**CHAPTER** **36**

*Eliu proceeds in setting forth the justice and power of God.*

**1** Eliu also proceeded, and said:

**2** Suffer me a little, and I will shewthee: for I have yet somewhat to speak in God’s behalf.

**3** I will repeat my knowledge from the beginning, and I will prove my Maker just.

**4** For indeed my words are without a lie, and perfect knowledge shall be proved to thee.

**5** God doth not cast away the mighty, whereas he himself also is mighty.

**6** But he saveth not the wicked, and he giveth judgment to the poor.

**7** He will not take away his eyes from the just, and he placeth kings on the throne for ever, and they are exalted.

**8** And if they shall be in chains, and be bound with the cords of poverty:

**9** He shall shew them their works, and their wicked deeds, because they have been violent.

**10** He also shall open their ear, to correct them: and shall speak, that they may return from iniquity.

**11** If they shall hear and observe, they shall accomplish their days in good, and their years in glory.

**12** But if they hear not, they shall pass by the sword, and shall be consumed in folly.

**13** Dissemblers and crafty men prove the wrath of God, neither shall they cry when they are bound.

**14** Their soul shall die in a storm, and their life among the effeminate.

**15** He shall deliver the poor out of his distress, and shall open his ear in affliction.

**16** Therefore he shall set thee at large out of the narrow mouth, and which hath no foundation under it: and the rest of thy table shall be full of fatness.

**17** Thy cause hath been judged as that of the wicked, cause and judgment thou shalt recover.

**18** Therefore let not anger overcome thee to oppress any man: neither let multitude of gifts turn thee aside.

**19** Lay down thy greatness without tribulation, and all the mighty of strength.

**20** Prolong not the night that people may come up for them.

**21** Beware thou turn not aside to iniquity: for this thou hast begun to follow after misery.

**22** Behold, God is high in his strength, and none is like him among the lawgivers.

**23** Who can search out his ways? or who can say to him: Thou hast wrought iniquity?

**24** Remember that thou knowest not his work, concerning which men have sung.

**25** All men see him, every one beholdeth afar off.

**26** Behold, God is great, exceeding our knowledge: the number of his years is inestimable.

**27** He lifteth up the drops of rain, and poureth out showers like floods:

**28** Which flow from the clouds that cover all above.

**29** If he will spread out clouds as his tent,

**30** And lighten with his light from above, he shall cover also the ends of the sea.

**31** For by these he judgeth people, and giveth food to many mortals.

**32** In his hands he hideth the light, and commandeth it to come again.

**33** He sheweth his friend concerning it, that it is his possession, and that he may come up to it.