

Job 8

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Bildad: Job Should Repent

1Then answered Bildad the Shuhite, and said:

2How long wilt thou speak these things, Seeing that the words of thy mouth are as a mighty wind?

3Doth God pervert judgment? Or doth the Almighty pervert justice?

- 4If thy children sinned against Him, He delivered them into the hand of their transgression.
- 5If thou wouldest seek earnestly unto God, And make thy supplication to the Almighty;
- 6If thou wert pure and upright; Surely now He would awake for thee, And make the habitation of thy righteousness prosperous.
- 7And though thy beginning was small, Yet thy end should greatly increase.
- 8For inquire, I pray thee, of the former generation, And apply thyself to that which their fathers have searched out—
- 9For we are but of yesterday, and know nothing, Because our days upon earth are a shadow—
- 10Shall not they teach thee, and tell thee, And utter words out of their heart?
- 11Can the rush shoot up without mire? Can the reed-grass grow without water?
- 12Whilst it is yet in its greenness, and not cut down, It withereth before any other herb.
- 13So are the paths of all that forget God; And the hope of the godless man shall perish;
- 14Whose confidence is gossamer, And whose trust is a spider's web.
- 15He shall lean upon his house, but it shall not stand; He shall hold fast thereby, but it shall not endure.
- 16He is green before the sun, And his shoots go forth over his garden.
- 17His roots are wrapped about the heap, He beholdeth the place of stones.
- 18If he be destroyed from his place, Then it shall deny him: 'I have not seen thee.'
- 19Behold, this is the joy of his way, And out of the earth shall others spring.
- 20Behold, God will not cast away an innocent man, Neither will He uphold the evil-doers;
- 21Till He fill thy mouth with laughter, And thy lips with shouting.
- 22They that hate thee shall be clothed with shame; And the tent of the wicked shall be no more.