January 12/Day 12

<u>Job 32</u>

Verses 1-5

- Job has just made His case before God. He's laying it out in case he's missed anything. His friends thought he was being self-righteous. Would you, if you had heard this?
- Why was Elihu angry?
- Why was Job angry?
- What do you find out about the age of the friends here?
- Sometimes people think they know better than you because they are older, and while sometimes more life experiences have given an older person insight, it is also true there are older people who are not wise. Age is not an indicator of wisdom. 1 Timothy 4:12, "Let no one look down on your youthfulness, but rather in speech, conduct, love, faith and purity, show yourself an example of those who believe."
- God said Job was a righteous and blameless man, yet Job got angry. There are people who will tell you anger is a sin. Jesus turned over the money tables in the temple because He was angry, yet Jesus was sinless. So, is anger a sin. At what point can anger become a sin?

Verse 6

• This verse does not contradict the previous passage. Elihu is being facetious and sarcastic.

Verses 7-19

• A wineskin would burst if it is unvented because the fermentation process creates gases.

Verses 20-22

<u>Job 33</u>

• Although it's a new chapter, Elihu still speaks.

Verses 1-6

Now Elihu will claim to speak for God.

Verses 7-8

• Elihu will now speak as if God is saying He heard Job.

Verses 9-11

• Notice apparently there were devices of restraint in the beginning.

Verses 12-19

- Chastening is punishment. Does God use pain to punish?
- Proverbs 16:24, "Pleasant words are a honeycomb, Sweet to the soul and healing to the bones."

Verse 20

• They had bread in the beginning and apparently there were many foods from which to choose, at least enough from which to choose a favorite.

Verses 21-23

• 1 Timothy 2:5, "For there is one God, and one mediator also between God and men, the man Christ Jesus."

Verse 24

• Mark 10:45, "For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many."

Verses 25-33

<u>Iob 34</u>

Verses 1-3

• Have we trained out ears to test words? It is said anyone will believe a lie if they hear it enough.

Verses 4-7

• Derision is another way to say he was being mocked and ridiculed.

Verses 8-10

- He's saying Job is being punished by God. According to what we've seen, is this true?
- Have you ever been tested by God and your friends accused you of being punished by God?

Verses 11-19

• Acts 10:34, "Opening his mouth, Peter said: "I most certainly understand now that God is not one to show partiality."

Verse 20

• Death doesn't discriminate.

Verses 21-30

- When godless men rule, what happens to the people?
- A snare is a trap.

Verses 31-37

- 1 Samuel 15:23, "For rebellion is as the sin of divination, and insubordination is as iniquity and idolatry. Because you have rejected the word of the LORD, He has also rejected you from being king." Divination is witchcraft which was punishable by death. Ever heard of a divining rod, which is supposed to supernaturally point a person to water? This is where that word comes from. Insubordination can also be translated arrogance.
- Job has been accused of rebellion. Is Job rebellious? Has he spoken against God? Or has he simply acknowledged God's capabilities?

See you tomorrow.