

Ketouvim (hagiographes) - Job

Chapter 23

- 23,1 {S} Then Job answered and said:
- 23,2 Even to-day is my complaint bitter; my hand is become heavy because of my groaning.
- 23,3 Oh that I knew where I might find Him, that I might come even to His seat! {S} Then Job answered and said:
- 23,4 I would order my cause before Him, and fill my mouth with arguments.
- 23,5 I would know the words which He would answer me, and understand what He would say unto me.
- 23,6 Would He contend with me in His great power? Nay; but He would give heed unto me.
- 23,7 There the upright might reason with Him; so should I be delivered for ever from my Judge.
- 23,8 Behold, I go forward, but He is not there, and backward, but I cannot perceive Him;
- 23,9 On the left hand, when He doth work, but I cannot behold Him, He turneth Himself to the right hand, but I cannot see Him.
- 23,10 For He knoweth the way that I take; when He hath tried me, I shall come forth as gold.
- 23,11 My foot hath held fast to His steps, His way have I kept, and turned not aside.
- 23,12 I have not gone back from the commandment of His lips; I have treasured up the words of His mouth more than my necessary food.
- 23,13 But He is at one with Himself, and who can turn Him? And what His soul desireth, even that He doeth.
- 23,14 For He will perform that which is appointed for me; and many such things are with Him.
- 23,15 Therefore am I affrighted at His presence; when I consider, I am afraid of Him.
- 23,16 Yea, God hath made my heart faint, and the Almighty hath affrighted me;
- 23,17 Because I was not cut off before the darkness, neither did He cover the thick darkness from my face.