

A Warning to Those who Mislead God's People (Job 27)

Job addresses all three friends here – they have aligned themselves with Satan without knowing it.

- I. Job Affirms His Standing Before God (1-6)
 - A. Job Swears by the Sovereign God (1-2)
 - B. Job Swears He will Only Utter Truth (3-4)
 - C. Job Refuses to Accept He is Rejected by God (5-6)
 - 1. He will not say they are right
 - 2. He refuses to trash can his integrity
 - a. His integrity is his faithfulness to God's word
 - b. His integrity is his faithful sacrifices
 - 3. He will not let go of his righteousness
 - a. The righteousness He has been given
 - b. His heart holds fast to what he has been given
- II. Job Cries For Justice Against His Accusers (7-10)
 - A. Job Prays for Judgment Against them (7-8)
 - 1. He cries that God would see his enemy as the wicked (7)
 - 2. He knows that when God cuts man off, there is no hope for him
 - 3. Job is praying an imprecatory prayer and it seems to be pointed directly at the friends who have been giving him advice all these chapters
 - B. Job Warns His Accusers (9-10)
 - 1. Job intimates that God will not hear the godless when he is cut off
 - 2. Job asks whether the godless will even attempt to cry to God when he is cut off and things are turning toward judgment
 - a. Job is warning his friends that they will be the ones cut off
 - b. Job is warning his friends that they will be the ones who will be crying to God for mercy if they keep misrepresenting him.
- III. Job Warns Those who Mistreat the Righteous (11-23)
 - A. Job Instructs His Friends about God and Oppressors of His People (11-13)
 - 1. Job resolves to teach his friends about God (11-12)
 - a. Job says I will teach you concerning the hand of God
 - b. Job promises not to withhold any information about the almighty
 - c. They have rejected the truth of the true God and Job will instruct them
 - 2. Job will teach them the fate of those who oppress the righteous
 - a. He will tell them the portion of the wicked man with God

- b. He will show them what the oppressors will receive from the Almighty
 - c. Job is talking about the way they have treated him. He is the one being oppressed by these three counselors
- B. Job Illustrates the Fate of the Oppressors (14-23)
 - 1. Their Families will be destroyed (14-15)
 - a. His children are only multiplied so they will die by the sword
 - b. His descendants will go hungry
 - c. Even those who survive will be stricken with pestilence
 - d. And their widow will not weep for them
 - 2. The Righteous will Receive the Oppressor's wealth (16-17)
 - a. He may heap up treasures of silver and clothing
 - b. The righteous will wear them and the innocent will divide his silver
 - 3. The Oppressors will have no security in Earthly Things (18-19)
 - a. He will build houses and go to bed rich
 - b. He will lose his wealth in the blink of an eye
 - 4. The Oppressors will Be removed from their place (20-21)
 - a. Terrors will overtake him and carry him off
 - b. He will be swept away by the east wind
 - 5. The Oppressors will be Mocked because of the destruction they endure (22-23)
 - a. Tragedy will have no pity on him
 - b. He will run from the power of it
 - c. Tragedy will mock and hiss at him