



The Bile of Bildad the Shuhite Explaining The Suffering of Job Job 8

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A. What Bildad Got Wrong

Bildad expresses no compassion in explaining Why Job Suffered:

1. Job, your individual sin(s) dictated God's Justice.

Job 8:1–7, NLT - ¹ Then Bildad the Shuhite replied to Job: ² "How long will you go on like this? You sound like a blustering wind. ³ Does God twist justice? Does the Almighty twist what is right? ⁴ Your children must have sinned against him, so their punishment was well deserved.....

2. Job, tradition declares of God's Justice.

Job 8:8–10, NLT - ⁸ "Just ask the previous generation. Pay attention to the experience of our ancestors. ⁹ For we were born but yesterday and know nothing. Our days on earth are as fleeting as a shadow. ¹⁰ But those who came before us will teach you. They will teach you the wisdom of old.

3. Job, nature demonstrates God's Justice.

Plant (Papyrus)—You may have started well but failed to finish well.
Spider's Web—Job's reliance on his innocence is equally fragile.
Gourd—A gourd has no roots, once it dies—like you, Job

4. Job, your own character determines God's Justice.

Job 8:20–21, NLT - ²⁰ "But look, God will not reject a person of integrity, nor will he lend a hand to the wicked. ²¹ He will once again fill your mouth with laughter and your lips with shouts of joy.

B. What Bildad Got Right

אִם-אַתָּה תִּשְׁתַּר אֱלֹהִים וְאֶל-שְׂדֵי תִתְחַנֵּן עָלַיךָ וְשָׁלֵם גֹּוֹת צְדָקָד:

"If you seek **Elohim**, He will restore to you what He wanted you to have."

- v. 5-6, Translated by John Wesley (Source: "Explanatory Notes on the OT and NT" by JW)
Taken from Wesley's Explanatory Notes upon the Old Testament Volumes 1–3, published by William Pine, 1765, and Wesley's Explanatory Notes upon the New Testament, published by J. Soule and T. Mason, 1818. Sec. 6, ¶ 9, line 12

1. All your sins will be forgiven and forgotten.

Hebrews 8:12, NIV84 - ¹² For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more."

2. All your questions will be answered.

Isaiah 65:17, NIV84 - ¹⁷ "Behold, I will create new heavens and a new earth. The former things will not be remembered, nor will they come to mind.

3. All your health will be restored.

1 Corinthians 15:50–53, NLT - ⁵⁰ What I am saying, dear brothers and sisters, is that our physical bodies cannot inherit the Kingdom of God. These dying bodies cannot inherit what will last forever. ⁵¹ But let me reveal to you a wonderful secret. We will not all die, but we will all be transformed! ⁵² It will happen in a moment, in the blink of an eye, when the last trumpet is blown. For when the trumpet sounds, those who have died will be raised to live forever. And we who are living will also be transformed. ⁵³ For our dying bodies must be transformed into bodies that will never die; our mortal bodies must be transformed into immortal bodies.

4. All your loneliness will be erased.

Ezekiel 37:27, NLT - ²⁷ I will make my home among them. I will be their God, and they will be my people.

5. All your grief will be vanished.

Revelation 21:4, NLT - ⁴ He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there will be no more death or sorrow or crying or pain. All these things are gone forever."

6. All your worship will be sincere.

Revelation 22:3–4, NIV84 - ³ No longer will there be any curse. The throne of God and of the Lamb will be in the city, and his servants will serve him. ⁴ They will see His face..."