

# Job 15

## Chapter 15

- <sup>1</sup> THEN answered Eliphaz the Temanite, and said,
- <sup>2</sup> Should a wise man utter vain knowledge, and fill his belly with the east wind?
- <sup>3</sup> Should he reason with unprofitable talk? or with speeches wherewith he can do no good?
- <sup>4</sup> Yea, thou castest off fear, and restrainest prayer before God.
- <sup>5</sup> For thy mouth uttereth thine iniquity, and thou chooseth the tongue of the crafty.
- <sup>6</sup> Thine own mouth condemneth thee, and not I: yea, thine own lips testify against thee.
- <sup>7</sup> *Art* thou the first man *that* was born? or wast thou made before the hills?
- <sup>8</sup> Hast thou heard the secret of God? and dost thou restrain wisdom to thyself?
- <sup>9</sup> What knowest thou, that we know not? *what* understandest thou, which *is* not in us?
- <sup>10</sup> With us *are* both the grayheaded and very aged men, much elder than thy father.
- <sup>11</sup> *Are* the consolations of God small with thee? is there any secret thing with thee?
- <sup>12</sup> Why doth thine heart carry thee away? and what do thy

eyes wink at,

<sup>13</sup> That thou turnest thy spirit against God, and lettest *such* words go out of thy mouth?

<sup>14</sup> What *is* man, that he should be clean? and *he which is* born of a woman, that he should be righteous?

<sup>15</sup> Behold, he putteth no trust in his saints; yea, the heavens are not clean in his sight.

<sup>16</sup> How much more abominable and filthy *is* man, which drinketh iniquity like water?

<sup>17</sup> I will shew thee, hear me; and that *which* I have seen I will declare;

<sup>18</sup> Which wise men have told from their fathers, and have not hid *it*:

<sup>19</sup> Unto whom alone the earth was given, and no stranger passed among them.

<sup>20</sup> The wicked man travaileth with pain all *his* days, and the number of years is hidden to the oppressor.

<sup>21</sup> A dreadful sound *is* in his ears: in prosperity the destroyer shall come upon him.

<sup>22</sup> He believeth not that he shall return out of darkness, and he is waited for of the sword.

<sup>23</sup> He wandereth abroad for bread, *saying*, Where *is it*? he knoweth that the day of darkness is ready at his hand.

<sup>24</sup> Trouble and anguish shall make him afraid; they shall prevail against him, as a king ready to the battle.

<sup>25</sup> For he stretcheth out his hand against God, and strengtheneth himself against the Almighty.

<sup>26</sup> He runneth upon him, *even* on *his* neck, upon the thick bosses of his bucklers:

<sup>27</sup> Because he covereth his face with his fatness, and maketh collops of fat on *his* flanks.

<sup>28</sup> And he dwelleth in desolate cities, *and* in houses which no man inhabiteth, which are ready to become heaps.

<sup>29</sup> He shall not be rich, neither shall his substance continue, neither shall he prolong the perfection thereof upon the earth.

<sup>30</sup> He shall not depart out of darkness; the flame shall dry up his branches, and by the breath of his mouth shall he go away.

<sup>31</sup> Let not him that is deceived trust in vanity: for vanity shall be his recompence.

<sup>32</sup> It shall be accomplished before his time, and his branch shall not be green.

<sup>33</sup> He shall shake off his unripe grape as the vine, and shall cast off his flower as the olive.

<sup>34</sup> For the congregation of hypocrites *shall be* desolate, and fire shall consume the tabernacles of bribery.

<sup>35</sup> They conceive mischief, and bring forth vanity, and their belly prepareth deceit.