

Job 40-41 – Summary Thoughts

See Dr Ruckman's commentaries *The Book of Job* pp 589-615, *The Book of Revelation* pp 291-300, the *Ruckman Reference Bible* pp 2, 26, 28-29, 543, 710, 766, 768-771, 778, 780, 802, 807, 818-819, 825, 839, 922, 1096, 1108, 1110, 1149-1150, 1222, 1652, 1655 and *Mark of the Beast* by Dr Peter S. Ruckman for detailed comment.

Introduction

As indicated in **Job 38, 39 – Summary Thoughts**, this writer has concluded that God is mainly addressing Satan through Job in Job 38, 39. See with respect to remarks on Job 38:1, 2.

Job 38:1-18 based upon **Study Questions, Job 38:1-18** with sample answers

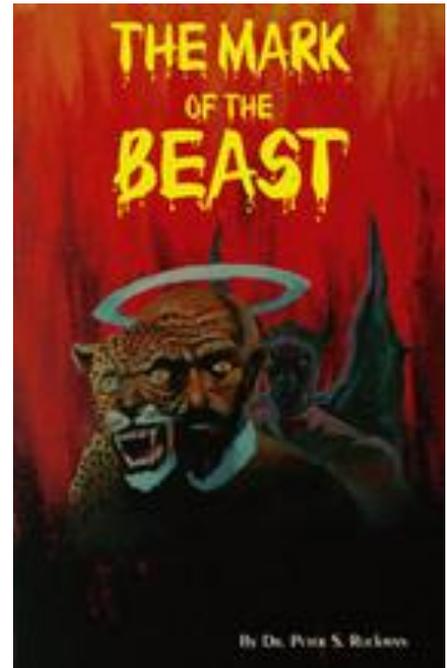
God's Answer to Job's Complaint, Job 7:11-21

Job 40, 41 however indicate a transition in addressees. God continues to address Satan through Job in Job 40 but He also addresses Job directly. God addresses Job directly in Job 41 and not Satan *but Satan will hear very word*.

Having addressed Satan's unfitness to reign via his would-be usurpation of God's throne, Isaiah 14:12, the ultimate, violent end of Satan's pretensions to reign on earth via the beast, Revelation 13, 19:11-21 and Satan's ultimate end via the typology of Job, see remarks on Job 38:1, 2, the Lord now addresses Job 40, 41:

- *Satan's audacity and Job's self-righteousness*, Job 40:1-5
- *Job's impotence in the face of God's omnipotence*, Job 40:6-14. See also **Job 37:14-20** "*consider the wondrous works of God*" Job 37:14 with Job 37:16 www.timefortruth.co.uk/alan-oreilly/ Job 35-37 – *Summary Thoughts*
- *Behemoth's vulnerability to His Creator*, Job 40:15-24
- *Leviathan's hopelessness*, "*naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do*" Hebrews 4:13, Job 41.

The above points will now be addressed with respect to the themes described in remarks on Job 38:1, 2. **Job 40-41 – Summary Thoughts** will be a brief study by comparison with its immediate predecessors but it is hoped that in addition to the detailed material that the Lord has shown Dr Ruckman, see references above, essential insights will be given to the reader to "*war a good warfare*" 1 Timothy 1:18 with 2 Corinthians 10:3-5 "*For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh: (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;)* *Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ.*"



Job 40:1-23

Satan's audacity and Job's self-righteousness, Job 40:1-5

Job 40:1-5. *"Shall he that contendeth with the Almighty instruct him?"* Job 40:2.

"Moreover the LORD answered Job, and said, Shall he that contendeth with the Almighty instruct him? he that reproveth God, let him answer it. Then Job answered the LORD, and said, Behold, I am vile; what shall I answer thee? I will lay mine hand upon my mouth. Once have I spoken; but I will not answer: yea, twice; but I will proceed no further" Job 40:1-5.

Note again remarks on Job 38:1, 2 with respect to whom God is addressing. Observe that Job answers truthfully for his self-righteous Job 13:15, 16:17, 27:6 with Job 32:1, 35:2, 40:8 but Job did not actually contend with God – he has not been able to address God directly until Job 40:3-5 – much less reprove him.

"If he will contend with him, he cannot answer him one of a thousand" Job 9:3.

However, the devil in his audacity did both.

"Then Satan answered the LORD, and said, Doth Job fear God for nought? Hast not thou made an hedge about him, and about his house, and about all that he hath on every side? thou hast blessed the work of his hands, and his substance is increased in the land. But put forth thine hand now, and touch all that he hath, and he will curse thee to thy face" Job 1:9-11.

"And Satan answered the LORD, and said, Skin for skin, yea, all that a man hath will he give for his life. But put forth thine hand now, and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse thee to thy face" Job 2:4-5.

Satan, it should be noted, does not answer God as Job does. His proud heart won't let him because **"His heart is as firm as a stone; yea, as hard as a piece of the nether millstone...he is a king over all the children of pride"** Job 41:24, 34.

Moreover, in spite of his fall and casting out, Isaiah 14:9, 12, 15, Ezekiel 28:16-19, Satan shows further his unfitness to reign because he does not know how to conduct himself before a king.

"The wrath of a king is as messengers of death: but a wise man will pacify it" Proverbs 16:14.

Today's believer should therefore follow the exhortations of Solomon, James and Peter.

*For example, in the light of the devil's fall and casting out, don't try to usurp the Book that God has exalted above all His name, Psalm 138:2, because **"God is no respecter of persons"** Acts 10:34.*

"The fear of the LORD is to hate evil: pride, and arrogance, and the evil way, and the froward mouth, do I hate" Proverbs 8:13 with Job 1:9-11, 2:4-5.

"But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble" James 4:6.

"Likewise, ye younger, submit yourselves unto the elder. Yea, all of you be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble. Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time" 1 Peter 5:5-6.

Job's impotence in the face of God's omnipotence, Job 40:6-14

Job 40:6-14. *"Gird up thy loins now like a man: I will demand of thee, and declare thou unto me"* Job 40:7.

"Then answered the LORD unto Job out of the whirlwind, and said, Gird up thy loins now like a man: I will demand of thee, and declare thou unto me. Wilt thou also disannul my judgment? wilt thou condemn me, that thou mayest be righteous?" Job 40:6-8.

God in Job 40:7 repeats what He said in Job 38:3 ***“Gird up now thy loins like a man; for I will demand of thee, and answer thou me.”*** Again, see remarks on Job 38:1, 2 but Job 40:6 states ***“Then answered the LORD unto Job out of the whirlwind, and said,”*** indicating that Job, not Satan is the main addressee in what follows although Job 40:9-14 has application to Satan as will be shown.

Job 40:8 is as indicated God’s response to Job’s self-righteousness Job 13:15, 16:17, 27:6 with Job 32:1, 35:2 but it is also God’s answer to Job’s *aspiration* that he never fulfilled to *dispute* with God as Job perceived on an equal footing.

“Oh that I knew where I might find him! that I might come even to his seat! I would order my cause before him, and fill my mouth with arguments. I would know the words which he would answer me, and understand what he would say unto me. Will he plead against me with his great power? No; but he would put strength in me. There the righteous might dispute with him; so should I be delivered for ever from my judge” Job 23:3-7.

That was the outcome of Job’s self-righteousness and it was the downfall of the devil who though *not* ***“being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God”*** Philippians 2:6. God therefore said to the devil ***“Thine heart was lifted up because of thy beauty, thou hast corrupted thy wisdom by reason of thy brightness: I will cast thee to the ground, I will lay thee before kings, that they may behold thee”*** Ezekiel 28:17. Job had said ***“Behold, I am vile...”*** Job 40:4 and that is how God will make the devil to the dismay them that ***“worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast”*** Revelation 13:4.

“I will also vex the hearts of many people, when I shall bring thy destruction among the nations, into the countries which thou hast not known. Yea, I will make many people amazed at thee, and their kings shall be horribly afraid for thee, when I shall brandish my sword before them; and they shall tremble at every moment, every man for his own life, in the day of thy fall” Ezekiel 32:9-10.

God’s aim is not that Job should fall as Satan but that he be raised up from his ordeal and be again ***“chief...as a king in the army”*** Job 29:25 according to Psalm 113:7 ***“He raiseth up the poor out of the dust, and lifteth the needy out of the dunghill. That he may set him with princes, even with the princes of his people”*** after the manner of God’s exaltation of the Lord Jesus Christ which should be an encouragement to today’s believer.

“Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father” Philippians 2:9-11.

God therefore answers Job as He does in Job 40:9-14, to show that:

- None can dispute with God after the manner of Job 23:7
- Satan will suffer humiliation like Job’s *permanently* as Job in his despair said ***“I have said to corruption, Thou art my father: to the worm, Thou art my mother, and my sister”*** Job 17:14 and God said of Satan ***“...the worm is spread under thee, and the worms cover thee”*** Isaiah 14:11.

Job, therefore, and Satan do not ***“have an arm like God”*** and cannot ***“thunder with a voice like his”*** Job 40:9. In Satan’s case ***“the high arm shall be broken”*** Job 38:15. See ***Job 38-39 – Summary Thoughts*** and remarks on Job 38:15 and Zechariah 11:17 under ***Notes***, Note 6 and ***Job 38:12-18. God’s Righteousness in Judgement.***

The devil’s ***“own right hand”*** Job 40:14 *cannot* save him because as God says to Ezekiel ***“Son of man, I have broken the arm of Pharaoh king of Egypt; and, lo, it shall not be bound up to be healed, to put a roller to bind it, to make it strong to hold the sword. Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I am against Pharaoh king of Egypt, and will break his arms, the strong, and that which was broken; and I will cause the sword to fall out of his hand”*** Ezekiel 30:21-22.

Strictly speaking, Ezekiel 30:21-22 refer to **“the beast which...was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority”** Revelation 13:2 but the beast’s defeat is followed inexorably by the binding, consigning and inevitable final damnation of the devil so the breakage of the beast’s arms is as the permanent breaking of the devil’s counterfeit **“right hand of power”** Matthew 26:64, Mark 14:62. No doubt that is why God breaks Pharaoh’s arms.

Job has no **“majesty and excellency”** or **“glory and beauty”** Job 40:10 because he testifies that **“I am become like dust and ashes”** Job 30:19 and the devil lost his because God said to him **“thou hast sinned: therefore I will cast thee as profane out of the mountain of God: and I will destroy thee, O covering cherub, from the midst of the stones of fire”** Ezekiel 28:16.

Job has no **“rage of thy wrath”** Job 40:11 by which he could **“Look on every one that is proud, and bring him low; and tread down the wicked in their place”** Job 40: 12 and having **“become like dust and ashes”** Job 30:19 he cannot **“Hide them in the dust together; and bind their faces in secret”** Job 40:13.

The devil’s ability to do so is limited **“for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time”** Revelation 12:12. Though the devil will distress the tribulation saints of the End Times and even God’s saints now suffering under Catholic, Marxist and Mohammedan regimes to the point where they cry in their distress **“For our soul is bowed down to the dust: our belly cleaveth unto the earth”** Psalm 44:25, it is *the devil* who will be trodden down at the Second Advent. That should be a comfort to today’s believer.

“Thou shalt tread upon the lion and adder: the young lion and the dragon shalt thou trample under feet” Psalm 91:13.

Behemoth’s vulnerability to His Creator, Job 40:15-24

Job 40:15-24. “Behold now behemoth, which I made with thee” Job 40:15.

“Behold now behemoth, which I made with thee; he eateth grass as an ox. Lo now, his strength is in his loins, and his force is in the navel of his belly. He moveth his tail like a cedar: the sinews of his stones are wrapped together. His bones are as strong pieces of brass; his bones are like bars of iron. He is the chief of the ways of God: he that made him can make his sword to approach unto him” Job 40:15-19.

“behemoth” is a plural creature because he is associated with *beasts*, plural. **“Surely the mountains bring him forth food, where all the beasts of the field play”** Job 40:20. Lucifer is the main addressee in Job 40:15 because God said **“behemoth...I made with thee,”** who cannot be Job because Behemoth must pre-date Adam, Genesis 2:7, as one among **“principalities...powers...the rulers of the darkness of this world...spiritual wickedness in high places”** Ephesians 6:12 that fell with Lucifer, Isaiah 14:12 such that Genesis 1:8 states **“And God called the firmament Heaven. And the evening and the morning were the second day”** without the addition of **“God saw that it was good”** Genesis 1:10, 12, 18, 21, 25. The **“principalities...powers...the rulers of the darkness of this world...spiritual wickedness in high places”** Ephesians 6:12 pre-date Genesis 1:2 and are therefore not included in the summary statement for God’s creation of Genesis 1:2-30 **“And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, it was very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day”** Genesis 1:31.

God said of Lucifer and by extension according to Job 40:15 the creature that is now Behemoth **“Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee”** Ezekiel 28:15.

“behemoth” is therefore **“the beast which...was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority”** Revelation 13:2 i.e. a plural beast directly associated with Lucifer but also in his earthly manifestation **“the man of the earth”** Psalm 10:18 i.e. 666, **“that man of sin...the son of**

perdition” 2 Thessalonians 2:3 noting that “the number of the beast...is the number of a man; and his number is Six hundred threescore and six” Revelation 13:18.

“behemoth...eateth grass as an ox” Job 40:15 because as the elders of Moab warned their people “And Moab said unto the elders of Midian, Now shall this company lick up all that are round about us, as the ox licketh up the grass of the field. And Balak the son of Zippor was king of the Moabites at that time” Numbers 22:4 Behemoth will fulfil King David’s grim prophecy of the great tribulation of the End times of the literal cannibalistic Catholic mass.

“Have all the workers of iniquity no knowledge? who eat up my people as they eat bread, and call not upon the LORD” Psalm 14:4 with Psalm 53:4.

“...his strength is in his loins, and his force is in the navel of his belly. He moveth his tail like a cedar: the sinews of his stones are wrapped together” Job 40:16-17 shows that as among those “who...call not upon the Lord” Psalm 14:4 the strength of Behemoth is in his lower viscera. That is, he is not among those who would testify as Moses, King David, Isaiah, Jeremiah and Habakkuk do that:

“The LORD is my strength and song, and he is become my salvation: he is my God, and I will prepare him an habitation; my father’s God, and I will exalt him” Exodus 15:2.

“God is my strength and power: and he maketh my way perfect” 2 Samuel 22:33.

“The LORD is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust; my buckler, and the horn of my salvation, and my high tower” Psalm 18:2.

“It is God that girdeth me with strength, and maketh my way perfect” Psalm 18:32.

“The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? the LORD is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?” Psalm 27:1.

“The LORD is my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in him, and I am helped: therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth; and with my song will I praise him. The LORD is their strength, and he is the saving strength of his anointed” Psalm 28:7-8.

“But the salvation of the righteous is of the LORD: he is their strength in the time of trouble” Psalm 37:39 i.e. “even the time of Jacob’s trouble; but he shall be saved out of it” Jeremiah 30:7.

“God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble” Psalm 46:1.

“I will go in the strength of the Lord GOD: I will make mention of thy righteousness, even of thine only” Psalm 71:16.

“The LORD is my strength and song, and is become my salvation” Psalm 118:14.

“Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid: for the LORD JEHOVAH is my strength and my song; he also is become my salvation” Isaiah 12:2.

“Trust ye in the LORD for ever: for in the LORD JEHOVAH is everlasting strength” Isaiah 26:4.

“O LORD, my strength, and my fortress, and my refuge in the day of affliction, the Gentiles shall come unto thee from the ends of the earth, and shall say, Surely our fathers have inherited lies, vanity, and things wherein there is no profit” Jeremiah 16:19 with Jeremiah 30:7.

“The LORD God is my strength, and he will make my feet like hinds’ feet, and he will make me to walk upon mine high places. To the chief singer on my stringed instruments” Habakkuk 3:19.

Behemoth with his strength in his lower viscera instead of in God therefore pictures in his earthly manifestation “the worst of the heathen” Ezekiel 7:24 yet to whom God *can and does* give an earthly kingdom.

“This matter is by the decree of the watchers, and the demand by the word of the holy ones: to the intent that the living may know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will, and setteth up over it the basest of men” Daniel 4:17.

“And the devil, taking him up into an high mountain, shewed unto him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. And the devil said unto him, All this power will I give thee, and the glory of them: for that is delivered unto me; and to whomsoever I will I give it” Luke 4:5-6.

Behemoth in his earthly manifestation is the last pope **“that man of sin...the son of perdition”** 2 Thessalonians 2:3 i.e. Judas Iscariot **“a devil”** John 6:70 and **“the son of perdition”** John 17:12. See *Mark of the Beast* by Dr Peter S. Ruckman. King David, King Solomon and the apostle John describe the end of **“the son of perdition”** John 17:12, which should be an encouragement to today’s believer. These scriptures emphasise Behemoth’s vulnerability to his creator.

“God shall likewise destroy thee for ever, he shall take thee away, and pluck thee out of thy dwelling place, and root thee out of the land of the living. Selah. The righteous also shall see, and fear, and shall laugh at him: Lo, this is the man that made not God his strength; but trusted in the abundance of his riches, and strengthened himself in his wickedness” Psalm 52:5-7. See www.timefortruth.co.uk/alan-oreilly/ *Job 1 – Summary Thoughts* with respect to **“Selah”** Psalm 52:5 and the Second Advent.

“The way of the LORD is strength to the upright; but destruction shall be to the workers of iniquity” Proverbs 10:29 with Psalm 14:4, 53:4.

“And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone. And the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which sword proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh” Revelation 19:20-21.

“His bones are as strong pieces of brass; his bones are like bars of iron” Job 40:18 reveal both Behemoth’s immense resilience and his stark vulnerability before God.

“For he hath broken the gates of brass, and cut the bars of iron in sunder” Psalm 107:16.

“I will go before thee, and make the crooked places straight: I will break in pieces the gates of brass, and cut in sunder the bars of iron” Isaiah 45:2.

Able to break and cut asunder brass gates and iron bars, the Lord with His army at the Second Advent Joel 2:11 will break Behemoth’s bones and cut them asunder together with those of his allies as Daniel and Malachi have prophesied.

“...I beheld even till the beast was slain, and his body destroyed, and given to the burning flame” Daniel 7:11.

“And ye shall tread down the wicked; for they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet in the day that I shall do this, saith the LORD of hosts” Malachi 4:3.

“He is the chief of the ways of God: he that made him can make his sword to approach unto him” Job 40:19.

“the chief of the ways of God” in the context are what the froward get according to what they ask for **“...for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap”** Galatians 6:7.



“And the LORD said unto Samuel, Harken unto the voice of the people in all that they say unto thee: for they have not rejected thee, but they have rejected me, that I should not reign over them”
1 Samuel 8:7.

See www.thecommentator.com/article/4595/holocaust_amnesia.

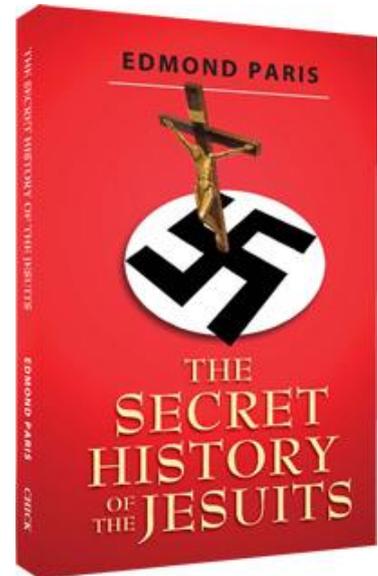
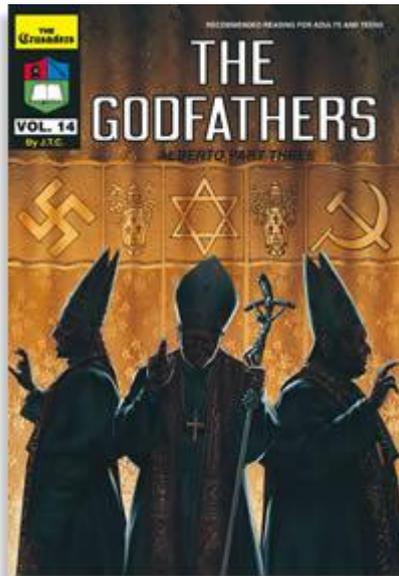
“With the pure thou wilt shew thyself pure; and with the froward thou wilt shew thyself unsaveyry” 2 Samuel 22:27.

“With the pure thou wilt shew thyself pure; and with the froward thou wilt shew thyself froward”
Psalm 18:26.

John the apostle records Israel’s rejection of God as King in the leaders’ rejection of the Lord Jesus Christ in favour of Caesar. Israel got Caesar **“the chief of the ways of God”** Job 40:19 **“the man of the earth”** Psalm 10:18 and has had Caesar as king since then, with all that followed. See www.chick.com/default.asp *The Godfathers* and *The Secret History of the Jesuits* by Edmond Paris.

“But they cried out, Away with him, away with him, crucify him. Pilate saith unto them, Shall I crucify your King? The chief priests answered, We have no king but Caesar” John 19:15.

Israel in the great tribulation of the End Times is then deceived into making an evil covenant with Behemoth the beast in his earthly manifestation i.e. today’s Caesar just as Israel’s leaders covenanted with Judas Iscariot **“the son of perdition”** John 17:12 against the Lord Jesus Christ.



“Then one of the twelve, called Judas Iscariot, went unto the chief priests, And said unto them, What will ye give me, and I will deliver him unto you? And they covenanted with him for thirty pieces of silver” Matthew 26:14-15.

Isaiah and Daniel describe Israel’s End Times covenant with Caesar and its violent end that should encourage today’s believer.

“Wherefore hear the word of the LORD, ye scornful men, that rule this people which is in Jerusalem. Because ye have said, We have made a covenant with death, and with hell are we at agreement; when the overflowing scourge shall pass through, it shall not come unto us: for we have made lies our refuge, and under falsehood have we hid ourselves” Isaiah 28:14-15, **“Death, and Hell”** Revelation 6:8 being the pale horse riders that bring God’s judgement on the earth in the End Times of which God says **“And I will punish the world for their evil, and the wicked for their iniquity; and I will cause the arrogancy of the proud to cease, and will lay low the haughtiness of the terrible”** Isaiah 13:11.

“Judgment also will I lay to the line, and righteousness to the plummet: and the hail shall sweep away the refuge of lies, and the waters shall overflow the hiding place. And your covenant with death shall be disannulled, and your agreement with hell shall not stand; when the overflowing scourge shall pass through, then ye shall be trodden down by it” Isaiah 28:17-18.

“And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall

make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate” Daniel 9:27. Paul explains Daniel 9:27 with respect to the covenant maker and breaker.

“Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God...And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming” 2 Thessalonians 2:3-4, 8.

So ends “the chief of the ways of God” Job 40:19 “that the man of the earth may no more oppress” Psalm 10:18.

“he that made him can make his sword to approach unto him” Job 40:19 and the Lord Jesus Christ does at the Second Advent just as He violently terminates Israel’s “covenant with death.” See remarks above with respect to the end of “the chief of the ways of God” Job 40:19.

“his sword” has both a Second Advent and present-day spiritual application as will be show.

“For by fire and by his sword will the LORD plead with all flesh: and the slain of the LORD shall be many” Isaiah 66:16.

“And I will fill his mountains with his slain men: in thy hills, and in thy valleys, and in all thy rivers, shall they fall that are slain with the sword” Ezekiel 35:8.

“The horseman lifteth up both the bright sword and the glittering spear: and there is a multitude of slain, and a great number of carcasses; and there is none end of their corpses; they stumble upon their corpses” Nahum 3:3.

“Ye Ethiopians also, ye shall be slain by my sword” Zephaniah 2:12.

“And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone. And the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which sword proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh” Revelation 19:20-21.

That is the Second Advent application of “the sword of the LORD” Judges 7:18, 20, 1 Chronicles 21:12, Isaiah 34:6, Jeremiah 12:12 especially with respect to the Lord wielding it at the Second Advent. The spiritual application for today’s believer is as follows. This is the 1611 Holy Bible that will keep at bay “the chief of the ways of God” Job 40:19 “the man of the earth” Psalm 10:18 just as the children of Israel could not bear “the voice of words; which voice they that heard intreated that the word should not be spoken to them any more” Hebrews 12:19 with Exodus 20:19.

“And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God” Ephesians 6:17.

“For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do” Hebrews 4:12-13 with Job 40:18 with respect to the bones of brass and iron.

“Surely the mountains bring him forth food, where all the beasts of the field play. He lieth under the shady trees, in the covert of the reed, and fens. The shady trees cover him with their shadow; the willows of the brook compass him about” Job 40:20-22.

See remarks above on Job 40:20 with respect to “the beasts of the field” plural that point to Behemoth as a plural creature. Note that “the field is the world” as the Lord Jesus Christ said.

“The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked one” Matthew 13:38 among them Behemoth in his earthly manifestation as **“that man of sin...the son of perdition”** 2 Thessalonians 2:3 **“And the ten horns which thou sawest...ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast”** Revelation 17:12.

“all the beasts of the field play” just as in **“this great and wide sea...there is that leviathan, whom thou hast made to play therein”** Psalm 104:25-26, leviathan of Psalm 104:26 being of the **“great whales”** Genesis 1:21 and the type of leviathan of Job 41:9 **“Behold, the hope of him is in vain: shall not one be cast down even at the sight of him?”** who is the devil himself typified by a world ruler, Luke 4:5-6, such as **“Pharaoh king of Egypt...as a whale in the seas”** Ezekiel 32:2.

The play of Behemoth in his earthly manifestation on earth or sport and that of leviathan or Satan of Job 41 creates a lot of mischief as scripture testifies.

“It is as sport to a fool to do mischief: but a man of understanding hath wisdom” Proverbs 10:23.

“Against whom do ye sport yourselves? against whom make ye a wide mouth, and draw out the tongue? are ye not children of transgression, a seed of falsehood” Isaiah 57:4 with Daniel 7:25, Psalm 37:28, 1 John 3:10, 12, Revelation 13:5-6.

“Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time” Revelation 12:12.

“Surely the mountains bring him forth food” Job 40:20 and indeed they do in the great tribulation of the End Times in view of Psalm 14:4 **“Have all the workers of iniquity no knowledge? who eat up my people as they eat bread, and call not upon the LORD”** as Jeremiah and the Lord Himself prophesied and warned.

“Our persecutors are swifter than the eagles of the heaven: they pursued us upon the mountains, they laid wait for us in the wilderness” Lamentations 4:19.

“When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:) Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains” Matthew 24:15-16 with Mark 13:14, Luke 21:20-21, 2 Thessalonians 2:3-4.

“He lieth under the shady trees, in the covert of the reed, and fens. The shady trees cover him with their shadow; the willows of the brook compass him about” Job 40:21-22.

Behemoth in his earthly manifestation appears to enjoy tranquil, rural surroundings in between bouts of hunting down tribulation saints to be served up at Catholic cannibalistic masses, see above. The Lord will seriously disrupt that tranquillity in the great tribulation of the End Times with manifold environmental havoc that today’s conservationists could not envisage in their worst ecological nightmares.

“The first angel sounded, and there followed hail and fire mingled with blood, and they were cast upon the earth: and the third part of trees was burnt up, and all green grass was burnt up” Revelation 8:7.

“And the third angel sounded, and there fell a great star from heaven, burning as it were a lamp, and it fell upon the third part of the rivers, and upon the fountains of waters; And the name of the star is called Wormwood: and the third part of the waters became wormwood; and many men died of the waters, because they were made bitter” Revelation 8:10-11.

Behemoth in his earthly manifestation will therefore no doubt be apoplectic at the End Times ministry of God’s two witnesses Moses and Elijah, identified as such by the various components of their ministry, through whom God has exercised judgement that has shattered Behemoth’s tranquillity. Behemoth in his earthly manifestation will therefore be eager to destroy these witnesses. Today’s believer should nevertheless be encouraged by their testimony because God enabled them to finish

their work before the enemy was allowed to intervene as the Lord finished His work i.e. **“I have glorified thee on the earth: I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do”** John 17:4.

“And I will give power unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred and threescore days, clothed in sackcloth. These are the two olive trees, and the two candlesticks standing before the God of the earth. And if any man will hurt them, fire proceedeth out of their mouth, and devoureth their enemies: and if any man will hurt them, he must in this manner be killed. These have power to shut heaven, that it rain not in the days of their prophecy: and have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to smite the earth with all plagues, as often as they will. And when they shall have finished their testimony, the beast that ascendeth out of the bottomless pit shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and kill them” Revelation 11:3-7.

Today’s believer should therefore remember Paul’s exhortation to a young man. **“And say to Archippus, Take heed to the ministry which thou hast received in the Lord, that thou fulfil it”** Colossians 4:17.

“Behold, he drinketh up a river, and hasteth not: he trusteth that he can draw up Jordan into his mouth. He taketh it with his eyes: his nose pierceth through snares” Job 40:23-24.

Pharaoh typifies both the devil and the beast of Revelation 13 i.e. Behemoth in his earthly manifestation. As such, **“he drinketh up a river, and hasteth not”** by wallowing in the rivers of his own land i.e. Egypt a type of the world **“the iron furnace”** Deuteronomy 4:20, Jeremiah 11:4. That is, during the drought of three and a half years that Moses and Elijah impose, Luke 4:25, James 5:17-18, Revelation 11:3, 6, the beast seizes control of all remaining potable water supplies on earth and releases them only to those who serve him. Therefore **“all the world wondered after the beast. And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who is like unto the beast? who is able to make war with him?”** Revelation 13:3-4 i.e. no-one can without water.

Note that historically **“...Elijah the Tishbite, who was of the inhabitants of Gilead, said unto Ahab, As the LORD God of Israel liveth, before whom I stand, there shall not be dew nor rain these years, but according to my word”** 1 Kings 17:1.

However **“dew”** is not explicitly said to be withheld in Revelation 11:6 **“These have power to shut heaven, that it rain not in the days of their prophecy.”**

The Lord’s tribulation saints will therefore depend on **“the dew of heaven”** Genesis 27:28, 39, Daniel 4:15, 23, 25, 33, 5:21 for water *by putting out fleece*. It worked for Gideon. It should work again for Israel and other tribulation saints *as when God fed Israel of old, with dew in the context*.

“And when the dew fell upon the camp in the night, the manna fell upon it” Numbers 11:9.

“And it was so: for he rose up early on the morrow, and thrust the fleece together, and wringed the dew out of the fleece, a bowl full of water” Judges 6:38. Tribulation saints would be able to say that in God’s provision, the fleece gave us **“the water of life freely”** Revelation 21:6, 22:17. A fleece-bearing creature typified He Who said **“I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly”** John 10:10 because John the Baptist said of Him **“Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world”** John 1:29.

The prophet Micah speaks of God’s sustenance of Israel in the great tribulation of the End Times **“as in the days of old”** Micah 7:14.

“Feed thy people with thy rod, the flock of thine heritage, which dwell solitarily in the wood, in the midst of Carmel: let them feed in Bashan and Gilead, as in the days of old. According to the days of thy coming out of the land of Egypt will I shew unto him marvellous things” Micah 7:14-15.

The beast, as Job 40:23-24 indicates, covets the rich Jordan valley, the Jordan still in flow thanks to the Lord’s blessing **“As the dew of Hermon, and as the dew that descended upon the mountains of Zion: for there the LORD commanded the blessing, even life for evermore”** Psalm 133:3 including **“the water of life freely”** Revelation 21:6, 22:17:

www.biblicalhorizons.com/biblical-horizons/no-16-additional-reflections-on-the-dew-of-hermon/ and this extract, this writer’s emphases.

Mount Hermon...is located in far north of Israel, north of Dan and east of Tyre, nearly as far north as Damascus. It is one of the highest points in the region. Significantly, it is snow-capped, and the dew that descends on its heights is in marked contrast to the aridity of the surrounding areas. Additionally, Hermon is a major source of the Jordan River. When the ice caps thaw, water from Hermon flows down to water the whole land.



Mount Hermon

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The beast has surveyed the river Jordan *as Lot did* with his eyes i.e. **“he trusteth that he can draw up Jordan into his mouth. He taketh it with his eyes”** Job 40:24 and the beast trusts that he can swallow i.e. seize and secure Jordan and its fertile surrounds including **“the shady trees...the covert of the reed, and fens”** Job 40:21 as his own precious waterway to which he thinks that he is entitled because he is also **“thou, profane wicked prince of Israel”** Ezekiel 21:25 with Isaiah 28:14-18, see above, and he will have lost other water sources as Hosea explains.

“thou, profane wicked prince of Israel” Ezekiel 21:25 with Isaiah 28:14-18 is **“The iniquity of Ephraim...”** Hosea 13:12 and he will share in God’s judgement on Ephraim when **“an east wind shall come, the wind of the LORD shall come up from the wilderness, and his spring shall become dry, and his fountain shall be dried up...”** Hosea 13:12, 15.

The Lord prevents him as Ezekiel and John prophesied and the Lord has to use extreme force with *hooks*, not *snares* for the beast in particular because **“his nose pierceth through snares”** Job 40:24, taking his evil, anti-Semitic hangers-on with him.

That should be an encouragement to today’s believer.

“And Lot lifted up his eyes, and beheld all the plain of Jordan, that it was well watered every where, before the LORD destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah, even as the garden of the LORD, like the land of Egypt, as thou comest unto Zoar” Genesis 13:10.

“The LORD trieth the righteous: but the wicked and him that loveth violence his soul hateth. Upon the wicked he shall rain snares, fire and brimstone, and an horrible tempest: this shall be the portion of their cup” Psalm 11:5-6 i.e. *not the sought-after fresh water.*

“Son of man, set thy face against Pharaoh king of Egypt, and prophesy against him, and against all Egypt: Speak, and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I am against thee, Pharaoh king of Egypt, the great dragon that lieth in the midst of his rivers, which hath said, My river is mine own, and I have made it for myself. But I will put hooks in thy jaws, and I will cause the fish of thy rivers to stick unto thy scales, and I will bring thee up out of the midst of thy rivers, and all the fish of thy rivers shall stick unto thy scales. And I will leave thee thrown into the wilderness, thee and all the fish of thy rivers: thou shalt fall upon the open fields; thou shalt not be brought together,

nor gathered: I have given thee for meat to the beasts of the field and to the fowls of the heaven” Ezekiel 29:2-5.

“And, thou son of man, thus saith the Lord GOD; Speak unto every feathered fowl, and to every beast of the field, Assemble yourselves, and come; gather yourselves on every side to my sacrifice that I do sacrifice for you, even a great sacrifice upon the mountains of Israel, that ye may eat flesh, and drink blood. Ye shall eat the flesh of the mighty, and drink the blood of the princes of the earth, of rams, of lambs, and of goats, of bullocks, all of them fatlings of Bashan. And ye shall eat fat till ye be full, and drink blood till ye be drunken, of my sacrifice which I have sacrificed for you. Thus ye shall be filled at my table with horses and chariots, with mighty men, and with all men of war, saith the Lord GOD. And I will set my glory among the heathen, and all the heathen shall see my judgment that I have executed, and my hand that I have laid upon them. So the house of Israel shall know that I am the LORD their God from that day and forward” Ezekiel 39:17-22. Note the paragraph mark in the 1611 Holy Bible denoting a new episode from that of Ezekiel 38:1-39:16.

“And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone. And the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which sword proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh” Revelation 19:20-21.

It is encouraging that *along with Job at the end of his ordeal*, Job, 42, the Lord’s people from both the Church Age and “*great tribulation*” Matthew 24:21, Revelation 2:22, 7:14 will be able to say this about any “*snare of the devil*” 1 Timothy 3:7 at the Second Advent.

“Our soul is escaped as a bird out of the snare of the fowlers: the snare is broken, and we are escaped” Psalm 124:7.

Job 41:1-34

As indicated earlier, God has through Job as a type of the lost man in hell, Job 30:26-31, mainly addressed Lucifer in Job 38, 39. God has addressed both Lucifer and Job in Job 40 e.g. see remarks on Job 40:1-8, 15.

God is addressing Job in Job 41 *but in Satan's hearing* because Job 41 follows Job 38-40 without any apparent pause or re-listing of participants. Job 42 is different because all participants in the dialogue and events that Job 42 describes, apart from Elihu who is recording them, are listed specifically and Satan is not mentioned.

Job 41 is another harangue to Job with respect to *Job's impotence in the face of God's omnipotence*, Job 40:6-14, see remarks *but also a final rebuke to Satan about his hopelessness in the face of God's omniscience as Job himself declares in response to God*. ***"I know that thou canst do every thing, and that no thought can be withholden from thee"*** Job 42:2 and as Paul also declares:

Leviathan's hopelessness, "naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do" Hebrews 4:13, Job 41

See **Job 38-39 – Summary Thoughts** p 36 and this extract for leviathan's identity.

Lucifer is *"the serpent"* Genesis 3:1, 2, 4, 13, 2 Corinthians 11:3, Revelation 12:14, 15, *"leviathan the piercing serpent, even leviathan that crooked serpent...the dragon that is in the sea"* Isaiah 27:1, *"that old serpent"* Revelation 12:9 and the fallen fifth cherub, Isaiah 14:12, Ezekiel 28:14, 16 who represented amphibian, aquatic and reptilian creatures, not herbivores like *"the second beast like a calf"* Revelation 4:7 of the *"four beasts"* that remain *"round about the throne"* Revelation 4:6.

That is, leviathan in his true identity is the devil. God's questions to Job in Job 41 reveal to him the true nature of his persecutor whose hatred for Job prompted God to move ***"against him, to destroy him without cause"*** Job 2:3 *and therefore how God has worked through Job against the devil*. See **Job 38-39 – Summary Thoughts** and remarks on Job 38:2 in particular.

God's questions to Job in Job 41 further impinge on Job's self-righteousness Job 13:15, 16:17, 27:6 with Job 32:1, 35:2, 40:8 together with Job's declaration of righteousness in Job 31 and reveal that a self-righteous *or proud* man's role model or example is *not* He of Whom Job testified ***"For I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth"*** Job 19:25 but he of whom God said ***"His heart is as firm as a stone; yea, as hard as a piece of the nether millstone...he is a king over all the children of pride"*** Job 41:24, 34 and of whom God said to Edom as the devil in type ***"The pride of thine heart hath deceived thee, thou that dwellest in the clefts of the rock, whose habitation is high; that saith in his heart, Who shall bring me down to the ground?"*** Obadiah 3. God did.

"How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!" Isaiah 14:12.

"Thy terribleness hath deceived thee, and the pride of thine heart, O thou that dwellest in the clefts of the rock, that holdest the height of the hill: though thou shouldest make thy nest as high as the eagle, I will bring thee down from thence, saith the LORD" Jeremiah 49:16.

Job, in Job 42, shows again that he has come to understand God's judgement on self-righteousness. See later. God's questions to Job in Job 41 show that neither he nor any man can conquer the self-righteousness of the devil's *"children of pride"* Job 41:34 and that of the devil himself, of whom God says, with respect to where pride and self-righteousness end. See the following scriptures.

"The wicked in his pride doth persecute the poor: let them be taken in the devices that they have imagined. For the wicked boasteth of his heart's desire, and blesseth the covetous, whom the LORD abhorreth. The wicked, through the pride of his countenance, will not seek after God: God is not in all his thoughts. His ways are always grievous; thy judgments are far above out of his

sight: as for all his enemies, he puffeth at them. He hath said in his heart, I shall not be moved: for I shall never be in adversity. His mouth is full of cursing and deceit and fraud: under his tongue is mischief and vanity” Psalm 10:2-7.

Only God can conquer self-righteousness in an individual as the Lord would later do with King Hezekiah, who wrongly thought he was doing right by himself.

“But Hezekiah rendered not again according to the benefit done unto him; for his heart was lifted up: therefore there was wrath upon him, and upon Judah and Jerusalem. Notwithstanding Hezekiah humbled himself for the pride of his heart, both he and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the wrath of the LORD came not upon them in the days of Hezekiah” 2 Chronicles 32:25-26.

“Canst thou draw out leviathan with an hook? or his tongue with a cord which thou lettest down? Canst thou put an hook into his nose? or bore his jaw through with a thorn?” Job 41:1-2.

Only God, not Job, can conquer leviathan “a king over all the children of pride” Job 41:34 this way. See remarks above on Job 40:23-24.

“Son of man, set thy face against Pharaoh king of Egypt, and prophesy against him, and against all Egypt: Speak, and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I am against thee, Pharaoh king of Egypt, the great dragon that lieth in the midst of his rivers, which hath said, My river is mine own, and I have made it for myself. But I will put hooks in thy jaws, and I will cause the fish of thy rivers to stick unto thy scales, and I will bring thee up out of the midst of thy rivers, and all the fish of thy rivers shall stick unto thy scales. And I will leave thee thrown into the wilderness, thee and all the fish of thy rivers: thou shalt fall upon the open fields; thou shalt not be brought together, nor gathered: I have given thee for meat to the beasts of the field and to the fowls of the heaven” Ezekiel 29:2-5.

“Will he make many supplications unto thee? will he speak soft words unto thee? Will he make a covenant with thee? wilt thou take him for a servant for ever?” Job 41:3-4.

The devil’s “supplications” and “soft words” and any covenant that he would make would be deadly deceit. Any promise of servitude that he would make would be as valid as Absalom’s.

“He hath put forth his hands against such as be at peace with him: he hath broken his covenant. The words of his mouth were smoother than butter, but war was in his heart: his words were softer than oil, yet were they drawn swords” Psalm 55:20-21 with Daniel 9:27. See remarks above on Job 40:19.

“So Joab came to the king, and told him: and when he had called for Absalom, he came to the king, and bowed himself on his face to the ground before the king; and the king kissed Absalom...But Absalom sent spies throughout all the tribes of Israel, saying, As soon as ye hear the sound of the trumpet, then ye shall say, Absalom reigneth in Hebron” 2 Samuel 14:33, 15:10.

Only God can discern and deal with the deceitful heart.

“The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it? I the LORD search the heart, I try the reins, even to give every man according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings” Jeremiah 17:9-10.

Absalom “hanged in an oak” 2 Samuel 18:10 “And if a man have committed a sin worthy of death, and he be to be put to death, and thou hang him on a tree...he that is hanged is accursed of God” Deuteronomy 21:22-23 with 2 Samuel 13:28-33. Thus ended Absalom’s pride.

“Wilt thou play with him as with a bird? or wilt thou bind him for thy maidens?” Job 41:5.

The answer to both questions is a resounding *No*. God’s intention for leviathan is to slay, not play.

“In that day the LORD with his sore and great and strong sword shall punish leviathan the piercing serpent, even leviathan that crooked serpent; and he shall slay the dragon that is in the sea” Isaiah 27:1. Thus will end leviathan’s pride, slain violently as was Absalom’s.

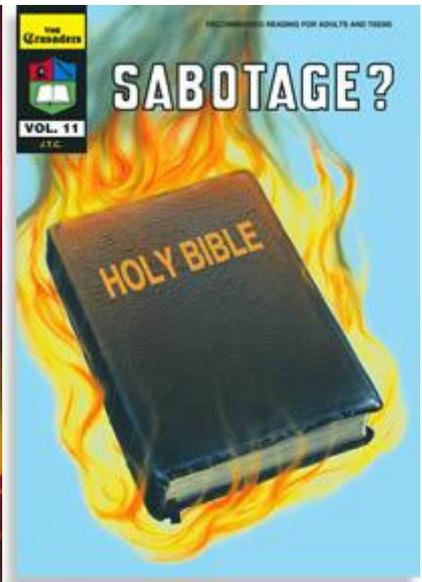
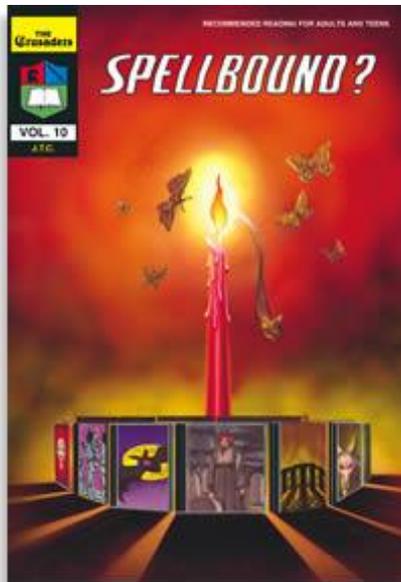
The wording ***“or wilt thou bind him for thy maidens?”*** Job 41:5 is God’s first intimation to Job of God’s intention to *resurrect* Job’s sons and daughters, which Elihu records in Job 42:13 ***“He had also seven sons and three daughters.”***

That would have been an encouragement to both Job and Elihu and a further reason for Job’s statement ***“I know that thou canst do every thing, and that no thought can be withholden from thee”*** Job 42:2 expressing both his desire to have his sons and daughters restored to him and his belief that God could do it as Jeremiah testified long afterward. ***“Ah Lord GOD! behold, thou hast made the heaven and the earth by thy great power and stretched out arm, and there is nothing too hard for thee”*** Jeremiah 32:17.

Job of course cannot bind Satan. Only God can, or cause him to be bound.

“And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years, And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season” Revelation 20:1-3.

Satan of course is not fit company for anyone’s daughters, or sons. He will kill them. ***“And the LORD said unto Satan, Behold, all that he hath is in thy power; only upon himself put not forth thine hand. So Satan went forth from the presence of the LORD...there came also another, and said, Thy sons and thy daughters were eating and drinking wine in their eldest brother’s house: And, behold, there came a great wind from the wilderness, and smote the four corners of the house, and it fell upon the young men, and they are dead; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee”*** Job 1:12, 18-19.



Instead of ***“a great wind from the wilderness”*** Job 1:19, the devil uses rock music and fake bible versions to kill young folk today. See www.chick.com/catalog/comiclist.asp#crusaders.

“Shall the companions make a banquet of him? shall they part him among the merchants?” Job 41:6.

God, not Job, will ***“make a banquet of him”*** for ***“the companions”*** during the great tribulation of the End Times.

“Thou brakest the heads of leviathan in pieces, and gavest him to be meat to the people inhabiting the wilderness” Psalm 74:14. Psalm 74:14 is yet future. See remarks above on Job 40:23-24 and note again that the prophet Micah speaks of God’s sustenance of Israel in the great tribulation of the End Times ***“as in the days of old”*** Micah 7:14.



Flensing ***“leviathan”*** of ***“this great and wide sea”*** Psalm 104:25-26

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“Feed thy people with thy rod, the flock of thine heritage, which dwell solitarily in the wood, in the midst of Carmel: let them feed in Bashan and Gilead, as in the days of old. According to the days of thy coming out of the land of Egypt will I shew unto him marvellous things” Micah 7:14-15.

Note that Job 41:26-29 which follows shows that that leviathan is a more powerful creature than Behemoth is. Compare Job 40:18 ***“His bones are as strong pieces of brass; his bones are like bars of iron”*** with Job 41:27 ***“He esteemeth iron as straw, and brass as rotten wood.”***

God ***“hath broken the gates of brass, and cut the bars of iron in sunder”*** Psalm 107:16 because to God brass and iron are but ***“rotten wood”*** and ***“straw.”*** See remarks above on Job 40:18.

No-one on earth could bring the *real* leviathan down and cut him up for merchandise like ***“that leviathan, whom thou hast made to play therein...this great and wide sea”*** Psalm 104:25-26 because ***“The sword of him that layeth at him cannot hold: the spear, the dart, nor the habergeon. He esteemeth iron as straw, and brass as rotten wood. The arrow cannot make him flee: slingstones are turned with him into stubble. Darts are counted as stubble: he laugheth at the shaking of a spear. Sharp stones are under him: he spreadeth sharp pointed things upon the mire”*** Job 41:26-30.

“sharp pointed things upon the mire” describe pits dug as vicious animal traps or equivalent traps for human victims that could be used with or without the sharp pointed things. See Lamentations 4:20 ***“The breath of our nostrils, the anointed of the LORD, was taken in their pits, of whom we said, Under his shadow we shall live among the heathen.”*** Thankfully, the Lord delivers ***“the anointed of the LORD”*** whereby King David’s prophecy identifies ***“the mire.”*** ***“He brought me up also out of an horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings”*** Psalm 40:2.

Any miry pit set with ***“sharp pointed things”*** large enough to contain leviathan could not hold him. He would simply flatten the sharpened stakes meant to eviscerate him because ***“His scales are his pride, shut up together as with a close seal. One is so near to another, that no air can come between them. They are joined one to another, they stick together, that they cannot be sundered...The flakes of his flesh are joined together: they are firm in themselves; they cannot be moved”*** Job 41:15-17, 23.

For ***“the habergeon”*** see this extract from www.timefortruth.co.uk/why-av-only/james-white-dr-divietro-and-dawaite.php *KJO Review Full Text – White’s fraudulent claims against the 1611 Holy Bible refuted in detail!* p 565.

“Habergeon” Job 41:26. This word occurs 5 times in the AV1611 and therefore, like most of the words in this list, will not be encountered often. Both Dr Vance and the dictionary state that it refers to ‘a sleeveless coat,’ which, as they both indicate, could be composed of protective armour, such as mail. The first 2 occurrences of the word in scripture, Exodus 28:32, 39:23, suggest this meaning of ‘a sleeveless coat.’ The final reference, Job 41:26, shows therefore that no earthly protection is proof against the Devil, which is why the believer needs ***“the shield of faith”*** Ephesians 6:16 – and the marginal note for Job 41:6 indicates that a ***“habergeon”*** is ‘a breastplate,’ which is a possible meaning.

Note also 2 Chronicles 26:14 ***“shields, and spears, and helmets, and habergeons”*** that lists the warrior’s inventory in comparison with respect to Goliath’s armour 1 Samuel 17:5-7 ***“an helmet of brass...a coat of mail...a target of brass...the staff of his spear...like a weaver’s beam...his spear’s head weighed six hundred shekels of iron: and one bearing a shield went before him”*** and with respect to Saul’s armour 1 Samuel 17:38-39 ***“a helmet of brass...a coat of mail...his sword.”***

By inspection, the term ***“the habergeon”*** applies to ***“a coat of mail”*** that effectively acts as a breastplate. Both meanings are possible in this writer’s view.

In addition to ***“all the fiery darts of the wicked”*** Ephesians 6:16 leviathan has his own built-in flamethrower against which no material habergeon is proof.

“Out of his mouth go burning lamps, and sparks of fire leap out. Out of his nostrils goeth smoke, as out of a seething pot or caldron. His breath kindleth coals, and a flame goeth out of his mouth” Job 41:18-21.

The devil’s own fire will be used in the great tribulation of the End Times to destroy dissenters who refuse to worship the beast or his image.

“And he doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men...And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed” Revelation 13:13, 15 after the manner of 2 Kings 1:10, 12, Revelation 11:5, especially to underline victory over **“my two witnesses”** Revelation 11:3 **“because these two prophets tormented them that dwelt on the earth”** Revelation 11:10.

Yet the devil’s fire cannot put an end to they **“which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ”** Revelation 12:17 **“the saints...they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus”** Revelation 14:12.

Even though **“The fire of God is fallen from heaven, and hath burned up the sheep, and the servants, and consumed them”** Job 1:16 it did not put an end to Job’s servants who died by fire. Job received *all* his servants back just as he did his sons and daughters.

“Then came there unto him all his brethren, and all his sisters, and all they that had been of his acquaintance before, and did eat bread with him in his house: and they bemoaned him, and comforted him over all the evil that the LORD had brought upon him: every man also gave him a piece of money, and every one an earring of gold” Job 42:11.

The restoration of *all* of Job’s servants and of his sons and daughters typifies the resurrection of tribulation saints at the Second Advent both Jew and Gentile.

“He shall call to the heavens from above, and to the earth, that he may judge his people. Gather my saints together unto me; those that have made a covenant with me by sacrifice” Psalm 50:4-5 even though it be the sacrifice of themselves, Revelation 6:9-11, 13:15.

“After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands; And cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb...And one of the elders answered, saying unto me...These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb” Revelation 7:9-10, 13-14. Note that by contrast with Revelation 7:14, Church Age saints are washed in **“the blood of Jesus Christ”** 1 Peter 1:2, 1 John 1:7 and spiritually never wash their robes or anything else as Church Age saints.

“...Jesus Christ...is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood” Revelation 1:5.

“The companions” are **“the virgins her companions”** Psalm 45:14 of **“the Lamb’s wife”** Revelation 21:9 who are featured in this prayer to Him at home **“in the midst of the paradise of God”** Revelation 2:7 before His Return. **“Thou that dwellest in the gardens, the companions hearken to thy voice: cause me to hear it”** Song of Solomon 8:13. Of them John prophecies **“These are they which were not defiled with women; for they are virgins. These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth. These were redeemed from among men, being the firstfruits unto God and to the Lamb”** Revelation 14:4.

Revelation 14:4 is a good incentive for today’s believer to apply the Lord’s exhortation as follows.

“If any man serve me, let him follow me; and where I am, there shall also my servant be: if any man serve me, him will my Father honour” John 12:26.

“Canst thou fill his skin with barbed irons? or his head with fish spears? Lay thine hand upon him, remember the battle, do no more” Job 41:7-8.

The answer for Job is *No* to both questions that God asks in Job 41:7. Only *God* can ***“fill his skin with barbed irons...or his head with fish spears”*** concerning leviathan. See remarks on Job 41:1-2 and God’s judgement on pharaoh.

“Son of man, set thy face against Pharaoh king of Egypt, and prophesy against him, and against all Egypt: Speak, and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I am against thee, Pharaoh king of Egypt, the great dragon that lieth in the midst of his rivers, which hath said, My river is mine own, and I have made it for myself. But I will put hooks in thy jaws, and I will cause the fish of thy rivers to stick unto thy scales, and I will bring thee up out of the midst of thy rivers, and all the fish of thy rivers shall stick unto thy scales. And I will leave thee thrown into the wilderness, thee and all the fish of thy rivers: thou shalt fall upon the open fields; thou shalt not be brought together, nor gathered: I have given thee for meat to the beasts of the field and to the fowls of the heaven” Ezekiel 29:2-5.

Job 41:8 ***“Lay thine hand upon him, remember the battle, do no more”*** appears to compare a battle with leviathan with the battle of the kings against the giants over 130 years before the events of the Book of Job. Job would have known about that battle and have understood that a battle with leviathan was a terror to undertake let alone repeat because God is about to show Job that leviathan is a creature of *gigantic* proportions whose ferocity matches his size. The scripture describes the battle of the kings against the giants as follows.

“And in the fourteenth year came Chedorlaomer, and the kings that were with him, and smote the Rephaims in Ashteroth Karnaim, and the Zuzims in Ham, and the Emims in Shaveh Kiriathaim, And the Horites in their mount Seir, unto Elparan, which is by the wilderness” Genesis 14:5-6.

“the Rephaims in Ashteroth Karnaim...the Zuzims...the Emims...the Horites” were all giants, Deuteronomy 2:10-12, 20-22, Joshua 9:10, 12:4, 13:12. ***“Chedorlaomer, and the kings that were with him”*** defeated those giants but the victors’ casualties would have massive. Israel under Saul shows that because even *one* giant was able to terrify Israel’s army into beating a retreat for six weeks.

“And there went out a champion out of the camp of the Philistines, named Goliath, of Gath, whose height was six cubits and a span...When Saul and all Israel heard those words of the Philistine, they were dismayed, and greatly afraid...And the Philistine drew near morning and evening, and presented himself forty days...And all the men of Israel, when they saw the man, fled from him, and were sore afraid” 1 Samuel 17:4, 11, 16, 24.

Note that although unbeknown to Job at the time, Goliath typifies leviathan *and* David typifies the Lord Who gets the victory in that ***“When Saul and all Israel heard those words of the Philistine, they were dismayed, and greatly afraid...all the men of Israel, when they saw the man, fled from him, and were sore afraid...And the Philistine said to David, Come to me, and I will give thy flesh unto the fowls of the air, and to the beasts of the field. Then said David to the Philistine, Thou comest to me with a sword, and with a spear, and with a shield: but I come to thee in the name of the LORD of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom thou hast defied. This day will the LORD deliver thee into mine hand; and I will smite thee, and take thine head from thee; and I will give the carcasses of the host of the Philistines this day unto the fowls of the air, and to the wild beasts of the earth; that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel. And all this assembly shall know that the LORD saveth not with sword and spear: for the battle is the LORD’S, and he will give you into our hands...David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and with a stone, and smote the Philistine, and slew him”*** 1 Samuel 17:11, 24, 44-47, 50.

Note the comparison with leviathan the devil and Goliath and David and the Lord in that ***“Behold, the hope of him is in vain: shall not one be cast down even at the sight of him? None is so fierce that dare stir him up: who then is able to stand before me?”*** Job 41:9-10. Leviathan the devil won’t because, as indicated, just as David slew Goliath though he had ***“cast down”*** all others in ter-

ror **“for the battle is the LORD’S”** then **“In that day the LORD with his sore and great and strong sword shall punish leviathan the piercing serpent, even leviathan that crooked serpent; and he shall slay the dragon that is in the sea”** Isaiah 27:1.

The giant could not best David and even a giant like leviathan cannot best God.

The lesson for Job and equally for today’s believer is clear.

“Pride goeth before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall” Proverbs 16:18. **“I will maintain mine own ways before him”** Job 13:15 must yield to **“I thought on my ways, and turned my feet unto thy testimonies”** Psalm 119:59.

“Who hath prevented me, that I should repay him? whatsoever is under the whole heaven is mine” Job 41:11.

“The Levites” Nehemiah 9:4-5 would give a comprehensive answer to the question in Job 41:11 centuries later. That is, no-one made anything of God’s creation that the Lord should recompense him for it. Leviathan the devil certainly did not. See **Job 38-39 – Summary Thoughts**.

“Thou, even thou, art LORD alone; thou hast made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host, the earth, and all things that are therein, the seas, and all that is therein, and thou preservest them all; and the host of heaven worshippeth thee” Nehemiah 9:6.

In turn, all that is created belongs to God, including leviathan, as God Himself states through King David and as Paul cites. Note the cross reference between Job 40:20 and Psalm 50:11.

“For every beast of the forest is mine, and the cattle upon a thousand hills. I know all the fowls of the mountains; and the wild beasts of the field are mine. If I were hungry, I would not tell thee: for the world is mine, and the fulness thereof” Psalm 50:10-12.

“For the earth is the Lord’s, and the fulness thereof...For the earth is the Lord’s, and the fulness thereof” 1 Corinthians 10:26, 28.

God, therefore, is well able to give Job the design specifications of this most ferocious and what is shown to be most gigantic of all creatures who will nevertheless be humbled before God Himself Who will slay him, Isaiah 27:1. Job and today’s believer should therefore take care that they humble themselves before God voluntarily. The Lord will honour that.

“For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is Holy; I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones” Isaiah 57:15.

“I will not conceal his parts, nor his power, nor his comely proportion. Who can discover the face of his garment? or who can come to him with his double bridle? Who can open the doors of his face? his teeth are terrible round about” Job 41:12-14.

The Lord is about to fulfil Hebrews 4:13 **“Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight; but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do”** for the devil’s chagrin in that God will reveal all that there is necessary to reveal about him and for Job’s instruction about the terrible enemy that *willingly* caused God to afflict Job, Job 2:3, against God’s preferred will **“For he doth not afflict willingly nor grieve the children of men”** Lamentations 3:33.

Leviathan the devil will fully know as King David would write of himself centuries later that God knows all his substance and all his members and therefore exactly what it will take to terminate or finally slay, Isaiah 27:1, the leviathan the dragon and would-be usurper. See remarks **on Job 38-39 – Summary Thoughts**.

“My substance was not hid from thee...Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being unperfect; and in thy book all my members were written, which in continuance were fashioned, when as yet there was none of them” Psalm 139:15-16.

Job as *“as one that feared God, and eschewed evil”* Job 1:1 will appreciate that God knows *his* substance as well and be encouraged, as today’s believer should be, that the Lord can and will both sustain and restore him.

“Like as a father pitieth his children, so the LORD pitieth them that fear him. For he knoweth our frame; he remembereth that we are dust...But the mercy of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear him, and his righteousness unto children’s children” Psalm 103:13-14, 17 with Job 42:16.

“I will not conceal his parts, nor his power, nor his comely proportion” Job 41:12. God reveals leviathan’s *“parts”* as **“the doors of his face...his teeth...terrible round about”** showing that leviathan is indeed *a giant*. God says of leviathan that that **“He esteemeth iron as straw”** Job 41:27 and therefore leviathan’s *“power”* and **“his teeth...terrible round about”** must be more terrible than those of **“a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth”** Daniel 7:7 that nevertheless **“shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces”** Daniel 7:23.

Leviathan nevertheless has *“his comely proportion”* Job 41:12. God makes terrible beasts, Genesis 3:1, Job 40:15, Isaiah 27:1 but they are not monstrosities. Even in **“the lake of fire...tormented day and night for ever and ever”** Revelation 20:10 Behemoth and leviathan would have to acknowledge the perfect symmetry with which God endowed them when He made them as King David testifies.

“All thy works shall praise thee, O LORD; and thy saints shall bless thee” Psalm 145:10. It is good for saints such as today’s believer to do so now again as King David testifies.

“It is a good thing to give thanks unto the LORD, and to sing praises unto thy name, O most High” Psalm 92:1.

None except God **“can discover the face of his garment...or...can come to him with his double bridle”** because leviathan is **“the piercing serpent, even leviathan that crooked serpent...the dragon that is in the sea”** Isaiah 27:1. Leviathan’s garment is **“the waters which were above the firmament”** Genesis 1:7 and **“The waters are hid as with a stone, and the face of the deep is frozen”** Job 38:30. See remarks in **Job 38-39 – Summary Thoughts, Job 38:30-35. God’s Glory in “the ordinances of heaven”** Job 38:33.

Leviathan and indeed all **“the dragons in the waters”** Psalm 74:13 cannot get through to **“the third heaven”** 2 Corinthians 12:2 to attack the saints those who have victoriously resisted the devil on earth, James 4:7, 1 Peter 5:8-9 even though the devil can obviously project himself there, Job 1:6, 2:1. Note that **“the piercing serpent”** cannot pierce **“the face of the deep.”** That must gall him.

“And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with fire: and them that had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name, stand on the sea of glass, having the harps of God” Revelation 15:2.

Unable to pierce through, leviathan and indeed all **“the dragons in the waters”** Psalm 74:13 then try to get through, by means it appears of submerged combustion whereby **“a flame goeth out of his mouth”** Job 41:21 in a vain attempt to melt the frozen face of the deep in order to break through it. The effect is intense boiling **“as out of a seething pot or caldron”** such that **“the waters which were above the firmament”** Genesis 1:7 are made intensely white like **“the hoar frost on the ground”** Exodus 16:14 like the manna by which Israel would be miraculously fed. That would be most galling to a listening leviathan. See **Job 38-39 – Summary Thoughts, Job 38:19-29. God’s Glory in light, dark, rain, snow and ice** and remarks above on Job 41:6 and Psalm 74:14 **“Thou brakest the heads of leviathan in pieces, and gavest him to be meat to the people inhabiting the wilderness.”**

The effect is to make **“the waters which were above the firmament”** Genesis 1:7 *shining white* such that the effect is starkly obvious like the ointment on a man’s injured right hand whereby **“the ointment of his right hand...bewrayeth itself”** Proverbs 27:16. That must be very galling to listening leviathan because the devil’s **“own right hand”** Job 40:14 will *not* be treated with ointment but per-

manently disabled. See remarks under **Job 40:6-14**. ***“Gird up thy loins now like a man: I will demand of thee, and declare thou unto me”*** Job 40:7 on Job 38:15, Zechariah 11:17, Ezekiel 30:21-22.

“He maketh the deep to boil like a pot: he maketh the sea like a pot of ointment. He maketh a path to shine after him; one would think the deep to be hoary” Job 41:31-32.

The encouragement for Job is that God would restore ***“an hedge about him”*** Job 1:10 such that the devil could never break through and the encouragement for today’s believer is as John expressed it for ***“any man...in Christ...a new creature”*** 2 Corinthians 5:17.

“We know that whosoever is born of God sinneth not; but he that is begotten of God keepeth himself, and that wicked one toucheth him not” 1 John 5:18.

Only God can put or cause to be put any kind of bridle upon Satan. See remarks above on Job 41:5 and Revelation 20:1-3 ***“And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years, And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season.”***

The Lord continues to reveal to Job for gargantuan leviathan ***“his parts...his power”*** Job 41:12 with respect to ***“His scales”*** Job 41:15, ***“his eyes”*** Job 41:18, ***“his mouth”*** Job 41:19, ***“his nostrils”*** Job 41:20, ***“his neck”*** Job 41:22 and ***“his heart”*** Job 41:24.

See remarks above on Job 41:6 with respect to Job 41:15-21, 23, 26-30.

“In his neck remaineth strength, and sorrow is turned into joy before him” Job 41:22.

Unbeknown to Job at the time, Job 41:22 has application to the great tribulation of the End Times when ***“the idol shepherd”*** Zechariah 11:17, Behemoth the beast in his earthly manifestation receives a *head* wound that blinds him in the right eye *but he recovers*. Thanks to leviathan the dragon ***“In his neck remaineth strength”*** so that he recovers *much to the joy of his worshippers in mourning* as John describes. ***“And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast. And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who is like unto the beast? who is able to make war with him?”*** Revelation 13:3-4.

Neither Behemoth in his earthly manifestation nor leviathan are benevolent towards their followers, however. So hard and cruel are their hearts that they demand *self-harm* from their worshippers as the followers of Baal practised in Elijah’s time and as Catholics in Spain and the Philippines do *now*. ***“And they took the bullock which was given them, and they dressed it, and called on the name of Baal from morning even until noon, saying, O Baal, hear us. But there was no voice, nor any that answered. And they leaped upon the altar which was made...And they cried aloud, and cut themselves after their manner with knives and lancets, till the blood gushed out upon them”*** 1 Kings 18:26, 28.

Such is leviathan’s power, Job 41:12, even the mighty among his followers ***“the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men”*** Revelation 6:15 will fear him just as Israel feared Goliath. See remarks above on Job 41:26-30 and 1 Samuel 17:4, 11, 16, 24.

“His heart is as firm as a stone; yea, as hard as a piece of the nether millstone. When he raiseth up himself, the mighty are afraid: by reason of breakings they purify themselves” Job 41:24-25.

It is better to be a worshipper of the Lord Jesus Christ *now*.

“Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light” Matthew 11:28-30.

See remarks above on Job 41:31-32.

“Upon earth there is not his like, who is made without fear. He beholdeth all high things: he is a king over all the children of pride” Job 41:33-34.

The devil’s testimony to the Lord Jesus Christ that the Lord did not deny explains Job 41:33-34. See remarks on Job 40:15-19.

“And the devil, taking him up into an high mountain, shewed unto him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. And the devil said unto him, All this power will I give thee, and the glory of them: for that is delivered unto me; and to whomsoever I will I give it” Luke 4:5-6.

Job would later understand that final statement from God on leviathan ***“the great dragon...the Devil and Satan”*** Revelation 12:9. It would not have been fully plain then but it is plain now. Today’s believer has this promise that everything will be made plain at the Lord’s Return.

“For now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known” 1 Corinthians 13:12.

Finally, it should be noted that leviathan ***“is a king over all the children of pride”*** Job 41:34. He is not *the* King, although the modern versions, 1984, 2011 NIVs, NKJV imply that he is thereby legitimatizing Lucifer’s usurpation ambition ***“I will exalt my throne above the stars of God”*** Isaiah 14:13. That level of exaltation rightfully belongs to Another. See:

www.keepcalm-o-matic.co.uk/p/king-of-kings-and-lord-of-lords-4/.

“Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father” Philipians 2:9-11. See remarks on **Job 40:6-14**. ***“Gird up thy loins now like a man: I will demand of thee, and declare thou unto me”*** Job 40:7.

“The lofty looks of man shall be humbled, and the haughtiness of men shall be bowed down, and the LORD alone shall be exalted in that day. For the day of the LORD of hosts shall be upon every one that is proud and lofty, and upon every one that is lifted up; and he shall be brought low” Isaiah 2:11-12. That includes sodomite pride. See www.timefortruth.co.uk/alan-oreilly/ Cry of Sodom. The Lord Jesus Christ in response ***“...turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrha into ashes condemned them with an overthrow, making them an ensample unto those that after should live ungodly...The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished”*** 2 Peter 2:6, 9.

“the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men” Revelation 6:15 will therefore fear ***“him that sitteth on the throne”*** Revelation 6:16.

Job 40-41 In Sum

“And a voice came out of the throne, saying, Praise our God, all ye his servants, and ye that fear him, both small and great. And I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty thunderings, saying, Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth” Revelation 19:6.

“And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God...And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS” Revelation 19:13, 16.

