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ELIHU SPEAKS (Job 32 - 37)

- I. May Be the SPIRITUAL Voice of WISDOM Defending GOD
 - A. Declares God is NOT SILENT (Job 32 33)
 - 1. Wisdom is not LIMITED to the AGED (32:6-9)
 - 2. He's DELIVERING God's MESSAGE (32:10, 18, 20; 33:2-3, 31, 33)
 - B. Declares God is JUST (Job 34)
 - 1. God ALWAYS treats people as they DESERVE (34:10-20)
 - 2. God KNOWS things we DON'T (34:21-30)
 - 3. God is REFINING Job (34:31-37)
 - C. Declares God is GREAT (Job 35)
 - 1. God does not OWE Job an EXPLANATION (35:4-8)
 - 2. Job should be CAREFUL what he says about GOD (35:16)
 - D. God is SOVEREIGN (Job 36-37)
 - 1. He controls LIFE and DEATH (36:5-33)
 - 2. He controls ALL THINGS (37:1-24)
- II. May Be the SINISTER Voice of REASON Supplanting GOD
 - A. Declares HIMSELF the VOICE of God (32:10, 20; 33:2-3, 31, 33)

- 1. His words are SPIRIT-GUIDED (32:8-9, 18; 36:2-4)
- 2. He is Job's MEDIATOR (33:6; cf. 9:32-35; 16:21)
- 3. THEY would decide if Job is GUILTLY (34:3-4)
- B. Declares Job is WRONG
 - 1. He claims to be SINLESS (32:1-2; 34:5; cf. 9:20)
 - 2. He is being PUNISHED for his SIN (34:7-8, 11, 36-37; 35:16; 36:17; cf. 1:1, 8; 2:3)
 - 3. Job has said FALSE things about GOD (34:35; 35:16; cf. 42:7)
- C. Calls Job to REPENT in order to be RESTORED (33:26-28)
- D. Calls Job to ask God to SHOW him his GUILT (34:31-32; cf. 6:24; 7:20-21; 10:2; also 36:13-14, 15-20)
- E. Appealing to God is POINTLESS, for God cannot be KNOWN (37:19-20, 23-24)
- III. Satan's Most DANGEROUS Attack: Masquerading as the Voice of GOD
 - A. Attacking Job's faith by presenting a FALSE CHRIST
 - 1. He contradicted what GOD said about JOB
 - 2. He contradicted what JOB said about GOD
 - B. Speaking LIES in GOD'S name
 - 1. TRANSGRESSED the BOUNDARY set by God
 - 2. DISMISSED by a SINGLE STATEMENT by God (38:1-2; cf. 42:7)