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#### **JOB 31:35**

Ah! Dear Beloved Brethren it is a great and monumental privilege to be allowed to be a student, who... is now considering this....

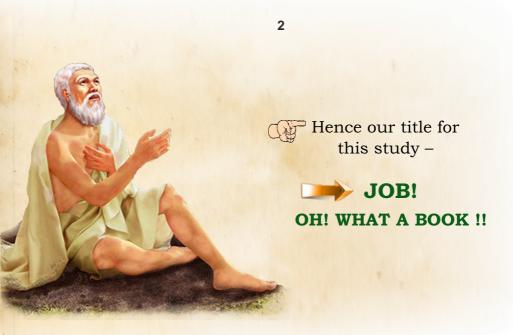


# It truly is a masterpiece from Our Heavenly Father!

And, Yes there have been **MANY** who have considered and written about this book. And today we have this blessed opportunity! And we thank God for it! And we will **NOT** be the last! There will be **MANY** more to follow.

Indeed, the light of understanding concerning this book of Job is increasing.... since the return of Our Lord in **1874...** with the "sup" (Revelation-3:20) of the SPIRITUAL UNDERSTANDING of Our Father's Word...and the great DIVINE PLAN OF THE AGES!

Yes! We are absolutely <u>delighted</u>...and <u>thankful</u> for this opportunity to pay a **REVERENTIAL**TRIBUTE to this book of Job!!



As some of you might know this book of Job is used as a **TEXTBOOK** for study in the Master's degree **(M.A.)** for English Literature! And that too, here in India! Indeed it is a book of wonderful language and... a **SHOWCASE** to exhibit the variations of GRAMMAR in the study of the English language.

Yes! Ask anybody with a Masters degree in English Literature for **MORE DETAILS!** 

Then....for **SCIENTISTS**.... It is a veritable book of wonder and discovery concerning the existence of a **INTELLIGENT CREATOR** and God, and the Bible being His revelation....as great scientific **TRUTHS** and **CONCEPTS** are **UNCOVERED** in its pages such as –

The **ASTOUNDING** fact that the planet Earth is suspended in space "over nothing".....



JOB 26:7

"He stretched out the north over the empty place, and hangeth the earth upon nothing."

- A great **SCIENTIFIC TRUTH**.... that amply explains the reality.... that religious traditions and MYTHOLOGY go to great lengths to show the earth hangs on **SOMETHING!!**
- The mention of **STAR CONSTELLATIONS** in the Universe.... only very recently discovered by man.... and still being understood by man.....

JOB 9:9/JOB 38:31,32

"Canst thou bind the sweet influences of Pleiades, or loose the bands of Orion?

"Canst thou bring forth Mazzaroth in his season? or canst thou guide Arcturus with his sons?"

Then...the fact... that thunder **FOLLOWS** the lightning, as light travels faster than sound to our senses...which we read in -



"He directeth it under the whole heaven ,and His lightning unto the ends of the earth."

"After it a voice roareth: He thundereth with the voice of His

"After it a voice roareth: He thundereth with the voice of His excellency; and He will not stay them when His voice is heard."

Then... **the cycle** that forms and brings rainfall...!

JOB 28:26 /JOB 36:27, 28

"When He made a decree for the rain, and a way for the lightning of the thunder."

"For He maketh small the drops of water: they pour down rain according to the vapor thereof: Which the clouds do drop and distil upon man abundantly." Then.... the existence of molten rock called "lava", below the ground upon which we stand... and cultivate our fields of food....!

This is Scientific knowledge too wonderful... that is found recorded in this Book of Job more than 3000 years ago!

#### JOB 28:5

"As for the earth, out of it cometh bread: and under it is turned up as it were fire."

Then.... the great t ruth known to **MARINE BIOLOGISTS**...... that the sea and the great oceans have within them.... streams of fresh water, deep within which are like "rivers" in the oceans.... where **most of the FISH live and thrive.** 

#### JOB 38:16

"Hast thou entered into the springs of the sea? or hast thou walked in the search of the depth?"

(More detail in Psalms 18: 15)



And we can go on... And on....! But... that is for the Scientists!

#### We must go on.... though!

- To **STUDENTS OF THE BIBLE**.... there are great **DIVINE TRUTHS** hidden in this book such as...
- The great **HOPE** of the resurrection from **DEATH...!** found in....

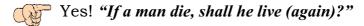
JOB 14:14,15 - "If a man die, shall he live again? all the days of my appointed time will I wait, till my change come.

Thou shalt call, and I will answer thee: thou wilt have a desire to the work of thine hands."

#### and....

JOB 19:26,27 - "And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God: Whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another; though my reins be consumed within me."

**Job 14:14** asks perhaps the question that has been asked and explored throughout the centuries of human history!



What is the **HOPE** for all mankind after death? while various religions propose various answers to this question... it is seen rather **ASTOUNDINGLY** revealed here in **Job 14: 14 & 15**... that all mankind will indeed LIVE AGAIN... or return back to LIFE! This great and most astonishing "miracle" is found described in details in another scripture -

Job 19: 26 & 27... where this coming to life again is described as being "in my flesh" and having the

# same MIND, MEMORY and marks of IDENTIFICATION!

Yes! The scripture describing the process of being made alive again in the great **RESURRECTION OF**THE DEAD!

The great doctrine of the **RANSOM**... for redemption from the grave..... found in.... great details of **TRUTH** in....

JOB 33: 22 - 24

"Yea, his soul draweth near unto the grave, and his life to the destroyers. If there be a messenger with him, an interpreter, one among a thousand, to show unto man his uprightness: Then He is gracious unto him, and saith, Deliver him from going down to the pit: I have found a ransom."

The great divine plan for the "seventh" **REST DAY** of God...... a "six" for **the permission of evil**...and a "seventh" for **total redemption** from evil, as found revealed in.....

#### JOB 5:19

"He shall deliver thee in six troubles; yea, in seven there shall no evil touch thee."

The great divine truths that even some spirit beings in heaven..... - "angels" have **FALLEN** into sin...! **JOB 15:15 / 4:18** 

"Behold, he putteth no trust in his saints; yea, the heavens

#### are not clean in his sight."

"Behold, he put no trust in his servants; and his angels he charged with folly:"

Here in **Job 15:15 the KJV** translation of "saints" is the Hebrew word - "qadosh" (strongs - Hebrew # 6918)... which here is IMPROPERLY translated as "saints", which is actually should be "holy ones", which in turn is a reference to the ANGELS in heaven - the holy spirit beings - and pointing to the FALL of some of them! This is made very clear in the second scripture in **Job 4:18** where it is seen the reference is indeed to God's spiritual "servants" - the ANGELS... and how some of them fell into SIN, as described in the Bible in **Genesis 6th** chapter Vs 1 to 4. Once again most wonderful DIVINE TRUTH found in the Book of Job!

The great and marvelous **TRUTH**... of the **CREATIVE PROCESS** by which God made man!... specially here focused on a systematic and progressive creative process for the body of flesh!

Yes! The **VERY** graphic description of the "HOW" concerning the scripture, we read in **Genesis 1:26** - "And God said, Let us make man..." Yes! The description in **Vs-10 and 11** speak of a progressive SYSTEMATIC manner to the creation of the BODY... with the "poured me out as milk ,and curdled me like cheese" may be a reference to the making of BONES in molds!



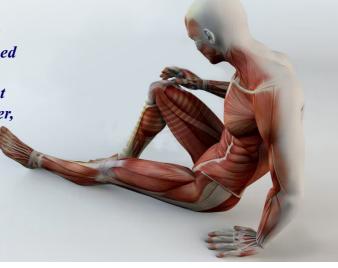
### Indeed! most wonderful INSIGHTS!

JOB 10:8-12

"Thine hands have made me and fashioned me together round about; yet Thou dost destroy me. Remember, I beseech Thee, that Thou hast made me as the clay; and wilt Thou bring me into dust again?

Hast Thou not

poured me out as



milk, and curdled me like cheese? Thou hast clothed me with skin and flesh, and hast fenced me with bones and sinews. Thou hast granted me life and favor, and Thy visitation hath preserved my spirit."

Then... Truths on the divine **JUDGEMENT** upon the wicked is very explicit... **JOB 21 : 7 - 16** and **JOB 27 :13 -19.** and **JOB 20 : 15 - 19 / 27 - 29** 



And so again we can go on... and on!

But perhaps the **GREATEST DIVINE TRUTH** is... the very construction... or the way and manner in which the book **ITSELF** has been composed and written! There have been various arguments... and **DEBATES** among commentators and learned

scholars concerning the book of Job.

- That the whole book is a parable...
- That Job is a imaginary character, who never really existed.
- Debates concerning the location of the place Job is shown from **Uz**
- Debates concerning **the author** of the book.
- And... yes... **the time** of its composition... or when it was written.

Yes! The scripture describing the process of being made alive again in the great **RESURRECTION OF THE DEAD!** 

For those interested to study these debates and discussions... they can do so by looking at commentaries of **Poole** and... **Barnes**... and **Gill** and... **Scofield** and... **Matthew Henry**, among others.

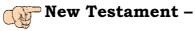
All these can be accessed on the "My sword" app... on Android mobile phones. We do not have the time in this study to go into those interesting analyses dear brethren!

But **we are assured** of Job having **existed** as a real person in the scriptures by a **testimony** in both the Old and New Testaments.



#### **Ezekiel 14:20**

"Though these three men, Noah, Daniel and Job, were in it, they should deliver but their own souls by their righteousness, saith the Lord."



James 5: 11

"Behold, we count them happy which endure. Ye have heard of the patience of Job, and have seen the end of the Lord; that the LORD is very pitiful, and of tender mercy."

Bro.Russell in the Biblical Comments toJob 1:1 tells us that Job lived in thePatriarchal age, most definitely beforeMOSES, who is the author of Genesis and the rest of the Torah.

He suggests that he must have been a contemporary of **Abraham** and **Melchizedek**.

To us most **IMPORTANTLY** this tells us that this book was written **BEFORE** Moses (and thus the Book of Genesis) and effectively **BEFORE** the receiving of the law from God.

Thus this is the ONLY Book of God from the **Patriarchal Age**.. Before the Jewish dispensation.

For this,... we are assured **by these three points** –

- **#1. No mention is made of the Law** and its prescribed sacrifices, in the book of Job.
- >= #2. No mention is made at all of the name or nation of Israel in the whole book.
- #3. Job's age as computed from Job chapter 1 and 42: 16 is that his years would be well in excess of 200 years, which again indicates him NOT belonging to the generation of Moses... but the generation of and prior to Abraham's father Terah.

(Genesis 11: 18 - 25) Peleg - 239yrs / Reu - 239yrs / Serug - 230yrs / Nahor - 148yrs / Terah - 205yrs (Vs 32).

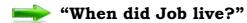
From the genealogy we have of the post flood generations in **Genesis 11th chapter**, we see that the marriageable age was 30-35 years. And from the details we have of Job's children in **Job 1:4** - them being seven sons and three daughters ., - we see that ALL the seven sons were married. (Please note in **Vs.4** - "And his sons went and feasted [in their] houses, every one his day;...." - That would mean a separate house and obviously married)

Thus the age of Job at the point of this experience in his life could have been between **75-80** years. We do not know how long this experience lasted.(It has been suggested it could have been a period of **SIX** years, representative of the **6000** years of **permission of evil - Job 5:19**)

So we can reasonable compute his life span to have been **80 + 140 = 220** years!

This very definitely puts him in the early generations of the post flood world - the **Patriarchal Age.** 

Now it was recently brought to our attention that some dear Brethren...
in addressing the question –



.....have made extensive suggestions and presentations **that give very differing thoughts** from the **EBC** comments of Bro.Russell for **Job 1:1**-

"Job lived in the Patriarchal age and must have been a contemporary of Abraham and Melchizedek" (R1505)

Their **CLAIM** and suggestion is that **Job was a grandson of Jacob the Patriarch** and lived -**AFTER** the death of Jacob and all his sons ... and **BEFORE** Moses.

Here below is their suggestions (Summary of Question – "When did Job
actually live?"

The suggestion is that there is basis to believe that Job was the grandson of **JACOB**... the son of

#### ISSACHAR! (Genesis 46:13/I Chronicles 7:1)

Further... Jacobs twin brother **ESAU** had a son named **ELIPHAZ** (**I Chronicles 1:35**) who is claimed to be the **Eliphaz** from the book of Job!

The thought proposed is that they are the same Job and Eliphaz.... of book of Job! This is based on the words of Eliphaz in..... Job 15:9,10..... where he implies he is **OLDER THAN EVEN JOB'S FATHER!** 

Now the comments of Bro.Russell that.... "Job lived in the Patriarchal age..... and was probably a contemporary of Abraham and Melchizedek"... is dismissed on the basis of God's words to Satan in Job 1:8... "that there is <u>none</u> like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright man"

It is argued that according to these words of God,
Job had to be **ALONE** as the righteous man on the
earth... **And thus** could **NOT** have been a
contemporary of **Abraham** and **Melchizedek** if
that were to be so!

Hence it is concluded that Job would have lived.... **AFTER JACOB** had died... and **all his sons** as well... but **BEFORE MOSES!** 

## Well,... WHAT can we say to this?

To begin with... if we were to accept and believe this... then **JOB** lived in the **JEWISH AGE!** 

#### (The death of Jacob, begins the Jewish Age and heralds the CLOSE of the Patriarchal age)

And, that is **NOT** what the evidence on Job shows..... nor is it in harmony with the comments of Bro.Russell on the matter of Job and when he lived. (By the way! Bro.Russell does NOT go into details of the BASIS of his comments!)



So let us now study this matter!

We think the **ANSWER** is found in pursuing the EVIDENCE and BASIS for the comments of Bro.Russell!

By this we mean, that first of all, we assume Job was from the Patriarchal age and hence was one among the Patriarchs! These patriarchs were **INDIVIDUALS** who were in relationship with God, the Almighty. ("El-Shaddai" as he was known then -Job 11:7/13:3/Job 23:16)

Now the patriarchs as we generally know them are (IN ORDER) - Noah, Abraham, Isaac & Jacob.

So **WHERE** would Job fit in among these patriarchs?

We, very curiously, find this answer **HIDDEN** in the **SECOND** stage for Bible chronology!





Now you may be wondering HOW?



Well, the beginning point here is the **BEGINNING** of the "flood", where **NOAH**, the first patriarch was **600** years old (**Genesis 7:11**). And the reference to "the promise" here is the **ABRAHAMIC PROMISE** that God made with Abraham (**Genesis 12:1** to **4**) He was named **Abram**, at the time! He was **75** years old when he obeyed the command of God and "departed" from the land and his people. It was at the death of his father **TERAH** (**Acts 7:4**) you could say that **THAT** was where God **ACCEPTED** Abram and entered into a relationship with him, and where his period as a patriarch **BEGAN!** And, of course when he laid hold upon "the promise" of God!

Now having understood the **TWO ENDS** of this second stage of Bible chronology, let us now find **WHERE** Job fits in among the patriarchs!

Let us begin with –

Genesis 9:28,29

"And Noah lived after the flood three hundred and fifty years.

And all the days of Noah were nine hundred and fifty years;

and he died"

From this scripture we understand that for the first **350 years** of the second stage of chronology in the Patriarchal age Noah alone was possibly the only patriarch. After Noah's death till Abram obeying God... and laying hold on "the promise" was further **77 years. (427 – 350 = 77 years)** 

During this period of 77 years Noah was dead.... and Abram was born 2 years later and then was born into and..... growing up in a family that "served other gods" (Joshua 24:2).

Thus during this period of 77 years there was a "window" where we believe, it was **JOB** who could have been the **ONLY** living patriarch then!

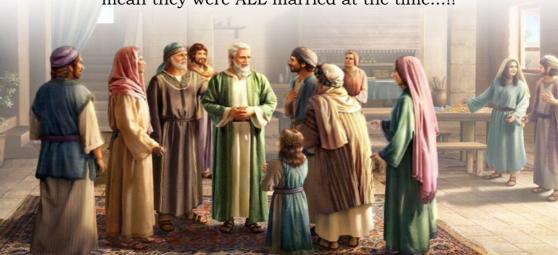
Remember Gods words in **Job 1:8?** 

Now let us provide the EVIDENCES for this matter!



**How old was Job** when he had the terrible experiences that came upon him?

Based on **Job 1:4**, it is clear that ALL the seven sons of Job had **their own** "houses", which would mean they were ALL married at the time…!!



In those days of the Patriarchal age post the flood, in **Genesis 11:10-27** the age of bearing the first born was between the age of **30-34years**. So if Job's seven sons were all born to him between the ages of **30-40 years**... and they **ALL** got married by the time Job's age was **70-72 years**, then when this terrible **TRIAL** came on Job he would have been about **75** years old.

And, going by the thought presented earlier of Job's trial experience lasting a period of **6 years** it would leave Job being **80-81** years when this trial ended.

So, when God spoke to Satan in **Job 1:8**, Job would have been around **74-75 years**, which would easily fit him into that **77** year "window" making him to be the ONLY living patriarch then.



Subsequent to this terrible experience, Job lived another 140 years (Job 42:16). Abram on the other hand, after laying hold on "the promise" at 75years (Gen 12:4) and then receiving the name Abraham, lived another HUNDRED YEARS and died at 175 years (Gen 25:7)

And he[ **Abram**] met Melchizedek, probably between the ages of **75-80** years.

So, anyway you look at it,...Job's remaining lifetime of 140 years ran CONTEMPORARY to the years of Abraham and Melchizedek!

Ah! How **EXACT** and **TRUE** are the comments of the seventh messenger, Bro.Russell, on this matter!

And, now, we have seen the **BASIS** behind the comments he made!! Indeed! Job was a **PATRIARCH** from the Patriarchal age (Ezekiel 14:20 An Ancient Worthy!) and was a contemporary with Abraham and Melchizedek!!

Thus this without doubt makes the **Book of Job** – the VERY FIRST revealed and "written" word of God!

#### It is the FIRST of Holy writ!

Which brings us to the divine purpose of giving this book in advance of the Law and even the Book of Genesis!



What could that be?

Yes! Why would God write a book of His Word **BEFORE** the book of Genesis??

 $^{ t t}$  Well, perhaps the answer is found in our theme scripture TEXT which we read in -

Job 31:35

"Oh that one would hear me! Behold my desire is, that the

## Almighty would answer me, and that mine adversary had written a book"

Well! Notice the request of Job here – a "desire" to receive from the Almighty a answer –by means of a written book!

And, notice he very pointedly refers to God as "mine adversary". The Hebrew word used here is H7379 – "reeb" which does NOT mean enemy... but rather someone with whom you have a "dispute", a "quarrel".

Now this of course will **be very surprising to many!**That Job would refer to God as - "mine adversary"!!

And, indeed, Job **had such an attitude towards God** in his suffering, which we read in-

"Be certain that it is God who has done the wrong ,and has taken me in his net" (BBE/NIV)

And then in...

"As surely as God lives, who has denied me justice ,the Almighty, who has made me taste bitterness of soul" (NIV)

And again in....



Even today is my complaint bitter; my stroke is heavier than my groaning. Oh that I knew where I might find him!......

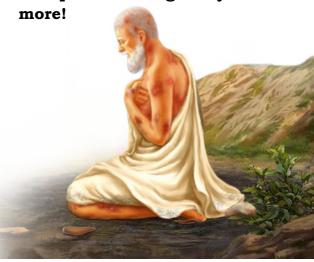
I would order my cause before him..." (KJV)



These are but a few samples ... among many

Oh! Job was greatly
DISTRESSED and
perhaps even
DEPRESSED... And
he wanted an
ANSWER from God...
and as a "written"
book! And, will God
make and give him
that book, as he

"desired"?



Yes, we know God is a **HEARER** of prayers... and **ANSWERS** as well... in **His best time and way!** 

#### Yes! Dear brethren!

This very book of Job has been written and constructed to **BE THAT ANSWER!** 

Now, while Job as an individual actually existed, and had all these painful experiences... **it was God Himself**... that made and composed this book, so to speak!! This is why the human author of this book is virtually unknown and the matter obscure!

While the language style of the book is considered to be poetry... we are inclined to consider it as a great "drama"...with CHARACTERS,

and a **STORYLINE**... and **DIALOGUES**... leading to a **CLIMAX** and conclusion.

And God Himself is one of the characters in this drama ... who has His part... and dialogues as well!

**In fact** like in all dramas... there are **SEVEN** parts or **"scenes"** in the Book of Job, it has been suggested!!

 Scene -1
 PROLOGUE ... Job 1:1 to 2:8

 Scene -2
 JOB & HIS WIFE ....Job 2:9,10

 Scene -3
 JOB & HIS THREE FRIENDS....Job 2:11 - 31:40

 Scene -4
 JOB & ELIHU ....Job 32:1 to 37:24

 Scene -5
 JOB & GOD ....Job 38:1 to 41:34

 Scene -6
 JOB's FINAL ANSWER ....Job 42:1 - 6

 Scene -7
 EPILOGUE & CONCLUSION ....Job 42:7 - 17

This of course **has been** the suggestion of a commentator named... "SCOFIELD"(Refer "Mysword" Bible app on Android).

But the way we look at this wonderful book and its purpose... we see it is God's **ANSWER** to **Job**....and **mankind** who Job typifies, concerning the **WHOLE PERSPECTIVE** of the "permission of evil!"



And, indeed! **THAT** is what this book is really about! While we all **DO KNOW** that the LORD has explained His purpose for...

- The "permission of evil"....
- And the **history** of mankind in that period..
- And... His planned redemption from death..
- And..final **salvation** from sin

....in His great **DIVINE PLAN OF THE AGES**detailed..."here a little and there a little"... extending
through the 66 Books of divine writ that make
up..."the book of the LORD" (**Ps 56:8**)... this Book of
Job is meant to **ENCAPSULATE** ... that whole
plan... and history... and redemption ... and
salvation in one book!!

And so now, by the grace of God, let us now **BEHOLD** this masterful work of God in this Book of Job!

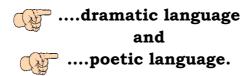
And as we said at the beginning of this study, we are privileged to have been permitted to look into this wonderful book as "students"... and certainly DO NOT CLAIM to know all things on the matter.

We will only present for your consideration (1 Thessalonians 5:20,21)... what we have been permitted to.. and hope it is a **BLESSING!** 



So let us begin...

Let us **ALWAYS** keep in mind before us that the **LORD** here is presenting the entire **DIVINE PLAN** for man in... a form that can be described as -



Yes! The full **42 chapters** cover the entire period of **7000yr** for the plan of God and the fulfilment of these words in Genesis 1:26 - "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness" (Also in Psalms **119:73**).

Thus we see that...

**Chapter 1 to 37** - picturises the period from 4128BC and the CREATION of Adam and the **Fall in 4126 BC to 1874AD** ...including the **6000yrs** for "the permission of evil"....

#### And...

➤ Chapter 38 to 42 - picturises the period from 1874 AD to 2874 AD and beyond – the completion of "the little season", and the end of the work of the blessed millennium!

Now there are **characters in this book** that we are to understand, and they are.....

- → Job
- His seven sons and three daughters
- His Wife
- ➡ His three friends Eliphaz, Bildad and Zophar
- 📥 Elihu
- His seven sons and three daughters born to him again at the end.
- And then finally, there is God and ...Satan.

But before we go about identifying them... let us behold the wonder of the **beginning 3 verses** and last... **2 verses** of the Book and how it perfectly matches the beginning and ending of the Divine Plan for man... as detailed in the scriptures!

#### Yes! Let us now turn to -

Job 1: 1-3

"There was a man in the land of Uz, whose name [was] Job; and that man was perfect and upright, and one that feared God, and eschewed evil. And there were born unto him seven sons and three daughters. His substance also was seven

thousand sheep, and three thousand camels, and five hundred yoke of oxen, and five hundred she asses, and a very great household; so that this man was the greatest of all the men of the east."

Firstly these **3 verses take in and describe** the very matters covered in the beginning of the creation account of man found in the Bible, in -

#### Genesis 1:26-28

"And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. So God created man in His own image, in the image of God created He him; male and female created He them. And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful and multi ply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth."

Yes! Job 1:1 Here we are to remember that in dramatic language this pretty much sums up the substance of being made "in the image" and "the likeness" of God. And Uz meaning "wooded" was in the EASTERLY direction... thus again suggesting reference to the garden of God - Eden (Genesis 2:8)

Then **Job 1:2** describes the "be fruitful and multiply" of **Genesis 1:28** – the fact that **from Job** (initially picturing only Adam) would manifest a race – a human family.

Remembering this is dramatic language... these "seven sons and three daughters" that he had initially... who later are shown as ALL dying (Job 1:18,19) would represent the **GENERATION** of the human race...in the fallen condition of Adam and Eve as described in **Psalms 51:5**. The entire human family generated into this condition is represented in this reference to Job's children.

Yes! There is a **SEVEN** and **THREE** aspect to this generation into the condition of "sin and death" process for the whole race!

#### And thus...

- "seven sons" represent the aspect that it would take 7000 years for these children of Adam [the human race) to be fully generated.
- "three daughters" represent the aspect that it(this process) would take three dispensations of time called "worlds".
  - And... <u>please note</u> that the sum of Job's children... "seven" and "three" make up **TEN**, which in scriptures is a number representative of... the whole earth (**Zechariah 8:23/Matthew 25:1**)
- And..Job 1:3 describes those words in Gen 1:26 and 28 "Let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle..."



# Let us now behold... the ending verses of the book of Job...

Job 42:16,17

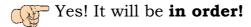
"And after this lived Job an hundred and forty years... so Job died, (being) old and full of days".

Ah! This is the end of the book and represents what is found in **Revelation** chapters 20 to 22 of the Bible!

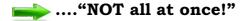
Firstly in...**Job 42:16** the key word is "*lived*"... for only in that blessed millennial kingdom and upon.. the "*highway of holiness*" will mankind (**Job**) be said to have the <u>OPPORTUNITY</u> **to "live".** 

Yes! The opening of the **WORLD SALVATION**. This aspect is also represented in the **GREAT PYRAMID** by the last **1/7th** of the **HORIZONTAL PASSAGE** having a **air vent!** 

"saw his sons and his sons' sons" - This illustrates a great **TRUTH** concerning the work of <u>awakening</u> from the dead and resurrection.



It will be in generations going backward, SLOWLY -



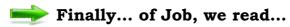
Yes! This represents **ALL** the generations of mankind returning from the grave as described in - **Luke 13: 30** - "And, behold, there are last which shall be first, and there are first which shall be last."

"even four generations" would represent the four directions of the earth – north, south, east and west..., as ALL who have died "in Adam" will now "in Christ" be made alive... yes... even to the four corners of the earth!

Ah! Yes! Remember the scripture in –

Luke 13:29

"And they shall come from the east and from the west, and from the north..."



"lived an hundred and forty years" - This figure of 140 years would represent something to do with that... life attainment opportunity for mankind.

#### what is meant here?

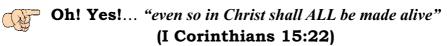
We would suggest this is a combination of numeric symbols **100** and **40** representing... that this life opportunity then gained by mankind will have the features represented in **100** and **again in 40!!** 

"100" here represents that this life opportunity for mankind is for ALL... 10 is the perfect earthly number (Zechariah 8:23) and 100 is 10 times 10... or absolutely ALL in a emphatic and COMPREHENSIVE sense.

Yes! Indeed, the **RACE** of mankind during this "permission of evil" have been manifest in various **DIVISIONS** of race, language, religion, tribes and in various conditions of **DEGRADATION IN SIN** -

Hindus, Muslims, Buddhists, Jains, Sikhs,
Christians of the various denominations (Antichrist),
Atheists, Agnostics, Africans, Chinese, Jungle
tribes, Pygmies, Cannibals, Satan
worshipers, Transgenders, Homo-sexuals, eunuchs,
pedophiles, murderers, prostitutes, terrorists,
rapists....etc.,

## Yes the list can go on and on!!



And..."40" represents that this life opportunity for **ALL**... is to be in conditions of **probation**... and subject to a **final judgement**... as **40** in the scriptures always is a number of judgement.

Oh! Indeed! It will be clearly understood by all, that this great miracle of being **AWAKENED FROM THE DEAD**.... and being **made alive again**, is a **FREE GIFT**, made possible by the "sacrifice" of GOD and CHRIST on their behalf.... but the progress in that opportunity from the awakening to life.... to completing the <u>RESURRECTION</u> to human perfection.... and attaining to and receiving **ETERNAL LIFE**.... requires the **PERSONAL EFFORTS** and "works" of each individual member

And thus we read in -

of the race for oneself as they stand in judgement before God.

Revelation 20:12

"And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God and

# the books were opened....and the dead were judged out of those things...according to their works."

Oh! Yes! Job "lived"... and mankind will gain the LIFE opportunity on the basis of this **100 and 40**...that make **140 years!!!** 

## And finally... Job 42 :17 -

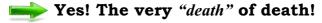
Ah! The LAST words of this wonderful book! "Job died,(being) old and full of days" –

Yes! These last words draws the curtains down so to speak on this great and grand dramatical masterpiece describing the **END** of the divine plan for man described in....

#### Revelation 20:14

"And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death".

Ah! Yes! The FINAL destruction of the death sentence over man.



And thus here this last verse ends on a **HAPPY NOTE**.... all but <u>unrecognized</u>... that of Job dying old ...and full of days ...representing that this condition of death with **mankind** (Job) which lasted the full "seventh day" of 7000years ....the period of the "valley of the shadow of death" of Psalms 23:4

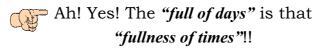
....would then **be fulfilled** ("full of days") and...

at an end ("died")

In fact this "full of days" also correlates to a word God uses for that point of time – **the end of the** millennium – and the 7000years seventh day in -

#### Ephesians 1:10

"That in the dispensation of the fullness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ..."



Ah! Brethren! Did you see how PERFECTLY the book of Job picturises the divine plan in its beginning and ending?

Now let us look at the characters in this book of Job.....



In the beginning of the book and the opening verses he is a picture of **ADAM** – the first man created by God in His "image and likeness"... but later

...perhaps from the **12th** verse... he becomes a **TYPE** for mankind in the "fall".....or fallen condition.

Finally in the **42nd** chapter and **vs 7 to 9**... we find that Job here is a **TYPE for something else!** We will understand a little later... who! But again from **vs10 to 17** and the end of that chapter and the book... he again picturises the **TYPE** of mankind.

## ....His "seven sons and three daughters"

(**Job 1:2**) - Yes! These were "born unto him" and later died. And we saw earlier **what this pictured**... earlier in our study. (Yes, Refer to .....page 27)



Well,we are not too sure what to say concerning who this character relates to! She appears so BRIEFLY in the book and from the words she speaks (**Job 2:9,10**) she does not seem to share the same FAITH and REGARD for God as Job does.

#### So who does she picturise?

Could she be... a picture of the FALLEN DEPRAVED HUMAN NATURE... as opposed to the



We think this thought is further strengthened, as we read in the scriptures that it was Adam's **wife,**Eve who was used as the **INSTRUMENT** by the **evil**one to lead into <u>SIN</u> and <u>DEATH</u> by
deception as we read in -

#### I Timothy 2:14

"And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was (ORIGINALLY) in the transgression"

Further this nature is a nature of SELFISHNESS and **covetousness** as described in **Isaiah 57:17** -

"For the inequity of his covetousness was I wrath and smote him...."

This is the SPIRIT of the "present evil world" as it is the spirit of the "heaven" as we read in -

#### **Daniel 4:33**

"The same hour was the thing fulfilled upon Nebuchadnezzar: and he was driven from men, and did eat grass as oxen, and his body was wet with the dew of heaven, till his hairs were grown like eagles' [feathers], and his nails like birds' [claws]."

Yes! Here again is a typical picture of Adam, and the human race in **Nebuchadnezzar** and his fall from glory over a period of "seven times" representing the **7000 year** period of the "seventh day" of creation, after man's fall in Eden.

Here the "dew of heaven" is interesting!

**Dew** is a symbol for God's Holy Spirit in **Psalms 133:3...** but here in relation to the "dew of heaven" it refers to the **UNHOLY SPIRIT** of the present heaven of Satan and his fallen angels - the Spirit of **SELFISHNESS!** 

And as the wife was divinely intended to be "one flesh" (Genesis 2:24) Job's wife here would probably represent this FALLEN DEPRAVED HUMAN NATURE......within all mankind in their "flesh" by inheritance (Psalms 51:5) that must be RESISTED and fought against as aptly illustrated here by Job rebuking his wife and her ways!!

His three friends "Eliphaz, Bildad and Zophar"

Notice these **(Job 2:11)** "three friends" came to be WITH JOB

.....and they "sat down with him upon the ground seven days and seven nights" (Job 2:13)

who do they represent...and

**WHAT** does all this mean?



# To understand **who they represent** we must necessarily go to -

Job 42:7-9

"And it was so that after the LORD had spoken these words unto Job, the LORD said to Eli phaz the Temanite, my wrath is kindled against thee, and against thy two friends for ye have not spoken of me (the thing that is) right, as my servant Job (hath). Therefore take unto you... and go to my servant Job, and offer ... yourselves a burnt offering; and my servant Job shall pray for you; for him will I accept... So Eli phaz ... went and did according as the LORD commanded them ,the LORD also accepted Job."



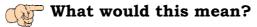
# What could all this mean?

Well, while the **previous verse vs-6** shows the **EXPRESSION** and **WILLINGNESS** of Job – all mankind - to repent before God... it is only the next verse - vs-7 that now explains the details of **HOW** this **DIVINE FORGIVENESS** and **ACCEPTANCE** is worked out.

#### Thus...



- is the Hebrew word #464 (Strong's - Hebrew) meaning... "my God is (fine) gold"



Well, gold in the scripture, is always symbolic of **DIVINE** - as in the Tabernacle, Now the world have many diverse "gods" and concepts of divinity (I Corinthians 8:5). But we realise how the blinded

eyes of understanding of all MANKIND will be opened in the circumstance of Israel's "great time of trouble" (Jeremiah 30:7) which will come to be called the **Third World War...** it will be acknowledged by **ALL** that the God of Israel.... is ...a .... God of gods... delivering them from sure **NUCLEAR ANHILATION** in a absolutely astounding miraculous display of divine power (Psalms 118:10-14)

Ah!.... *"fine gold"*!

(This is perhaps pictured in the realization of the GENTILE king, King Darius and his proclamation... in **Daniel 6:26**) ....and King Nebuchadnezzar in Daniel 3:29 (The GOD of "gods" - the TRUE God!)

Yes! Eliphaz here represents Israel as a nation....and rightly so....for **NOTICE** that God speaks to him only! And indeed it is through Israel that all the world of mankind will receive God's salvation (Zachariah 8:23/ John 4:22)

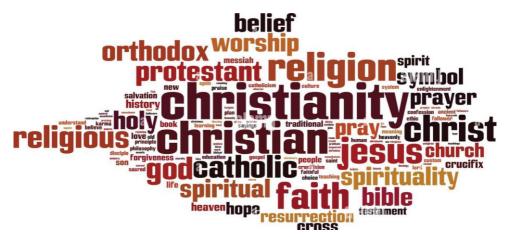


Now to "Bildad"

- It is the Hebrew word #1085... which me "confusing (by mingling) love"

# What would this mean?

Well, we suggest that this is a reference to **NOMINAL CHRISTIANITY**... whose masses express a great love and zeal for God... but it is a love that is based on a knowledge of God which is confusion or a heady mix of part scripture and part error...which is why this system is referred to by God... as "Babylon" or... confusion!



Yes! Bildad is a reference to **NOMINAL CHRISTIANITY** both Roman **Catholic** and **Protestant.** 

If one were to wonder, as to **WHY** the nation of Israel and Nominal Christianity is being highlighted here in symbol, **it must be noted** that this is for a good reason!

Both are related to the Bible - the Word of God - the Book of Life (John 5:39/ Revelation 20:12)



# THE JEWISH AGE - Nation of Israel - Old **Testament**

# THE GOSPEL AGE - Nominal Christianity -**New Testament**

Yes! These Two classes of people will come into the **MILLENNIAL AGE** salvation, as part of the world of mankind, yet different in that they would have had a **PARTIAL introduction** to the scriptures. This partial exposure to the influence of the Holy Scriptures will set them apart from the rest of mankind.

Here we would like to mention that the **MUSLIMS and** believers in the religion of ISLAM will be VERY **SURPRISED to learn then** that they had been **DECEIVED** into thinking they were **related to Israel** and Christians in that they are taught that their QURAN is the fourth book from their God - Allah.... and the other three books are found in the Bible the Torah (The Pentateuch), the Zaboor (the Book of Psalms) and the Injil (The Gospels).

This will be found to be **NOT TRUE** and **BASELESS!** The God of the Bible has **NO** relation to the god of the **QURAN**, whatsoever!



And finally to "Zophar"

- it is the Hebrew word **#6691** (Strong's-Hebrew) meaning... "sparrow"... and further having a

## meaning of "depart early" and "return".



## What does all this mean?

Well, we would suggest that this signifies the vast majority of the rest of mankind... of whom it can be said that, they did... "depart early" from the knowledge of God.. as seen in the typical picture of CAIN... and his words in...

### Genesis 4 : 14

"Behold, thou hast driven me out this day from the face of the earth; and from thy face shall I be hid..."



# Ah! Isn't it so clear?!

And... further, isn't it clear that this vast majority of mankind are... "to return" ... to the real knowledge and understanding of God as we read prophetically recorded in...

#### **Psalms 22:27**

"All the ends of the world shall remember and turn unto the LORD and all the kindred of the nations shall worship before thee."



#### Yes! It is very clear!

And then we see that... **Zophar**... representing the vast majority of mankind (except Christians & Jews)... also means "sparrow". This is rather peculiar, but very interesting!

From this we **now** realise perhaps the significance of Our Lord's rather peculiar words in -

# **Luke 12:6**

"Are not five sparrows sold for two farthings, and not one of them is forgotten before God?"

Yes! The Lord speaks these words, when in that same chapter of **Luke 12**, he is **SPECIFICALLY teaching** and **encouraging** the church – **the new creation**.... about God's watch care over them.

**Again** we read these words of our Lord recorded in a **different** manner in –

# Matthew 10 : 29

"Are not two sparrows sold for a farthing? And one of them shall not fail..."

Well, we **had wondered** whether the Master was only trying to use the example of small, rather insignificant creature, such as the sparrow!

But realising the Lord's words were largely parabolic (Matthew 13:34) and further were "spirit" (John 6:63)... we now realise this was NO SIMPLE MATTER!

And thus "sparrow" here represents the world of mankind in their present blinded condition to the knowledge of God.

And the Lord is emphasizing the **DIVINE** watch care

over the world as well and **contrasting** that watch care with the new creation, concludes with those words in-

#### Luke 12:7

"Fear not therefore: ye are of more value than many sparrows".

Indeed, the new creation are to be REPRESENTATIVES ... so to speak... of all kinds of mankind (Revelation 5:9)

Yes! They become members of what can be referred to as....a world parliament....in the divine government of Christ - Zion (MZ's - Members of Zion) (Psalms 87:5) and thus naturally......



"Ye are of more value than many sparrows".

Yes! Those who are elected as MP's or members of Parliament in various countries are representatives of specific AREAS of people. And thus the **NEW CREATION** are each to be specific representatives of their **SPECIFIC** peoples/languages/nation. (Revelation 5:9)



Ah! Yes! It is so clear!

Now what could the "five" in the sparrows mean?

Well, we are acquainted with symbols in the Bible...as God uses various parts of nature around us, such as clouds, water, trees, fire, rain, etc to symbolize **spiritual** concepts in the scriptures. And so too does God uses **NUMBERS** as **numeric symbols.** Remember, the number **7** represents **divinity** and **perfection!** 

Thus what could *"five"* as a numeric symbol represent?

We see "five" in -

- Matthew **25th** chapter and... the "five" wise and "five" foolish **virgins**.
- The **Torah**...or the **Pentateuch** having **FIVE** books,
- The "gate" of **the Tabernacle** having <u>FIVE</u> posts (poles) upon which hung the four embroidered curtains.
- The height of the outer linen **curtain walling** of the court of the Tabernacle being **FIVE** cubits,

Well, we would suggest that **FIVE** in the scriptures is a numeric symbol for **HUMAN** as for instance the "five wise virgins" and "five foolish virgins" represent the NEW CREATION in the flesh where "five" for BOTH groups represents the spirit begettal in **HUMAN** bodies as seen in **2 Corinthians 4:7** - ... "this treasure in earther vessels"

- Thus *"five sparrows"* would represent the human race in their present **BLINDED** condition!
- And the "two farthings" represents the word of God

in **their two parts** – Remember the good Samaritan and the two pieces of silver (Luke 10:35)?

Yes! Jesus was referring to mankind in God's divine plan and Word....but those details are many and we do not have the time for it now. We touched on it to give evidence for our interpretation of Zophar!.

Ah! Did someone ask – **What** is meant by "two sparrows for a farthing" as found in Matthew 10:29?

Well, that is the **JEWISH** perspective of what Jesus had taught earlier in Luke 12th Chapter!

The human race in **TWO** parts as they see it - **Jewish** and Gentile...and the word of God...in one part... the **OLD TESTAMENT!** 

Yes! Remember that the Jews are still **UNAWARE** of the two parts of the Word of YAHWEH!



Well, let us now go on....!

Let us return to -

Job 42:7-9

"And it was [so], that after the LORD had spoken these words unto Job, the LORD said to Eli phaz the Temanite, My wrath is kindled against thee, and against thy two friends: for ye have not spoken of me [the thing that is] right, as my servant Job [hath]. Therefore take unto you now seven bullocks and seven rams, and go to my servant Job, and offer up for

yourselves a burnt offering; and my servant Job shall pray for you: for him will I accept: lest I deal with you [after your] folly, in that ye have not spoken of me [the thing which is] right, like my servant Job. So Eli phaz the Temanite and Bildad the Shuhite [and] Zophar the Naamathite went, and did according as the LORD commanded them: the LORD also accepted Job."

Ah! So now we know that **Eliphaz** is a picture of **Israel**... and **Bildad** is a picture of **Nominal Christianity** and **Zophar** is the **rest of the world**.

This covers...all of mankind, with the <u>leading</u>
<u>FOCUS</u> being on Israel. Now **verse 8** details the
basis for the ATONEMENT between God and men – *"seven bullocks and seven rams"* 

Yes! These symbolise the Gospel Age "better sacrifices" of CHRIST, the redeemer and saviour.



- represents **Jesus** and "the ransom" which will then be... the "due time"... to be then... "testified unto all men" (1 Timothy 2: 6)

#### And....



- represents the <u>CHURCH</u> ..as the Body of "the Christ"..being part of that sin offering represented in..the "ram"

And...the "seven" of **both** the bullocks and the rams... represent this arrangement for Atonement

## being of **DIVINE ORIGIN.**

> Yes! **JESUS John 3 : 16** – "God so loved the world" that He gave....."

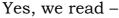
> And THE CHURCH - Roman 12:1 -"by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice"

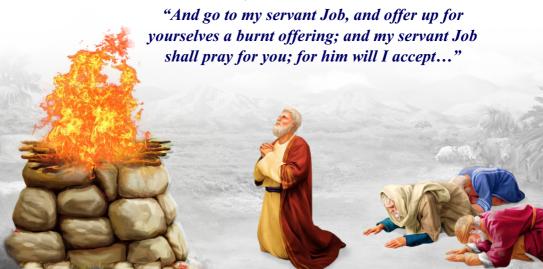
Oh! Yes! The world then would be able to "SEE" all this and **ACCEPT** God's gracious arrangement

Again here, in drama, we see the wonderful representation of the ATONEMENT process of all mankind to God!

Notice how in **Vs-6** it was Job - picturing the whole world of mankind that expresses repentance to God, and in the next verse - Vs 7, God, instead of replying to Job, turns to **Eliphaz** to express His dissatisfaction against him and his two friends and points to the way for **RECONCILIATION**. This beautifully picturises and details how **DIVINE** FORGIVENESS and SALVATION from God will be channeled through the nation of Israel - and the "new earth" administration of the ANCIENT WORTHIES set up there (John 4:22/Zecharaiah 8:23) first for the nation of Israel itself... and then through them...to all the nations of mankind.

But what of Job, here?





Surely Job is **NOT** a picture of the world of mankind here! It would be a **REPETITIVE** double reference!

Then <u>**WHO**</u>... or <u>**WHAT**</u> does he represent here? The key to understanding is found in those words...



Yes! Job <u>here</u> represents the <u>means</u>... or shall we say... THE ONLY WAY... for the world to gain the acceptance of God... <u>including Israel.</u>

#### And what will that be?

Well... we read the answer in -

Jeremiah 31:31-33

"Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will make a

new covenant with the house of Israel, and the house of Judah, not like the covenant which I made with their fathers when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant which they broke, though I was their Husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant which I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it upon their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people."

#### And

#### Hebrews 8:10-12

"For this [is] the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord; I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts: and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people: And they shall not teach every man his neighbor, and every man his brother, saying, Know the Lord: for all shall know me, from the least to the greatest. For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more."

Yes!! It is going to be through the **NEW COVENANT** arrangement... that beginning with Israel... and then reaching out to the whole world of mankind that... **atonement** and **reconciliation** to God will take place... as we read in **Isaiah 2:2,3** and the words-

"Come ye and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways and we will walk in his paths."

Yes! What we read of in **Zechariah 8:23** as well!

Ah! Yes! The **ACCEPTANCE** and **BLESSINGS** of the **LORD** will be ....**ONLY**... through this new covenant ... and thus Job... here represents that only means of **DIVINE ACCEPTANCE**....that **NEW COVENANT!** 

# Ah! Wonderful, wonderful dramatised language!!

But let us remember that it **is only** in these **PECULIAR** three verses of chapter **42:7 to 9** that the significance of Job changes from representing all mankind... **to the new covenant.** 

Well, for those **wondering** as to **WHY** and... for **WHAT REASON** Job's characterisation is here changed to represent the **NEW COVENANT**... only in these 3 verses, we would like to suggest a thought!

As we have seen in this study thus far, this **BOOK** was a prayerful "desire" of Job (**Job 31:35**) and he himself was **UNAWARE** of it, because it very definitely would have been compiled by God, after his life was ended. In compiling this "book"

FACTUAL the LORD has taken real events in Job's life and using the medium of

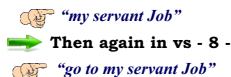
DRAMATIC language has woven in the picture of the

Divine Plan of the Ages for mankind and the

PERMISSION OF EVIL.

Thus while Job will surely **RECOGNISE** the great **OVERRULING** power of the Heavenly Father in his life to weave this wonderful picture, we suggest here in these three verses of **7 to 9 in the 42nd chapter of Job**...this refers to the **REWARD** and **POSITION** of Job in the **Kingdom of God.** Yes! It is a reference to him being part of the "new earth" administration along with the other **Ancient Worthies**, of whom he is one!

We come to this conclusion as we read in vs **7 to 9** we read repeatedly the expression -



"My servant Job shall pray for you; for him will I accept"



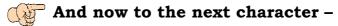
Yes! This **AGAIN** is a factual event of Job's **FUTURE** life in the Kingdom of God - as part of the "princes in all the earth" (Psalms 45:16)

And, yes, it will be recognised by Job and... all who read this wonderful book... of how the "new earth" of God's **VISIBLE PHASE** of His Kingdom will extend the **SALVATION** and **RECONCILIATION** of all mankind to God through the instrumentality of

the "new covenant".... and Job will be part of that divine arrangement and administration.

And, thus we see him being representative of that **NEW COVENANT** here!

But from the next verse vs- 10 to the end vs- 17... he returns to being a type for all mankind!





Ah! This character appears towards the end of these chapters -1 to 37, dedicated to show the 6000 years for "the permission of evil"... and totally disappears with the beginning of chapter 38... and through the end of the book!

As a matter of fact, he is **not even classed** as one of the **friends** of Job!

He enters the scene **in chapter 32** and continues till the end of **chapter 37**.

He is described as - "Elihu, the son of Barachel the Buzite, of the kindred of Ram"

Well, all the evidences point to the rather conclusive fact ...that he represents ...the **NEW CREATION** of the Gospel Age... the "spirit begotten" **CHURCH OF CHRIST** whom God selects and develops out of the **FALLEN RACE** of mankind.

#### Let us now see the numerous evidences -

- #1. The details of his name and heritage and their meaning –
- Elihu #453 Hebrew means "He is my God"
- Son of Barachel #1292 Hebrew means "God has blessed"
- The Buzite #940 Hebrew means "Contempt"
- Of the kindred of Ram #7410 Hebrew means "High" or "exalted"
- Ah! Does not all these aptly describe the NEW CREATION "the Sons of God" (John 1: 12)



.....who have been blessed of God to a "high calling", even to the divine nature, but, who now in the flesh and in this world are subject to HUMBLING experiences as their "light" is taken for "darkness" (Isaiah 5: 20) (I Peter 5: 6)

**#2.** Then we have the WORDS spoken by Elihu....

> Job 32: 6 "I am young and ye are very old"

Remember this is drama language. This represents the new creation being **SO FEW** in numbers in comparison to the **SO MANY** of numbers of the world.

**Dob 32: 18 and 19** — "For I am full of matter, the spirit within me constraineth me... it is ready to burst like new bottles"

Ah! How aptly this describes the **burning** and **enthusiastic ZEAL** in receiving the truth ...and **yearning** to bear witness!

Job 33: 4 - "The spirit of God hath made me"

Ah! This expresses the **SPIRIT BEGETTAL** of the new creation by "the spirit of God" – the spirit of truth (James 1:18)

> Job 33 : 6 – "I also am formed out of the clay"

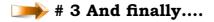
Another awesome truth of the new creation– the spirit begettal in fleshly bodies.

Yes! The "treasure" in earthen vessels" (2 Corinthians 4:7)

# And then ...his teachings –

- ➤ Job 33:14 The mention of the first two dispensations or worlds!
- ► Job 33:23 The Saviour of mankind from heaven "an angel"
- Job 33:24 The Ransom!
- ▶ Job 33:25 The Resurrection and Restitution.
- ▶ Job 34:3,4 Why does God permit Evil?
- Job 34:14,15 -The concept of the living soul... and... "the soul that sinneth it shall die" (Ezek 18:4)
- > Job 34:21-28 -The Judgement of God.
- ➤ Job 35:2 -8 The need for sanctification deliverance and repentance from sin.
- > Job 36:2-14 God and.. the kingdom of God on earth!
- Job 37 God as Creator ...of all creation!

Oh! Yes! Another **CLEAR** evidence of Elihu being the **NEW CREATION** – the possession and knowledge **of the TRUTH!** 



Elihu just disappears after the **end of chapter 37**...and from chapter **38 to 42** is completely missing.

**Chapter 38** is representative of the beginning of the **Millennium** and... this represents the fact that the **NEW CREATION**.....will be **no more** on the human plane!

Yes! Their presence in the **Divine Plan of God** for mankind will then be **NOT in flesh**.....but as **DIVINE SPIRIT BEINGS, invisible** to the human eye!

And now to the next character....

His "seven sons and three daughters" at the end

This we find mentioned in **chapter 42 and verse 13**..... and further details concerning them is found in the following verses of **14**, **15**!

To understand what this means we must keep in mind the fact that Job was shown as having the **exact** same number of progeny at the beginning of the book in the first chapter... and that of course we saw represented the **GENERATION** of the human race... in "sin and death" conditions

(Psalms 51:5)

But as we reach the end of the book of Job and these verses in **chapter 42**... these now represent how in the great plan of God... **after** this period of **7000 years**... and the **three worlds**... as men **(Job)** 

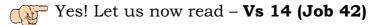
review the human story... it will be manifest that mankind then will be... "seven sons and three daughters"



One, a heavenly and spiritual one, producing over the SEVEN PARTS of the Gospel Age...the little flock ...and the, great company...to the SPIRIT NATURE ...the "seven sons" of Job implying that they were originally of....and taken from the human race to become the "sons of God" (John 1:12).

#### And....

**Two,** the earthly and human salvation, where the "three daughters" are also given names for us to understand some **details** concerning... the **EARTHLY SALVATION!** 



"And he called the name of the first, Jemima; and the name of the second, Kezia; and the name of the third,

Kerenhappuch"

Now Let us look at the meaning of these names -



- is from the Hebrew word #3224, which means "dove"... and aptly represents the FIRST blessing mankind will receive as part of the earthly salvation... the HOLY SPIRIT... which would then have been poured out "on all flesh" (Acts 2:17 / Joel 2:28)



is from the Hebrew word #7103 which means
 "beauty"....and aptly represents the SECOND
 blessing that mankind will receive as part of the earthly salvation .....and that is the DIVINE
 TRUTH from the word of God.

(Isaiah 61:3 .... "to give unto them beauty for ashes")

Yes!... the "and the books were opened" (Revelation 20:12)

And... "the deaf shall hear the words of the book" (Isaiah 29:18)

And... "the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD as the waters cover the sea"

(Habakkuk 2:14)

# "Kerenhappuch"

is from the Hebrew words # 7163/ 6320 which actually in combination means – "beautified" ....and aptly represents THE FINAL blessing, mankind will receive as part of the earthly salvation... and that is HUMAN PERFECTION... of both body and mind... and the opportunity to gain eternal life, that will then be offered to all that "will" ....who walk up that... "highway of holiness"

And... indeed of that it is written in **Revelation 22:17** –

"And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely"

## And again in... **Job 33:25**...



"he shall return to the days of his youth"

Indeed, the earthly salvation will be full of divine blessings to deliver mankind from the grip of sin and degradation.

# And that final result is described in those words of –

Job 42:15

"And in all the land were no women found so fair as the daughters of Job; and their father gave them inheritance among their children"

Indeed! The earthly salvation will bring forth... a **BEAUTIFUL RACE OF MANKIND!** 

Indeed! The beings of the whole universe... the angels and all... will marvel at the beautiful finished WORK of God... on earth!

And then we read of their (the earthly salvation)**inheritance** 

Ah! Mankind in their **PERFECTED STATE** are...to receive an "inheritance...."



Something to be their **POSSESSION** forever.

#### Ah! Yes!....

The **KINGSHIP** and **KINGDOM** of the earth.

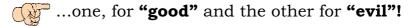
This, we of course read in the scriptures in... **Revelation 22:5** ...and... **Matthew 25:34** 

# Oh! Yes! How beautifully expressed in drama..... are these thoughts dear brethren!

And... the <u>last</u> of the <u>TWO</u> characters in this book of Job is –

# **GOD** and **SATAN!**

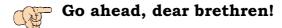
And... we would see they represent the <u>INVISIBLE</u> <u>SPIRIT FORCES</u> that worked through this 7000year plan of God –



That then, wraps up our **CHARACTER SKETCHES** in this book of Job.

# But then... this is just the beginning of understanding this book.

Brethren, you can enter into a voyage of discovery into the book, now...!



**In conclusion**... we recognise the period we NOW live in!

Yes! We are in the <u>Millennium</u> - The "thousand year" reign of Christ... from October 1874 to 2874. In the book of Job, that is seen in chapters 38 to 42.

But we know the kingdom has **TWO** phases – FIRST... The **"invisible"** phase of the kingdom

And... from **Vs 6** till the end of chapter 42 are marvelous pictures of the **"visible"** phase of the kingdom, beginning first in Israel...

Here we see God now making reference to **TWO** creatures - **Vs-15** - "behemoth" and **chapter 41:1** - "leviathan". The Lord does go into much detail here... and all through the **41st chapter.** 

#### What could these references mean?

Well, there are varied opinions concerning the identity of these two creatures. While we will **not be** able to go into much detailed analysis on the matter here... we would like to point out that **BOTH** these creatures being referred to here by the LORD are one of the **EARLIEST** creations of God on earth.

# Let us explain briefly...



from **October 1874** till the kingdom establishment in Israel, after the Third World War, styled, "the day of His preparation" (Nahum 2:3)

And THEN... the **"visible"** phase of the kingdom thereafter first in Israel..and then to expand and extend to *"the ends of the earth"* 

Remember the prayer in Matt 6: 10?

Well, it is shown in the book of Job!

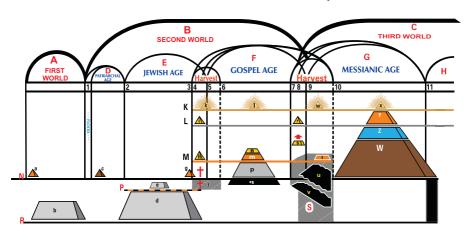
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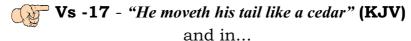
Yes! The **"invisible"** phase of the kingdom is pictured from chapter **38:1** till **40:5.** 

There we have these words of **Job** in **chapter 40** and **Vs- 5** - "Once have I spoken; but I will not answer; Yea., twice; but I will proceed no further."

Yes! This represents the **END** of the SECOND DISPENSATION - - the "dotted line"#10 on the chart... which is the point of time, where "heaven and earth will pass away"(Matthew 24: 35).

The **SECOND** "heaven and earth".... "yea, twice"!





Vs-18 - "His bones are as tubes of brass" (NIV/ASV)

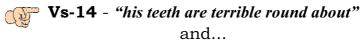
...we see this is a **ELEPHANT** like creature, with the above verse references referring to the **TRUNK** and the **TUSKS**. In fact we strongly are of the opinion that this is a reference to -

**THE MAMMOTH**, which was the **earliest ancestor** of the present day elephant and which is **extinct** now. It is now familiarly depicted in the children's movie series - "**ICE AGE**".

Chapter 41 - "the leviathan" -

From the description of this creature all through this whole chapter, and specially...





Vs-15 - "scales are his pride shut up together as with a close seal"

and....

**Vs-21** - "His breath kindleth coals, and a flame goeth out of his mouth"

and....

Vs-22 - "In his neck remaineth strength"

....we see this is a **DINOSAUR** being referred to over here - its TEETH, SCALY SKIN, FORK LIKE TONGUE and its STRONG NECK. In fact we are strongly convinced that this is not just any dinosaur... but a particularly fearsome one -

#### THE TYRANNOSAURUS REX

....or the **T-REX** in short as it is referred to today!

We are convinced of this through **Vs-34** - "he is a king over all the children of pride"...

Yes! "Rex" means king and "Tyrannosaurus" being related to "tyrant", certainly takes in that reference to pride!

This particular dinosaur is now made very familiar in the movie series -

### "JURASSIC PARK"

Now both the **"mammoth"** and the **"T-Rex"** were one of those earliest... and perhaps grandest creations on the earth.

These are representative of the **TWO** earliest and grandest creations of God in the Universe .....and in the **SPIRIT PLANE** - the **TWO** "morning stars" (Job 38:7)

God points to these two creatures as symbolic of "Micheal" and "Lucifer" and refers Job (mankind) to "behold"... as in STUDYING the vital lessons to be learnt in CHARACTER and its development as illustrated in these two greatest creations of God.

Job 40:15 – "Behold now behemoth" - the opening of the 'eyes' of understanding to behold "the glory of God" – His beloved Son, the "beginning of the creation of God" – known as Michael in heaven, the archangel, and how in obediently doing the will of God through humiliation and self denial he became Jesus, on earth, the saviour of all mankind.

### And... then...

Job 41:1 – "Canst thou draw out leviathan with an hook?"

Oh! Yes! That "fallen morning star" – the bright one – **LUCIFER** – who through pride and exalting self, rebelled against doing the will of God, became the INVISIBLE "god of this world"

The "prince" of darkness,

The adversary of God – Satan

# Ah! What more can we say?

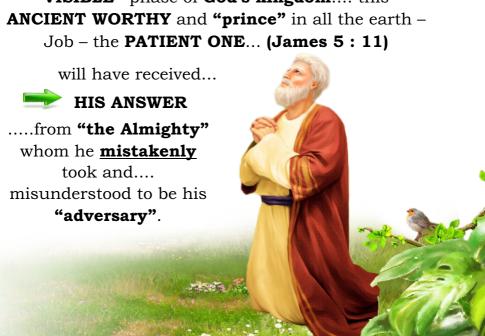
Indeed this book is special! And how beautifully it has been packaged!

## LIKE A MOST EXQUISITE AND COLORFULLY HAND WRAPPED GIFT!

And... indeed it is JUST THAT! We believe it is **FIRST** for Job who......

- wished God would "hear me"
- and expressed.. a "desire"...
- seeking for... "the Almighty would answer me" and...
- Yes!..."that mine adversary had written a book" (Job 31:35)

Yes! One day, in the resurrection and.... "the **VISIBLE"** phase of **God's kingdom**.... this Job - the **PATIENT ONE**... (James 5:11)



# Yes! The "Book" of JOB!

Perhaps the response of Job himself to this book when he receives and reads it will be -

"Job!... Oh! What a book"!

Amen!
(May the LORD add His blessings....)

