

GOD IS GOOD, GOD IS GREAT

Job 36-37

Amid difficulty we must remember that God is good and great!

I. GOD'S GOODNESS TO MAN (36:1-25)

A. THE WORK OF THE GODLY (1-4)

1. Defend God (1-2)
2. Worship God (3)
3. Trust God (4)

B. THE WAYS OF GOD (5-15)

1. He is compassionate to all (5-6)
2. He directs the righteous (7)
3. He addresses the afflicted (8-10)
 - a. Informing them of their transgression (9)
 - b. Appealing to them to depart from evil (10)
4. He blesses the contrite (11)
5. He destroys the unrepentant (12-14)
 - a. The unhearing die in battle (12)
 - b. The ungodly die in shame (13-14)
6. He delivers the afflicted (15)

C. A WARNING TO JOB (16-25)

1. God's Goal (16-17)
 - a. To rescue Job from greater suffering (16)
 - b. To lead Job out of error (17)
2. Elihu's Admonition (18-25)
 - a. Don't Sin ...! (18-23)
 - 1) By scoffing at the cost of your correction (18-19)
 - 2) By wishing for death (20)
 - 3) By selfishly refusing God's lesson (21-23)
 - b. Do Sing ...! (24-25)
 - 1) Exalt His work (24)
 - 2) Understand your limits (25)
 - Praise God, don't explain Him! [See Rom. 11:33-36 and Eph. 1:6, 12, 14]

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II. GOD'S GREATNESS IN NATURE (36:27 - 37:24)

A. BEHOLD GOD'S WORK (36:26 - 37:13)

1. The Rain (36:27-29)
 - a. His process (27-28)
 - b. Our perception (29)
2. The Lightning (36:30-33)
 - a. His power (30)
 - b. His purposes (31)
 - c. His accuracy (32)
 - d. His revelation (33)
3. The Thunder (37:1-5)
 - Which we can hear but not understand
4. The Winter Storm (37:6-10)
 - A blizzard affects man, beast and water
5. A Thunderstorm (37:11-13)
 - God directs it's path and it's purpose

B. CONSIDER GOD'S WONDERS (37:14-24)

1. Commands (14)
 - a. Listen: Quit talking!
 - b. Stand still: Stop squirming!
 - c. Consider: Pay attention!
2. Questions (15-20)
 - a. Do you know how God does this? (15-17)
 - b. Can you do what God does? (18)
 - c. Can you teach us how to address God? (19)
 - d. Do you really want an audience with God? (20)
3. Conclusions (21-24)
 - a. We cannot see God without His assistance (21-22)
 - b. We cannot find God, but He shows Himself in justice (23)
 - c. We should fear him and give up foolish pride (24)

CONCLUSION:

What specifically should we do amid affliction?

1. Avoid sin (36:21)
2. Sing God's praise (36:24)
3. Contemplate God's wonders (37:14)
4. Worship God reverently (37:24)

Note Job's initial response to affliction in Job 1:20-22

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