

# Job 36

## Chapter 36

<sup>1</sup> ELIHU also proceeded, and said,

<sup>2</sup> Suffer me a little, and I will shew thee that *I have* yet to speak on God's behalf.

<sup>3</sup> I will fetch my knowledge from afar, and will ascribe righteousness to my Maker.

<sup>4</sup> For truly my words *shall not be* false: he that is perfect in knowledge *is* with thee.

<sup>5</sup> Behold, God *is* mighty, and despiseth not *any*: *he is* mighty in strength *and* wisdom.

<sup>6</sup> He preserveth not the life of the wicked: but giveth right to the poor.

<sup>7</sup> He withdraweth not his eyes from the righteous: but with kings *are they* on the throne; yea, he doth establish them for ever, and they are exalted.

<sup>8</sup> And if *they be* bound in fetters, *and* be holden in cords of affliction;

<sup>9</sup> Then he sheweth them their work, and their transgressions that they have exceeded.

<sup>10</sup> He openeth also their ear to discipline, and commandeth that they return from iniquity.

<sup>11</sup> If they obey and serve *him*, they shall spend their days in prosperity, and their years in pleasures.

<sup>12</sup> But if they obey not, they shall perish by the sword, and they shall die without knowledge.

<sup>13</sup> But the hypocrites in heart heap up wrath: they cry not when he bindeth them.

<sup>14</sup> They die in youth, and their life *is* among the unclean.

<sup>15</sup> He delivereth the poor in his affliction, and openeth their ears in oppression.

<sup>16</sup> Even so would he have removed thee out of the strait *into* a broad place, where *there is* no straitness; and that which should be set on thy table *should be* full of fatness.

<sup>17</sup> But thou hast fulfilled the judgment of the wicked: judgment and justice take hold *on thee*.

<sup>18</sup> Because *there is* wrath, *beware* lest he take thee away with *his* stroke: then a great ransom cannot deliver thee.

<sup>19</sup> Will he esteem thy riches? *no*, not gold, nor all the forces of strength.

<sup>20</sup> Desire not the night, when people are cut off in their place.

<sup>21</sup> Take heed, regard not iniquity: for this hast thou chosen rather than affliction.

<sup>22</sup> Behold, God exalteth by his power: who teacheth like him?

<sup>23</sup> Who hath enjoined him his way? or who can say, Thou hast wrought iniquity?

<sup>24</sup> Remember that thou magnify his work, which men

behold.

<sup>25</sup> Every man may see it; man may behold *it* afar off.

<sup>26</sup> Behold, God *is* great, and we know *him* not, neither can the number of his years be searched out.

<sup>27</sup> For he maketh small the drops of water: they pour down rain according to the vapour thereof:

<sup>28</sup> Which the clouds do drop *and* distil upon man abundantly.

<sup>29</sup> Also can *any* understand the spreadings of the clouds, *or* the noise of his tabernacle?

<sup>30</sup> Behold, he spreadeth his light upon it, and covereth the bottom of the sea.

<sup>31</sup> For by them judgeth he the people; he giveth meat in abundance.

<sup>32</sup> With clouds he covereth the light; and commandeth it *not to shine by the cloud* that cometh betwixt.

<sup>33</sup> The noise thereof sheweth concerning it, the cattle also concerning the vapour.