

²¹ Surely you know, for you were already born!
 You have lived so many years!
²² “Have you entered the storehouses of the snow
 or seen the storehouses of the hail,
²³ which I reserve for times of trouble,
 for days of war and battle?
²⁴ What is the way to the place where the lightning is dis-
 persed,
 or the place where the east winds are scattered over the earth?
²⁵ Who cuts a channel for the torrents of rain,
 and a path for the thunderstorm,
²⁶ to water a land where no man lives,
 a desert with no one in it,
²⁷ to satisfy a desolate wasteland
 and make it sprout with grass?
²⁸ Does the rain have a father?
 Who fathers the drops of dew?
²⁹ From whose womb comes the ice?
 Who gives birth to the frost from the heavens
³⁰ when the waters become hard as stone,
 when the surface of the deep is frozen?
³¹ “Can you bind the beautiful Pleiades?
 Can you loose the cords of Orion?
³² Can you bring forth the constellations in their seasons
 or lead out the Bear with its cubs?
³³ Do you know the laws of the heavens?
 Can you set up God’s dominion over the earth?
³⁴ “Can you raise your voice to the clouds
 and cover yourself with a flood of water?
³⁵ Do you send the lightning bolts on their way?
 Do they report to you, ‘Here we are’?
³⁶ Who endowed the heart with wisdom
 or gave understanding to the mind?
³⁷ Who has the wisdom to count the clouds?
 Who can tip over the water jars of the heavens
³⁸ when the dust becomes hard
 and the clods of earth stick together?
³⁹ “Do you hunt the prey for the lioness
 and satisfy the hunger of the lions
⁴⁰ when they crouch in their dens
 or lie in wait in a thicket?
⁴¹ Who provides food for the raven
 when its young cry out to God
 and wander about for lack of food?

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Job 38 Then the LORD an-
 swered Job out of the storm. He said:
² “Who is this that darkens my
 counsel with words without knowl-
 edge?

³ Brace yourself like a man; I will question
 you, and you shall answer me.
⁴ “Where were you when I laid the earth’s
 foundation? Tell me, if you understand.
⁵ Who marked off its dimensions? Surely you
 know! Who stretched a measuring line across it?
⁶ On what were its footings set,
 or who laid its cornerstone—
⁷ while the morning stars sang together
 and all the angels shouted for joy?
⁸ “Who shut up the sea behind doors
 when it burst forth from the womb,
⁹ when I made the clouds its garment
 and wrapped it in thick darkness,
¹⁰ when I fixed limits for it and set its doors and
 bars in place,
¹¹ when I said, ‘This far you may come and no
 farther; here is where your proud waves halt’?
¹² “Have you ever given orders to the morning,
 or shown the dawn its place,
¹³ that it might take the earth by the edges
 and shake the wicked out of it?
¹⁴ The earth takes shape like clay under a seal;
 its features stand out like those of a garment.
¹⁵ The wicked are denied their light,
 and their upraised arm is broken.
¹⁶ “Have you journeyed to the springs of the
 sea or walked in the recesses of the deep?
¹⁷ Have the gates of death been shown to you?
 Have you seen the gates of the shadow of death?
¹⁸ Have you comprehended the vast expanses
 of the earth? Tell me, if you know all this.
¹⁹ “What is the way to the abode of light?
 And where does darkness reside?
²⁰ Can you take them to their places?
 Do you know the paths to their dwellings?