

# “Through the Bible: Job 8-10, 18-19, 25-31 (Bildad and Job)”

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## I. Bildad’s Comments to Job (Job 8,18,25)

A. Consider these comments of Bildad in Job 8.

1. Bildad immediately questions, “How \_\_\_\_\_ wilt thou speak these things? and how \_\_\_\_\_ shall the words of thy mouth be like a \_\_\_\_\_ wind” (Job 8:2)?
2. Later, Bildad accuses Job as one who has forgotten “\_\_\_\_\_,” and one who is acting like a “\_\_\_\_\_” (Job 8:13). What does Bildad say about this kind of person in Job 8:13? \_\_\_\_\_
3. “Behold, God will not cast away a \_\_\_\_\_ man, neither will he \_\_\_\_\_ the evil doers” (Job 8:20).

B. Consider these comments of Bildad in Job 18.

1. Bildad utters a familiar question, “How \_\_\_\_\_ will it be ere ye make an \_\_\_\_\_ of words? mark, and \_\_\_\_\_ we will speak” (Job 18:2).
2. Job 18:3-21 is Bildad’s attempt to put some “fear of the Lord” into Job. Pick out three phrases in this passage you feel illustrate Bildad’s effort.
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. \_\_\_\_\_

C. Consider these comments of Bildad in Job 25.

1. Bildad continues his questioning ways. “How then can man be \_\_\_\_\_ with God? or how can he be \_\_\_\_\_ that is born of a woman” (Job 25:4)?
2. Bildad refers to man as a \_\_\_\_\_ in Job 25:6.

## II. Job’s Response to Bildad’s Comments (Job 9-10, 19, 25-31)

A. Job responds to Bildad first by acknowledging God and His Superiority.

1. Job, being the man he was, understood the vast majesty of God. He said, “Which doeth \_\_\_\_\_ things past \_\_\_\_\_ out; yea, and \_\_\_\_\_ without \_\_\_\_\_” (Job 9:10).
2. Job knew the folly of trying to “\_\_\_\_\_ him” or “\_\_\_\_\_ with him (Job 9:14). Yet, later in Job, he would do this very thing.
3. What statements in Job 9:25-26 indicate Job feels his life is “spinning out of control?” \_\_\_\_\_

B. Job turns his whole attention to God.

1. Job pleads with God, “Do not \_\_\_\_\_ me; \_\_\_\_\_ me wherefore thou \_\_\_\_\_ with me” (Job 10:2).

2. Additionally Job requests, "If I \_\_\_\_\_, then thou \_\_\_\_\_ me, and thou wilt not acquit me from mine iniquity" (Job 10:14).
  3. What does Job admit in Job 10:15? \_\_\_\_\_
- C. Job shows appreciation for his Redeemer.
1. What pointed things did Job have to say to his friends in Job 19:2-3?  
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  2. Through Job 19, Job laments his current condition and the lack of help and compassion by those who know him best. The tone changes in Job 19:25-27 with Job declaring, "For I know that my \_\_\_\_\_ liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth: And though after my skin worms \_\_\_\_\_ this body, yet in my flesh shall I \_\_\_\_\_ God: Whom I shall see for \_\_\_\_\_, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another; though my reins be consumed within me."
- D. Job struggles to find hope in his bleak position.
1. What three hopeless things does Job utter in Job 17:1? \_\_\_\_\_  
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  2. Later he says, "My days are \_\_\_\_\_, my purposes are \_\_\_\_\_ off, even the thoughts of my \_\_\_\_\_" (Job 17:11).
  3. What does Job wearily ask in Job 17:15? \_\_\_\_\_  
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- E. Job passes through a lengthy speech in Job 26-31. Here, they are summarized.
1. Job 26 finds Job attempting to describe God's majesty. "He stretcheth out the north over the \_\_\_\_\_ place, and \_\_\_\_\_ the earth upon \_\_\_\_\_. He bindeth up the waters in his thick clouds; and the cloud is not \_\_\_\_\_ under them" (Job 26:7-8).
  2. Job 27 discovers Job trying to maintain his integrity. "God forbid that I should justify you: till I die I will not \_\_\_\_\_ mine \_\_\_\_\_ from me. My righteousness I hold \_\_\_\_\_, and will not let it \_\_\_\_\_: my heart shall not reproach me so long as I live" (Job 27:5-6).
  3. Job 28 sees Job speaking about the immense value of wisdom. "It cannot be valued with the \_\_\_\_\_ of Ophir, with the precious \_\_\_\_\_, or the \_\_\_\_\_" (Job 28:16).
  4. Job 29-31 notices Job conclude his statement and defense.
    - a. Job longs for the past. "Oh that I \_\_\_\_\_ as in months \_\_\_\_\_, as in the days when God preserved me" (Job 29:2).
    - b. Job summarizes the present. "My harp also is \_\_\_\_\_ to mourning, and my organ into the voice of them that \_\_\_\_\_" (Job 30:31).
    - c. Job proclaims his innocence. He says, "I made a \_\_\_\_\_ with mine \_\_\_\_\_; why then should I think upon a maid" (Job 31:1).