

God Speaks again & epilogue

CHARACTERS: Elihu, Eliphaz, Voice of God, Job, Group A & B, All

SETTING: bare stage

RUN TIME: 2 minutes/page

SCRIPTURE/BASED ON: Job 40-42

ELIHU: The Lord answered Job:

VOICE OF GOD: Will the one who contends with the Almighty correct Him? Let him who argues with God give an answer.

JOB: I am so insignificant. How can I answer You?

VOICE OF GOD: Would you really challenge My justice? Would you declare Me guilty to justify yourself?

GROUP A: Do you have an arm like God's? Can you thunder with a voice like His?

GROUP B: Can you Adorn yourself with majesty and splendor, and clothe yourself with honor and glory?

VOICE OF GOD: Look at Behemoth, which I made along with you.

GROUP A: He eats grass like an ox. Look at the strength of his loins and the power in the muscles of his belly.

GROUP B: He stiffens his tail like a cedar tree; the tendons of his thighs are woven firmly together.

ALL: His bones are bronze tubes; his limbs are like iron rods.

GROUP A: He is the foremost of God's works; only his Maker can draw the sword against him.

GROUP B: The hills yield food for him, while all sorts of wild animals play there.

GROUP A: He lies under the lotus plants, hiding in the protection of marshy reeds.

GROUP B: Lotus plants cover him with their shade; the willows by the brook surround him.

VOICE OF GOD: Though the river rages, Behemoth is unafraid; he remains confident, even if the Jordan surges up to his mouth.

ALL: Can anyone capture him while he looks on, or pierce his nose with snares?

VOICE OF GOD: Can you pull in Leviathan with a hook or tie his tongue down with a rope?

GROUP A: Can you put a cord through his nose or pierce his jaw with a hook?

GROUP B: Will he beg you for mercy or speak softly to you?

GROUP A: Will he make a covenant with you so that you can take him as a slave forever?

GROUP B: Can you play with him like a bird or put him on a leash for your girls?

VOICE OF GOD: Lay a hand on him. You will remember the battle and never repeat it!

ALL: Any hope of capturing him proves false. Does a person not collapse at the very sight of him?

VOICE OF GOD: No one is ferocious enough to rouse Leviathan; who then can stand against Me? Who confronted Me, that I should repay him? Everything under heaven belongs to Me.

GROUP A: Who can strip off his outer covering? Who can penetrate his double layer of armor?

GROUP B: Who can open his jaws, surrounded by those terrifying teeth?

ALL: His pride is in his rows of scales, closely sealed together.

GROUP A: One scale is so close to another that no air can pass between them.

GROUP B: They are joined to one another, so closely connected they cannot be separated.

VOICE OF GOD: When Leviathan rises, the mighty are terrified; they withdraw because of his thrashing.

GROUP A: He makes the depths seethe like a cauldron; he makes the sea like an ointment jar.

GROUP B: He leaves a shining wake behind him; one would think the deep had gray hair!

VOICE OF GOD: He has no equal on earth— a creature devoid of fear!

JOB: I know that You can do anything and no plan of Yours can be thwarted. Surely I spoke about things I did not understand, things too wonderful for me to know.

ALL: I had heard rumors about You, but now my eyes have seen You.

JOB: Therefore I take back my words and repent in dust and ashes.

VOICE OF GOD: Eliphaz, I am angry with you and your two friends, for you have not spoken the truth about Me, as My servant Job has.

ELIPHAZ: What must we do?

VOICE OF GOD: Take seven bulls and seven rams as a burnt offering to Job and he will pray for you.

ELIPHAZ: Yes, Lord.

VOICE OF GOD: You have not spoken the truth about Me, as My servant Job has.

JOB: Eliphaz, Bildad, and Zophaz did as the Lord had told them, and the Lord accepted Job's prayer.

ELIHU: After Job had prayed for his friends, the Lord restored his prosperity and doubled his previous possessions.

ELIPHAZ: So the Lord blessed the last part of Job's life more than the first.

ELIHU: He owned 14,000 sheep, 6,000 camels, 1,000 yoke of oxen, and 1,000 female donkeys.

JOB: I also had seven sons and three daughters. No women as beautiful as Job's daughters could be found in all the land, and I granted them an inheritance with their brothers.

ELIPHAZ: Job lived 140 years after this and saw his children and their children to the fourth generation.

ELIHU: Then Job died, old and full of days.

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Job 25-27 unscramble <http://www.quia.com/jw/460417.html>

Job 28-29 hangman <http://www.quia.com/hm/816758.html>

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