



Ketouvim (hagiographes) - Job

Chapter 4

- 4,1 {S} Then answered Eliphaz the Temanite, and said:
- 4,2 If one venture a word unto thee, wilt thou be weary? But who can withhold himself from speaking?
- 4,3 Behold, thou hast instructed many, and thou hast strengthened the weak hands. {S} Then answered Eliphaz the Temanite, and said:
- 4,4 Thy words have upholden him that was falling, and thou hast strengthened the feeble knees.
- 4,5 But now it is come upon thee, and thou art weary; it toucheth thee, and thou art affrighted.
- 4,6 Is not thy fear of God thy confidence, and thy hope the integrity of thy ways?
- 4,7 Remember, I pray thee, who ever perished, being innocent? Or where were the upright cut off?
- 4,8 According as I have seen, they that plow iniquity, and sow mischief, reap the same.
- 4,9 By the breath of God they perish, and by the blast of His anger are they consumed.
- 4,10 The lion roareth, and the fierce lion howleth--yet the teeth of the young lions are broken.
- 4,11 The old lion perisheth for lack of prey, and the whelps of the lioness are scattered abroad.
- 4,12 Now a word was secretly brought to me, and mine ear received a whisper thereof.
- 4,13 In thoughts from the visions of the night, when deep sleep falleth on men,
- 4,14 Fear came upon me, and trembling, and all my bones were made to shake.
- 4,15 Then a spirit passed before my face, that made the hair of my flesh to stand up.
- 4,16 It stood still, but I could not discern the appearance thereof; a form was before mine eyes; I heard a still voice:
- 4,17 'Shall mortal man be just before God? Shall a man be pure before his Maker?
- 4,18 Behold, He putteth no trust in His servants, and His angels He chargeth with folly;
- 4,19 How much more them that dwell in houses of clay, whose foundation is in the dust, who are crushed before the moth!
- 4,20 Betwixt morning and evening they are shattered; they perish for ever without any regarding it.
- 4,21 Is not their tent-cord plucked up within them? They die, and that without wisdom.'