

¹وَقَالَ الرَّبُّ لِأَيُّوبَ، ²هَلْ يُخَاصِمُ الْقَدِيرَ مُوَبِّخُهُ، أَمْ
الْمُخَاجُّ اللَّهَ يُجَاوِبُهُ.. ³فَأَجَابَ أَيُّوبُ الرَّبَّ، ⁴هَا أَنَا حَقِيرٌ،
فَمَاذَا أَجَاوِبُكَ. وَصَعْتُ يَدَيَّ عَلَى فَمِي. ⁵مَرَّةً تَكَلَّمْتُ فَلَا
أُجِيبُ، وَمَرَّتَيْنِ فَلَا أَرِيدُ. ⁶فَقَالَ الرَّبُّ لِأَيُّوبَ مِنْ
الْعَاصِفَةِ، ⁷الآنَ سُدَّ حَقْوَبُكَ كَرَجُلٍ. أَسْأَلُكَ
فَتُعَلِّمُنِي. ⁸لَعَلَّكَ تُاقِصُ حُكْمِي. تَسْتَدْبِرُنِي لِتَتَبَرَّرَ
أَنْتَ. ⁹هَلْ لَكَ ذِرَاعٌ كَمَا لِلَّهِ، وَبَصُوتٌ مِثْلَ صَوْتِهِ
تُرْعَدُ. ¹⁰تَرْتَدِّي الآنَ بِالْجَلَالِ وَالْعِزِّ، وَالْبَيْسَ الْمَجْدِ
وَالْبَهَاءِ. ¹¹فَرِّقْ قَيْصَ عَصِيكَ، وَأَنْظِرْ كُلَّ مُتَعَطِّمٍ
وَاحْفَظْهُ. ¹²أَنْظِرْ إِلَى كُلِّ مُتَعَطِّمٍ وَذَلِّلْهُ، وَدُسِ الْأَشْرَارُ
فِي مَكَانِهِمْ. ¹³أَطْمِزْهُمْ فِي التُّرَابِ مَعًا، وَاجْحِسْ
وُجُوهَهُمْ فِي الطَّلَامِ. ¹⁴فَأَنَا أَيْضًا أَخْمدُكَ لِأَنَّ يَمِينِكَ
تُحْلِصُكَ. ¹⁵هُوَذَا قَرَسُ الْبَحْرِ الَّذِي صَنَعْتَهُ مَعَكَ. يَأْكُلُ
الْعُشْبَ مِثْلَ الْبَقَرِ. ¹⁶هَا هِيَ قُوَّتُهُ فِي مَتْنِهِ وَشِدَّتُهُ فِي
عَظَلِ بَطْنِهِ. ¹⁷يَخْفِضُ ذَنْبَهُ كَأَرْزَةٍ. غُرُوقُ فَخَذَيْهِ
مَصْفُورَةٌ. ¹⁸عِظَامُهُ أَتَائِبُ تُحَاسِ، وَأَصْلَاغُهُ حَدِيدٌ
مُطَرَّقٌ. ¹⁹هُوَ أَوَّلُ أَعْمَالِ اللَّهِ. الَّذِي صَنَعَهُ أَعْطَاهُ
سَيْفَهُ. ²⁰لَآنَ الْجِبَالُ تُخْرُجُ لَهُ مَرْعَى وَجَمِيعُ وَحُوشِ الْبَرِّ
تَلْعَبُ هُنَاكَ. ²¹تَحْتَ السِّدْرَاتِ يَصْطَلِجُ فِي سِرِّ الْقَصَبِ
وَالْعِمَقَةِ. ²²تُظَلِّلُهُ السِّدْرَاتُ يَظِلُّهَا. يُجْبِطُ بِهِ صَفْصَافُ
السَّوَاقِي. ²³هُوَذَا النَّهْرُ يَفِيزُ فَلَا يَفِرُّ هُوَ. يَظْمِنُ وَلَوْ
اِنْدَقَّ الْأَرْدُنُّ فِي قَمِيهِ. ²⁴هَلْ يُؤْخَذُ مِنْ أَمَامِهِ. هَلْ يُنْقَبُ
أَنْعُهُ بِخِرَاطَةٍ.

¹Moreover the LORD answered Job, and said, ²Shall he that contendeth with the Almighty instruct him? he that reproveth God, let him answer it. ³Then Job answered the LORD, and said, ⁴Behold, I am vile; what shall I answer thee? I will lay mine hand upon my mouth. ⁵Once have I spoken; but I will not answer: yea, twice; but I will proceed no further. ⁶Then answered the LORD unto Job out of the whirlwind, and said, ⁷Gird up thy loins now like a man: I will demand of thee, and declare thou unto me. ⁸Wilt thou also disannul my judgment? wilt thou condemn me, that thou mayest be righteous? ⁹Hast thou an arm like God? or canst thou thunder with a voice like him? ¹⁰Deck thyself now with majesty and excellency; and array thyself with glory and beauty. ¹¹Cast abroad the rage of thy wrath: and behold every one that is proud, and abase him. ¹²Look on every one that is proud, and bring him low; and tread down the wicked in their place. ¹³Hide them in the dust together; and bind their faces in secret. ¹⁴Then will I also confess unto thee that thine own right hand can save thee. ¹⁵Behold now behemoth, which I made with thee; he eateth grass as an ox. ¹⁶Lo now, his strength is in his loins, and his force is in the navel of his belly. ¹⁷He moveth his tail like a cedar: the sinews of his stones are wrapped together. ¹⁸His bones are as strong pieces of brass; his bones are like bars of iron. ¹⁹He is the chief of the ways of God: he that made him can make his sword to approach unto him. ²⁰Surely the mountains bring him forth food, where all the beasts

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of the field play.²¹ He lieth under the shady trees, in the covert of the reed, and fens.²² The shady trees cover him with their shadow; the willows of the brook compass him about.²³ Behold, he drinketh up a river, and hasteth not: he trusteth that he can draw up Jordan into his mouth.²⁴ He taketh it with his eyes: his nose pierceth through snares.