

Job 4

Alte englische Darby-Übersetzung



1 And Eliphaz the Temanite answered and said, **2** If a word were essayed to thee, wouldest thou be grieved? But who can refrain from speaking? **3** Behold, thou hast instructed many, and thou hast strengthened the weak hands; **4** Thy words have upholden him that was stumbling, and thou hast braced up the bending knees: **5** But now it is come upon thee, and thou grieveest; it toucheth thee, and thou art troubled. **6** Hath not thy piety been thy confidence, and the perfection of thy ways thy hope?

7 Remember, I pray thee, who that was innocent has perished? and where were the upright cut off? **8** Even as I have seen, they that plough iniquity and sow mischief, reap the same. **9** By the breath of +God they perish, and by the blast of his nostrils are they consumed. **10** The roar of the lion, and the voice of the fierce lion, and the teeth of the young lions, are broken; **11** The old lion perisheth for lack of prey, and the whelps of the lioness are scattered.

12 Now to me a word was secretly brought, and mine ear received a whisper thereof. **13** In thoughts from visions of the night, when deep sleep falleth on men: -- **14** Fear came on me, and trembling, and made all my bones to shake; **15** And a spirit passed before my face--the hair of my flesh stood up-- **16** It stood still; I could not discern the appearance thereof: a form was before mine eyes; I heard a slight murmur and a voice: **17** Shall mortal man be more just than +God? Shall a man be purer than his Maker?**18** Lo, he trusteth not his servants, and his angels he chargeth with folly: **19** How much more them that dwell in houses of clay, whose foundation is in the dust, who are crushed as the moth! **20** From morning to evening are they smitten: without any heeding it, they perish for ever. **21** Is not their tent-cord torn away in them? they die, and without wisdom.