

## Ketouvim (hagiographes) - Job

## **Chapter 24**

- 24,1 Why are times not laid up by the Almighty? And why do not they that know Him see His days?
- 24,2 There are that remove the landmarks; they violently take away flocks, and feed them.
- 24,3 They drive away the ass of the fatherless, they take the widow's ox for a pledge.
- 24,4 They turn the needy out of the way; the poor of the earth hide themselves together.
- 24,5 Behold, as wild asses in the wilderness they go forth to their work, seeking diligently for food; the desert yieldeth them bread for their children.
- 24,6 They cut his provender in the field; and they despoil the vineyard of the wicked.
- 24,7 They lie all night naked without clothing, and have no covering in the cold.
- 24,8 They are wet with the showers of the mountains, and embrace the rock for want of a shelter.
- 24,9 There are that pluck the fatherless from the breast, and take a pledge of the poor;
- 24,10 So that they go about naked without clothing, and being hungry they carry the sheaves;
- 24,11 They make oil within the rows of these men; they tread their winepresses, and suffer thirst.
- 24,12 From out of the populous city men groan, and the soul of the wounded crieth out; yet God imputeth it not for unseemliness.
- 24,13 These are of them that rebel against the light; they know not the ways thereof, nor abide in the paths thereof.
- 24,14 The murderer riseth with the light, to kill the poor and needy; and in the night he is as a thief.
- 24,15 The eye also of the adulterer waiteth for the twilight, saying: 'No eye shall see me'; and he putteth a covering on his face.
- 24,16 In the dark they dig through houses; they shut themselves up in the day-time; they know not the light.
- 24,17 For the shadow of death is to all of them as the morning; for they know the terrors of the shadow of death.
- 24,18 He is swift upon the face of the waters; their portion is cursed in the earth; he turneth not by the way of the vineyards.
- 24,19 Drought and heat consume the snow waters; so doth the nether-world those that have sinned.
- 24,20 The womb forgetteth him; the worm feedeth sweetly on him; he shall be no more remembered; and unrighteousness is broken as a tree.
- 24,21 He devoureth the barren that beareth not; and doeth not good to the widow.
- 24,22 He draweth away the mighty also by his power; he riseth up, and he trusteth not his own life.
- 24,23 Though it be given him to be in safety, whereon he resteth, yet His eyes are upon their ways.
- 24,24 They are exalted for a little while, and they are gone; yea, they are brought low, they are gathered in as all others, and wither as the tops of the ears of corn.
- 24,25 And if it be not so now, who will prove me a liar, and make my speech nothing worth?