

Know Your Place

Understanding Human Limits
in the presence of God

Job 38:1-7



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Then the LORD answered Job from the whirlwind. He said: ²Who is this who obscures my counsel with ignorant words? ³Get ready to answer me like a man; when I question you, you will inform me.

⁴Where were you when I established the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding.

⁵Who fixed its dimensions? Certainly, you know! Who stretched a measuring line across it? ⁶What supports its foundations? Or who laid its cornerstone ⁷while the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy?

Background (Job 1-37)

- Job is a righteous man who God allowed to be tested.
- Job laments to God.
- Job's friends question his righteousness and say he must have sinned.
- Elihu confronts Job and his friends about questioning God's knowledge
- Job questions God and waits for his response.

I. Human Knowledge Is Limited

Job 38:2

Who is this who obscures my counsel with ignorant words?

-God directly addresses to limits of Job's human wisdom.

II. Human Power Is Limited

Job 38:3

“Get ready to answer me like a man; when I question you, you will inform me.”

- God is calling Job out as man and reminding him of his limited power.

III. Human Authority Is Limited

Job 38:4-7

“Where were you when I established the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. Who fixed its dimensions? Certainly, you know! Who stretched a measuring line across it? What supports its foundations? Or who laid its cornerstone while the morning stars sang together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy?”

-God points to Job's limited authority by reminding him that he is a creature not creator.



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**Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil;
that put darkness for light, and light for
darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for
bitter!**

-Isaiah 5:20

**Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he
will lift you up.**

-James 4:10