Book of Job

Chapter 27

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Job persists in asserting his own innocence, and that hypocrites will be punished in the end.

- 27:1. Job also added, taking up his parable, and said:
- 27:2. As God liveth, who hath taken away my judgment, and the Almighty, who hath brought my soul to bitterness,
- 27:3. As long as breath remaineth in me, and the spirit of God in my nostrils,
- 27:4. My lips shall not speak iniquity, neither shall my tongue contrive lying.
- 27:5. God forbid that I should judge you to be just: till I die I will not depart from my innocence.
- 27:6. My justification, which I have begun to hold, I will not forsake: for my heart doth not reprehend me in all my life.
- 27:7. Let my enemy be as the ungodly, and my adversary as the wicked one.

- 27:8. For what is the hope of the hypocrite if through covetousness he take by violence, and God deliver not his soul?
- 27:9. Will God hear his cry, when distress shall come upon him?
- 27:10. Or can he delight himself in the Almighty, and call upon God at all times?
- 27:11. I will teach you by the hand of God, what the Almighty hath, and I will not conceal it.
- 27:12. Behold you all know it, and why do you speak vain things without cause?
- 27:13. This is the portion of a wicked man with God, and the inheritance of the violent, which they shall receive of the Almighty.
- 27:14. If his sons be multiplied, they shall be for the sword, and his grandsons shall not be filled with bread.
- 27:15. They that shall remain of him, shall be buried in death, and his widows shall not weep.

- 27:16. If he shall heap together silver as earth, and prepare raiment as clay,
- 27:17. He shall prepare indeed, but the just man shall be clothed with it: and the innocent shall divide the silver.
- 27:18. He hath built his house as a moth, and as a keeper he hath made a booth.
- 27:19. The rich man when he shall sleep shall take away nothing with him: he shall open his eyes and find nothing.
- 27:20. Poverty like water shall take hold on him, a tempest shall oppress him in the night:
- 27:21. A burning wind shall take him up, and carry him away, and as a whirlwind shall snatch him from his place.
- 27:22. And he shall cast upon him, and shall not spare: out of his hand he would willingly flee.
- 27:23. He shall clasp his hands upon him, and shall hiss at him, beholding his place.