



The Gospel According to Job

September 20: Job 36: Elihu and God's Greatness

A Bible Study at St. John Lutheran Church

Elihu's Speeches:

1. Job 32:6-33:33
2. Job 34:1-37
3. Job 35:1-16
4. Job 36:1-37:24

How has God chosen to deal with the unrepentant? With the repentant?

Ezekiel 3:21 But if you warn the righteous person not to sin, and he does not sin, he shall surely live, because he took warning, and you will have delivered your soul.

Job 36:1-4

What does Elihu ask of Job?

What does Elihu claim for himself?

Job 1:8 And the LORD said to Satan, "Have you considered my servant Job, that there is none like him on the earth, a *blameless* and upright man, who fears God and turns away from evil?"

Job 36:5-7

What is God like?

What is the nature of God's dealings with humanity?

What kind of parallelism do we see in verse 6, synonymous or antithetical?

Job 36:8-10

What do chains and affliction mean to Elihu?

What has Job been missing in his affliction?

Job 36:11-12

What happens when we listen to God? When we don't listen?

Deuteronomy 4:30 When you are in tribulation, and all these things come upon you in the latter days, you will return to the LORD your God and obey his voice.

Job 36:13-16

What is the condition of the godless heart?

Romans 2:5 But because of your hard and impenitent heart you are storing up wrath for yourself on the day of wrath when God's righteous judgment will be revealed.

What is the purpose of affliction?

Job 36:17-23

What is Job's spiritual condition? What advice does Elihu give to Job?

Does God have any legitimate critics? What are the answers to Elihu's rhetorical questions?

Isaiah 40:13-14 Who has measured the Spirit of the LORD, or what man shows him his counsel? Whom did he consult, and who made him understand? Who taught him the path of justice, and taught him knowledge, and showed him the way of understanding?

Job 36:24-28

What does Elihu invite Job to remember?

How does Elihu describe God's greatness?

Job 36:29-33

What does God do with His creation?

Psalms 19:1-2 The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork. Day to day pours out speech, and night to night reveals knowledge.