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How does his second friend, Bildad, 'comfort' Job? 8:1-2

He essentially condemns Job for speaking 'blustering' words! Not much comfort here.

What is his incredible conclusion about the death of Job's 10 children? 10:3-4

They had sinned and God rightly gave them over to the penalty! How hurtful...and wrong.

What is the corrupt theology behind this attack? 4:7-9

God always destroys the wicked. Innocent never! No room for mercy or sovereignty.

And what is the root of this 'legalistic' theology? 6:21

These friends see Job's trial and are afraid! His plight threatens their self-righteousness.

And what is Bildad's promise to Job (by his infinite wisdom)? 8:5-7, 8-22

IF you will 'bargain' with God, He will restore you. To be like us. This is obvious (vs.8-22)!

What *should* Godly comforting look like? IICor.1:3-7; 7:5-7; IThess.4:13-18; IIThess.2:16-17

Godly comfort, by the Spirit, w/love, gentleness. Hope by the Word. Grace, Grace, Grace!

What astounding Gift do we have today that Job did not have? Jn.14:16-26; Heb.4:14-16

Believers have the permanent indwelling Holy Spirit, the Comforter. He gives us peace!

Job's prophetic cry for an intercessor...9:1-35

What is Job's cry of despair in 9:2b? 9:3-20 Choices? 1) Ps.53:1 2) Luke 18:9-12 3)13-14

How can a mortal be righteous before God? 1) Deny God 2) self-righteous 3) Repent!

The central question of life! How can God be Holy and yet 'ignore' sin? Rom.3:23-26

He (Jesus, God) paid the righteous penalty for our sin. He is Just and the Justifier!

What does Job conclude about *all men* from an earthly perspective? 9:21-24, see 9:22

The wages of sin is death. Physical death is the common lot of men. Even 'the blameless'.

What has he already considered as remedies for his situation? 9:27, 30-31

Just grin and bear it! Doesn't work (vs.28). Strongest soap to wash sin away! Nope (vs.31).

And finally, what does Job cry out for? 9:33; 16:19-21

An intercessor between God and man! Lay His hand upon us both! Yes! We need Him.

What 'nature' would be required of such an intercessor? Heb.2:9-18

On the one hand, God (100%). On the other, man (100%). The man, Christ Jesus!

What would this intercessor *do* for Job? 9:34; see Rom.10:9-10

Remove God's wrath from him. So that God would see him as perfectly righteous!

How do believers today differ from Job's conclusion? 9:35; ITim.2:5-6; IJn.2:1

We have "...one mediator also between God and men, the man Christ Jesus..."

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