

Job 11:1-20 **Zophar Joins the Condemnation of Job**

Zophar Urges Job to Repent

1 Then Zophar the Naamathite answered and said:
2 "Should not the multitude of words be answered? And should a man full of talk be vindicated?
3 Should your empty talk make men hold their peace? And when you mock, should no one rebuke you?
4 For you have said, 'My doctrine is pure, And I am clean in your eyes.'
5 But oh, that Elowah (God) would speak, And open His lips against you,
6 That He would show you the secrets of wisdom! For they would double your prudence. Know therefore that Elowah (God) exacts from you Less than your iniquity deserves.

7 "Can you search out the deep things of Elowah (God)? Can you find out the limits of the Almighty?
8 They are higher than heaven — what can you do? Deeper than Sheol — what can you know?
9 Their measure is longer than the earth And broader than the sea.

10 "If He passes by, imprisons, and gathers to judgment, Then who can hinder Him?
11 For He knows deceitful men; He sees wickedness also. Will He not then consider it?
12 For an empty-headed man will be wise, When a wild donkey's colt is born a man.

13 "If you would prepare your heart, And stretch out your hands toward Him;
14 If iniquity were in your hand, and you put it far away, And would not let wickedness dwell in your tents;
15 Then surely you could lift up your face without spot; Yes, you could be steadfast, and not fear;
16 Because you would forget your misery, And remember it as waters that have passed away,
17 And your life would be brighter than noonday. Though you were dark, you would be like the morning.
18 And you would be secure, because there is hope; Yes, you would dig around you, and take your rest in safety.
19 You would also lie down, and no one would make you afraid; Yes, many would court your favor.
20 But the eyes of the wicked will fail, And they shall not escape, And their hope — loss of life!"
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Facts Revealed:

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- ☛ Zophar, like his two friends, is of the same opinion that the troubles Job is facing are the consequence of grievous sins, especially pride, since Job believes he is pure and blameless and El is afflicting him without cause. [\[Job 9:21-24, 11:1-4\]](#)
- ✧ Yet Yahweh said Job was a perfect blameless man against whom Satan had moved His hand without cause. [\[Job 1:8, 2:3\]](#)
- ☛ Zophar desired Elowah to speak and confirm that the troubles Job is experiencing is less than his iniquity deserves. [\[Job 11:5-6\]](#)
- ☛ Zophar acknowledged that the knowledge and deep things of Elowah and the limits of the Almighty are far beyond human comprehension. [\[Job 11:7-12\]](#)
- ☛ Zophar suggested that the solution for Job's problems would be for Job to prepare his heart, reach out to Elowah, and repent of all his wickedness, then all his troubles would be over. [\[Job 11:13-20\]](#)