

Job 25 - Bildad's 3rd Discourse

II. Dialogue (Job 3:1–42:6)

- (4) Third dialogue cycle (Job 22:1–31:40)
 - (B) Job's exchange with Bildad (Job 25:1–28:28)
 - (a) Bildad's third speech (25:1-6)
 - (i) God's infinite nature (25:1-3)
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2 "Dominion and awe belong to Him Who makes peace in His heights.

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2 "Dominion and fear belong to God; who fashions peace in his high heaven.

2 Dominion and fear are with him, he maketh peace in his high places.

3 "Is there any number to His troops? And upon whom does His light not rise?

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3 Is there any limit to his armies? On whom does his light not shine?

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4 "How then can mankind be righteous with God? Or how can *anyone* who is born of woman be pure?

4 "How then can a man be just with God? Or how can he be clean who is born of woman?

4 How can a human being become right with God? How can a human being be pure?

4 How then can man be justified with God? or how can he be clean that is born of a woman?

5 "If even the moon has no brightness And the stars are not pure in His sight,

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5 Behold, even the moon isn't bright, and the stars aren't pure in his eyes.

5 Behold even to the moon, and it shineth not; yea, the stars are not pure in his sight.

6 How much less man, *that* maggot, And a son of man, *that* worm!"

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6 How much less is man, who is only a maggot, or a man's children, who are only worms!"

6 How much less man, that is a worm? and the son of man, which is a worm?