

Job 33:1-33 **Elihu's Words to Job**

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- 1 "But please, Job, hear my speech, And listen to all my words.
- 2 Now, I open my mouth; My tongue speaks in my mouth.
- 3 My words come from my upright heart; My lips utter pure knowledge.
- 4 The Spirit of El (God) has made me, And the breath of Shaday (the Almighty) gives me life.
- 5 If you can answer me, Set your words in order before me; Take your stand.
- 6 Truly I am as your spokesman before El (God); I also have been formed out of clay.
- 7 Surely no fear of me will terrify you, Nor will my hand be heavy on you.

- 8 "Surely you have spoken in my hearing, And I have heard the sound of your words, saying,
- 9 'I am pure, without transgression; I am innocent, and there is no iniquity in me.
- 10 Yet He finds occasions against me, He counts me as His enemy;
- 11 He puts my feet in the stocks, He watches all my paths.'

- 12 "Look, in this you are not righteous. I will answer you, For Elowah (God) is greater than man.
- 13 Why do you contend with Him? For He does not give an accounting of any of His words.
- 14 For El (God) may speak in one way, or in another, Yet man does not perceive it.
- 15 In a dream, in a vision of the night, When deep sleep falls upon men, While slumbering on their beds,
- 16 Then He opens the ears of men, And seals their instruction.
- 17 In order to turn man from his deed, And conceal pride from man,
- 18 He keeps back his soul from the Pit, And his life from perishing by the sword.

- 19 "Man is also chastened with pain on his bed, And with strong pain in many of his bones,
- 20 So that his life abhors bread, And his soul succulent food.
- 21 His flesh wastes away from sight, And his bones stick out which once were not seen.
- 22 Yes, his soul draws near the Pit, And his life to the executioners.

- 23 "If there is a messenger for him, A mediator, one among a thousand, To show man His uprightness,
- 24 Then He is gracious to him, and says, 'Deliver him from going down to the Pit; I have found a ransom';
- 25 His flesh shall be young like a child's, He shall return to the days of his youth.
- 26 He shall pray to Elowah (God), and He will delight in him, He shall see His face with joy, For He restores to man His righteousness.
- 27 Then he looks at men and says, 'I have sinned, and perverted what was right, And it did not profit me.'
- 28 He will redeem his soul from going down to the Pit, And his life shall see the light.

- 29 "Behold, El (God) works all these things, Twice, in fact, three times with a man,
- 30 To bring back his soul from the Pit, That he may be enlightened with the light of life.

- 31 "Give ear, Job, listen to me; Hold your peace, and I will speak.
- 32 If you have anything to say, answer me; Speak, for I desire to justify you.
- 33 If not, listen to me; Hold your peace, and I will teach you wisdom."

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Truly I am as your spokesman before El (God); I also have been formed out of clay.
Surely no fear of me will terrify you, Nor will my hand be heavy on you. [Job 33:1-7]
 - ✧ Elihu claims his words are from a pure heart and utter pure knowledge. [Job 33:1-3]
 - ✧ You need not fear me, my hand will not be heavy on you. [Job 33:7]
 - ✧ I have clearly heard your words saying 'I am pure, without transgression; I am innocent, and there is no iniquity in me.
Yet He finds occasions against me, He counts me as His enemy;
He puts my feet in the stocks, He watches all my paths.' [Job 33:8-11]
 - ✧ Elihu said he is Job's Spokesman before El because he also is human. [Job 33:6, John 5:26-27]
 - ✧ Elihu told Job that he is not righteous because he claimed to be pure, without transgression, and innocent without iniquity. [Job 33:12]
 - ✧ Yet Yahweh said that Job was perfect and blameless. [Job 1:1, 8, 2:3]
 - ✧ Yahweh said that Satan had moved God's hand against Job without cause. [Job 2:3]
 - ✧ Job was named among the three men Yahweh said was righteous enough to save himself by his own righteousness (Noah, Daniel, and Job). [Ezekiel 14:14, 20]
 - ✧ Elihu said he will answer Job because Elowah is greater than man. [Job 33:12]
 - ✧ It is useless to contend with Elowah because He does not give account for any of His words. [Job 33:13]
 - ✧ El speaks in various ways and various times. [Job 33:14, Hebrews 1:1]
 - ✧ Man does not perceive it unless El opens his ears and seals their instruction to turn man from his from his deeds, to conceal pride, and to keep his soul from the pit. [Job 33:14-18]
 - ✧ Elihu said that El also chastens with pain to the point that man abhors food and his flesh wastes away and his soul draws near to the pit. [Job 33:19-22]
 - ✧ Elihu said that if there is a messenger or mediator it is to show God's uprightness to man. [Job 33:23]
 - ✧ After the trials, El is gracious to deliver him from the pit saying, "I have found a ransom." [Job 33:24, Matthew 20:23, Mark 10:45, 1 Timothy 2:1-7]
 - ✧ Then El will restore all that was lost. [Job 33:24-25]
 - ✧ The man then shall pray and Elowah will delight in him and restore His righteousness to the man. [Job 33:26]
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