Job 22

Alte englische Darby-Übersetzung



1 And Eliphaz the Temanite answered and said, 2 Can a man be profitable to *God? surely it is unto himself that the wise man is profitable. 3 Is it any pleasure to the Almighty if thou art righteous? And is it gain to him that thou makest thy ways perfect? 4 Will he reason with thee for fear of thee? Will he enter with thee into judgment?

5 Is not thy wickedness great? and thine iniquities without end? **6** For thou hast taken a pledge of thy brother for nought, and stripped off the clothing of the naked. **7** Thou hast not given water to the fainting to drink, and thou hast withholden bread from the hungry. **8** But the powerful man, he had the land; and the man of high rank dwelt in it. **9** Widows hast thou sent empty away, and the arms of the fatherless have been broken. **10** Therefore snares are round about thee, and sudden fear troubleth thee;**11** Or darkness, that thou canst not see, and floods of waters cover thee. **12** Is not +God in the height of the heavens? And behold the summit of the stars: how exalted are they! **13** And thou sayest, What doth *God know? will he judge through the dark cloud? **14** Thick clouds are a covering to him, that he seeth not; and he walketh on the vault of the heavens.

15 Dost thou mark the ancient path which wicked men have trodden? **16** Who were carried off before the time, whose foundation was overflowed with a flood; **17** Who said unto *God, Depart from us! and what could the Almighty do to them? **18** Yet he filled their houses with good. But the counsel of the wicked is far from me. **19** The righteous see it, and are glad; and the innocent laugh them to scorn: **20** Is not he who rose against us destroyed, and doth not the fire consume his residue?

21 Reconcile thyself now with him, and be at peace: thereby good shall come unto thee. **22** Receive, I pray thee, instruction from his mouth, and lay up his words in thy heart. **23** If thou return to the Almighty, thou shalt be built up. If thou remove unrighteousness far from thy tents, **24** And put the precious ore with the dust, and the gold of Ophir among the stones of the torrents, **25** Then the Almighty will be thy precious ore, and silver heaped up unto thee; **26** Yea, then shalt thou delight thyself in the Almighty, and shalt lift up thy face unto +God: **27** Thou shalt make thy prayer unto him, and he will hear thee, and thou shalt pay thy vows; **28** And thou shalt decree a thing, and it shall be established unto thee; and light shall shine upon thy ways. **29** When they are made low, then thou shalt say, Rise up! and he shall save him that is of downcast eyes. **30** Even him that is not innocent shall he deliver; yea, he shall be delivered by the pureness of thy hands.