**CHAPTER** **41**

*A further description of the leviathan.*

**1** I WILL not stir him up, like one that is cruel: for who can resist my countenance?

**2** Who hath given me before that I should repay him? All things that are under heaven are mine.

**3** I will not spare him, nor his mighty words, and framed to make supplication.

**4** Who can discover the face of his garment? or who can go into the midst of his mouth?

**5** Who can open the doors of his face? his teeth are terrible round about.

**6** His body is like molten shields, shut close up with scales pressing upon one another.

**7** One is joined to another, and not so much as any air can come between them:

**8** They stick one to another and they hold one another fast, and shall not be separated.

**9** His sneezing is like the shining of fire, and his eyes like the eyelids of the morning.

**10** Out of his mouth go forth lamps, like torches of lighted fire.

**11** Out of his nostrils goeth smoke, like that of a pot heated and boiling.

**12** His breath kindleth coals, and a flame cometh forth out of his mouth.

**13** In his neck strength shall dwell, and want goeth before his face.

**14** The members of his flesh cleave one to another: he shall send lightnings against him, and they shall not be carried to another place.

**15** His heart shall be as hard as a stone, and as firm as a smith’s anvil.

**16** When he shall raise him up, the angels shall fear, and being affrighted shall purify themselves.

**17** When a sword shall lay at him, it shall not be able to hold, nor a spear, nor a breastplate.

**18** For he shall esteem iron as straw, and brass as rotten wood.

**19** The archer shall not put him to flight, the stones of the sling are to him like stubble.

**20** As stubble will he esteem the hammer, and he will laugh him to scorn who shaketh the spear.

**21** The beams of the sun shall be under him, and he shall strew gold under him like mire.

**22** He shall make the deep sea to boil like a pot, and shall make it as when ointments boil.

**23** A path shall shine after him, he shall esteem the deep as growing old.

**24** There is no power upon earth that can be compared with him who was made to fear no one.

**25** He beholdeth every high thing, he is king over all the children of pride.