through with a hook?

UST

² Can you put ropes through their noses to control them or thrust hooks through their jaws?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 41:3

ULT

³ Will he make many pleas to you? Will he speak soft words to you?

UST

³ Will they plead with you to act mercifully toward them or use sweet talk in order that you will not harm them?

Job 41:4

ULT

⁴ Will he make a covenant with you, that you should take him for a servant forever?

UST

⁴ Will they make an agreement with you to work for you, to be your slaves as long as they live?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 41:5

ULT

⁵ Will you play with him as you would with a bird? Will you tie him up for your servant girls?

UST

⁵ Can you make them into pets like you do birds? Can you put a leash around their necks so that your servant girls can play with them?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 41:6

ULT

⁶ Will the groups of fishermen bargain for him? Will they divide him up to trade among the merchants?

UST

⁶ Will men who partner in selling fish try to sell them in the market? Will they cut a crocodile up into pieces and sell the meat?

What does Yahweh ask Job if the fishermen would do with leviathan?

He asks Job if the fishermen would bargain for leviathan or divide him up to trade among the merchants.

Job 41:7

ULT

⁷ Can you fill his hide with harpoons or his head with fishing spears?

UST

⁷ Can you pierce crocodiles through their hides by throwing fishing spears at them? Can you pierce their heads with a harpoon?

Job 41:8

ULT

⁸ Put your hand on him just once, and you will remember the battle and do it no more.

UST

⁸ If you grab one of them with your hands, it will give you a battle that you will never forget, and you will never try to do it again!

What will happens if a person puts his hand on leviathan?

It someone puts his hand on the leviathan just once, he will remember the battle and do it no more.

Job 41:9

ULT

⁹ See, the hope of anyone who does that is a lie; will not anyone be thrown down to the ground just by the sight of him?

UST

⁹ It is useless to even hope to subdue them. Anyone who tries to subdue one of them will fall to the ground out of fear.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 41:10

ULT

¹⁰ None is so fierce that he dare stir Leviathan up; who, then, is he who can stand before me?

UST

¹⁰ No one dares to make a crocodile angry. So, since I am much more powerful than they are, who would dare to cause me to be angry?

Since no one is fierce enough to dare stir leviathan up, can anyone stand before Yahweh? No one dares to stir leviathan up, so there is no one who can stand before Yahweh.

Job 41:11

ULT

¹¹ Who has first given anything to me in order that I should repay him? Whatever is under the whole sky is mine.

UST

¹¹ Also, everything on the earth is mine. Therefore, no one is able to give anything to me and require me to pay money for it!

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 41:12

ULT

¹² I will not keep silent concerning Leviathan's legs, nor about the matter of his strength, nor about his graceful form.

UST

¹² I will tell you about how strong crocodiles' legs are and how strong their well formed bodies are.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

lob 41:13

ULT

¹³ Who can strip off his outer covering? Who can penetrate his double armor?

UST

¹³ Can anyone strip off their hides? Can anyone pierce through their double layer of armor?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

lob 41:14

ULT

¹⁴ Who can open the doors of his face— ringed with his teeth, which are a terror?

UST

¹⁴ Can anyone pry open their jaws, which have terrible teeth in them?

How more does Yahweh describe leviathan's mouth?

He says it is the doors of his face that are ringed with his teeth, which are a terror.

Job 41:15

ULT

¹⁵ his back is made up of rows of shields, tight together as with a close seal.

UST

¹⁵ They have rows of scales on their back which are as hard as rock.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 41:16

ULT

¹⁶ One is so near to another that no air can come between them.

UST

¹⁶ The scales are very close together; not even air can get between them.

How close are the scales on the back of leviathan?

One is so near to another that no air can come between them.

Job 41:17

ULT

¹⁷ They are joined to each other; they stick together, so that they cannot be pulled apart.

UST

¹⁷ The scales are joined very closely to each other, and they cannot be separated.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 41:18

ULT

¹⁸ Light flashes out from his snorting; his eyes are like the eyelids of the morning dawn.

UST

¹⁸ When crocodiles sneeze, the tiny drops of water that come out of their noses sparkle in the sunlight. Their eyes are red like the rising sun.

How does Yahweh say leviathan's eyes are like?

His eyes are like eyelids of the morning.

Job 41:19

ULT

¹⁹ Out of his mouth go burning torches, sparks of fire leap out.

UST

¹⁹ It is as though sparks of fire poured out of their mouths.

What comes out of leviathan's mouth?

Out of leviathan's mouth go burning torches, and sparks of fire leap out.

Job 41:20

ULT

²⁰ Out of his nostrils goes smoke like a boiling pot on a fire that has been fanned to be very hot.

UST

²⁰ Smoke pours out of their nostrils as steam comes out of a pot that is put over a very, very hot fire.

How is the smoke from leviathan's nostrils like?

It is like a boiling pot on a fire that has been fanned to be very hot.

Job 41:21

ULT

²¹ His breath kindles coals into flame; fires go out from his mouth.

UST

²¹ Their breath can cause coals to blaze and flames to shoot out from their mouths.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 41:22

ULT

²² In his neck is strength, and terror dances in front of him.

UST

²² Their necks are very strong; wherever they go, they make people very afraid.

Job 41:23

ULT

²³ The folds of his flesh are joined together; they are firm on him; they cannot be moved.

UST

²³ The folds in their flesh are very close together and are very hard.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 41:24

ULT

²⁴ His heart is as hard as a stone— indeed, as hard as a lower millstone.

UST

²⁴ They are fearless because the inner parts of their bodies are as hard as a rock, as hard as the lower millstone on which people grind grain.

What is leviathan's heart like?

His heart is as hard as a lower millstone.

Job 41:25

ULT

²⁵ When he raises himself up, even the gods become afraid; because of fear, they draw back.

UST

²⁵ When they rise up, they cause even very strong people to be terrified. As a result, people fall back.

What do the gods do when leviathan raises himself up?

They become afraid and draw back.

Job 41:26

ULT

²⁶ If a sword strikes him, it does nothing— and neither does a spear, an arrow, or any other pointed weapon.

UST

²⁶ People cannot injure them with swords; spears, arrows, or other weapons with sharp points cannot injure them, either.

What happens when a sword, spear, arrow or any pointed weapon strikes leviathan? They do nothing to him.

Job 41:27

ULT

²⁷ He thinks of iron as if it were straw, and of bronze as if it were rotten wood.

UST

²⁷ They certainly are not afraid of weapons made of straw or rotten wood, but they are not even afraid of weapons made of iron or bronze!

What does leviathan think of iron and bronze?

He thinks of iron as if it were straw and bronze as if it were rotten.

lob 41:28

ULT

²⁸ An arrow cannot make him flee; to him sling stones become chaff.

UST

²⁸ Shooting arrows at them does not cause them to run away. Hurling stones at them from a sling is like hurling bits of chaff at them.

Job 41:29

ULT

²⁹ Clubs are regarded as straw; he laughs at the whirring flight of a spear.

UST

²⁹ They are not afraid of clubs anymore than they would be afraid of men throwing bits of straw at them, and they laugh when they hear a spear coming at them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 41:30

ULT

³⁰ His lower parts are like sharp pieces of broken pottery; he leaves a spreading trail in the mud as if he were a threshing sledge.

UST

³⁰ Their bellies are covered with scales that are as sharp as broken pieces of pottery. When they drag themselves through the mud, their bellies tear up the ground like a plow.

What kind of trail does leviathan leave?

He leaves a spreading trail in the mud as if he were a threshing sledge.

Job 41:31

ULT

³¹ He makes the deep to foam up like a pot of boiling water; he makes the sea like a pot of ointment.

UST

³¹ They stir up the water and cause it to foam as they churn through it.

What does he make the deep to do?

He makes the deep to foam up like a boiling pot of water.

Job 41:32

ULT

³² He makes a shining wake behind him; one would think the deep had gray hair.

UST

³² As they go through the water, their wakes glisten. People who see it would think that the foam had become white hair.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 41:33

ULT

³³ On earth there is no equal to him, who has been made to live without fear.

UST

³³ There are no creatures on earth that I have created as fearless as crocodiles.

Why does leviathan have no equal on earth?

He s has been made to live without fear.

Job 41:34

ULT

³⁴ He sees everything that is proud; he is king over all the sons of pride."

UST

³⁴ They are the proudest of all the creatures; they are like kings over all the other wild animals."

Job 42

Job 42:1

ULT

¹ Then Job answered Yahweh and said,

UST

¹ Then Job replied to Yahweh. He said,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 42:2

ULT

² "I know that you can do all things, that no purpose of yours can be stopped.

UST

² "I know that you can do everything and that no one can stop you from doing what you want to do.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 42:3

ULT

³ 'Who is this who without knowledge conceals plans?' Indeed, I have spoken things that I did not understand, things too difficult for me to understand, which I did not know about.

UST

³ You asked me, 'Who are you to bring confusion to what I plan to do? You are speaking ignorantly!' It is true that I spoke about things that I did not understand, things that are very amazing, things about which I know nothing.

What did Job acknowledge that he had spoken?

He had spoken things that he did not understand, things too difficult for him to understand, which he did not know about.

Job 42:4

ULT

⁴ You said to me, 'Listen, now, and I will speak; I will ask you things, and you will tell me.'

UST

⁴ You said to me, 'Listen while I talk to you. I want to ask you some questions, so prepare yourself to answer them.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 42:5

ULT

⁵ I had heard about you by my ear's hearing, but now my eye sees you.

UST

⁵ I had heard about you previously by rumor, but now it is as though I have seen you with my own eyes.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 42:6

ULT

⁶ So I despise myself; I repent in dust and ashes."

UST

⁶ Therefore I am ashamed of what I said, and I sit in dust and ashes to show that I am sorry for what I said."

How did Job respond to Yahweh after seeing him with his eye?

Job despised himself and repented in dust and ashes.

Job 42:7

ULT

⁷ It came about that after he had said these words to Job, Yahweh said to Eliphaz the Temanite, "My wrath is kindled against you and against your two friends, for you have not spoken of me what is right, as my servant Job has done.

UST

⁷ After Yahweh said these things to Job, he said to Eliphaz, "I am angry with you and your two friends, Bildad and Zophar, because you did not say true things about me, as my servant Job did.

What did Yahweh say that Eliphaz and his two friends had done wrong?

They had not said right things about Yahweh, as Job had done.

Job 42:8

ULT

⁸ Now therefore, take for yourselves seven bulls and seven rams, go to my servant Job, and offer up for yourselves a burnt offering. My servant Job will pray for you, and I will accept his prayer, so that I may not deal with you after your folly. You have not said what is right about me, as my servant Job has done."

UST

⁸ So now you must take to Job seven young bulls and seven rams and kill them and burn them on the altar as a sacrifice for yourselves. Then Job will pray for you, and I will do what he requests me to do. I will forgive you for speaking wrongly about me. I will not punish you, even though you deserve to be punished, because what you said about me was not right."

What did Yahweh tell Eliphaz to give as an offering?

He told Eliphaz to take seven bulls and seven rams to offer for themselves as a burnt offering.

Whose prayer did Yahweh say he would accept?

Yahweh said he would accept Job's prayer.

Job 42:9

ULT

⁹ So Eliphaz the Temanite, Bildad the Shuhite, and Zophar the Naamathite went and did as Yahweh had commanded them, and Yahweh accepted Job.

UST

⁹ So Eliphaz, Bildad, and Zophar did what Yahweh commanded them to do, and Yahweh did what Job requested him to do for the three of them.

Job 42:10

ULT

¹⁰ When Job prayed for his friends, Yahweh restored his fortunes. Yahweh gave him twice as much as he had possessed before.

UST

¹⁰ After Job prayed for his three friends, Yahweh healed him and caused him to become rich again. Yahweh gave him twice as many things as he had before.

What happened after Job prayed for his friends?

Yahweh restored his fortunes, and gave him twice of what he had possessed before.

Job 42:11

ULT

¹¹ Then all Job's brothers, and all his sisters, and all who knew him before, came to him and ate food with him in his house. They showed him sympathy and comforted him for all the disasters that Yahweh had brought upon him, and each of them gave Job a piece of silver and a ring of gold.

UST

¹¹ Then all his brothers and sisters, and all the people who had known him before, came to his house, and they had a feast together. They consoled him because of all the troubles that Yahweh had allowed to happen to him. Each of them gave Job a piece of silver and a gold ring.

What did every person give to Job when they came to comfort him?

They each gave him a piece of silver and a ring of gold.

Job 42:12

ULT

¹² Yahweh blessed the final end of Job's life more than the first; he had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, one thousand yoke of oxen, and one thousand female donkeys.

UST

¹² Then Yahweh blessed Job in the second half of his life more than he had blessed him in the first half of his life. He now acquired fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, one thousand oxen, and one thousand female donkeys.

How did Yahweh bless Job at the end of his life?

Yahweh blessed Job more than the first part of Job's life.

Job 42:13

ULT

¹³ He also had seven sons and three daughters.

UST

¹³ And he also had seven more sons and three more daughters.

How many more sons and daughters did Yahweh give to Job?

He had seven sons and three daughters.

Job 42:14

ULT

¹⁴ He named the first daughter Jemimah, the second Keziah, and the third Keren-Happuch.

UST

¹⁴ He named the first daughter Jemimah, he named the second daughter Keziah, and he named the third daughter Keren Happuch.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 42:15

ULT

¹⁵ In all the land no women were found as beautiful as Job's daughters. Their father gave them an inheritance along with their brothers.

UST

¹⁵ In all of the land of Uz, there were no young women who were as beautiful as the daughters of Job, and Job declared that they would inherit some of his possessions, just as their brothers would inherit some.

What was unique about Job's daughters?

There were no woman in the land as beautiful as Job's daughters, and he gave them an inheritance with their brothers.

Job 42:16

ULT

¹⁶ After this, Job lived 140 years; he saw his sons and his sons' sons, up to four generations.

UST

¹⁶ After that, Job lived 140 more years. Before he died, he saw his great-great-grandchildren.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Job 42:17

ULT

¹⁷ Then Job died, being old and full of days.

UST

¹⁷ He was very old when he died.

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