

Zophar Speaks

Job 11

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1 And Zophar the Naamathite answered and said, **2** Should not the multitude of words be answered? and should a man of much talk be justified? **3** Should thy fictions make men hold their peace? and shouldest thou mock, and no one make *thee* ashamed? **4** For thou sayest, My doctrine is pure, and I am clean in thine eyes. **5** But oh that +God would speak, and open his lips against thee; **6** And that he would shew thee the secrets of wisdom, how that they are the double of what is realised; and know that +God passeth by *much* of thine iniquity!

Reproaches Job for Desiring to Search Out God's Hidden Ways (11:7-12)

7 Canst thou by searching find out +God? canst thou find out the Almighty to perfection? **8** *It is as the heights of heaven; what wilt thou do? deeper than Sheol; what canst thou know?* **9** The measure thereof is longer than the earth, and broader than the sea. **10** If he pass by, and shut up, and call to judgment, who can hinder him? **11** For he knoweth vain men, and

seeth wickedness when *man* doth not consider it; **12** Yet a senseless man will make bold, though man be born *like* the foal of a wild ass.

Promises Restoration Upon Repentance and Confession of Sin (11:13-20)

13 If thou prepare thy heart and stretch out thy hands toward him, **14** If thou put far away the iniquity which is in thy hand, and let not wrong dwell in thy tents; **15** Surely then shalt thou lift up thy face without spot, and thou shalt be stedfast and shalt not fear: **16** For thou shalt forget misery; as waters that are passed away shalt thou remember it; **17** And life shall arise brighter than noonday; though thou be enshrouded in darkness, thou shalt be as the morning, **18** And thou shalt have confidence, because there shall be hope; and having searched about *thee*, thou shalt take rest in safety. **19** Yea, thou shalt lie down, and none shall make thee afraid; and many shall seek thy favour. **20** But the eyes of the wicked shall fail, and *all* refuge shall vanish from them, and their hope *shall be* the breathing out of life.