Job 14

Alte englische Darby-Übersetzung



1 Man, born of woman, is of few days, and full of trouble. 2 He cometh forth like a flower, and is cut down; and he fleeth as a shadow, and continueth not. 3 Yet dost thou open thine eyes upon such a one, and bringest me into judgment with thee? 4 Who can bring a clean man out of the unclean? Not one! 5 If his days are determined, if the number of his months is with thee, and thou hast appointed his bounds which he must not pass, 6 Look away from him; and let him rest, till he accomplish, as a hireling, his day.

7 For there is hope for a tree: if it be cut down, it will sprout again, and its tender branch will not cease; **8** Though its root grow old in the earth, and its stock die in the ground, **9** Yet through the scent of water it will bud, and put forth boughs like a young plant. **10** But a man dieth, and is prostrate; yea, man expireth, and where is he? **11** The waters recede from the lake, and the river wasteth and drieth up: **12** So man lieth down, and riseth not again; till the heavens be no more, they do not awake, nor are raised out of their sleep. **13** Oh that thou wouldest hide me in Sheol, that thou wouldest keep me secret until thine anger be past, that thou wouldest appoint me a set time, and remember me, -- **14** (If a man die, shall he live again ?) all the days of my time of toil would I wait, till my change should come: **15** Thou wouldest call, and I would answer thee; thou wouldest have a desire after the work of thy hands.

16 For now thou numberest my steps: dost thou not watch over my sin? 17 My transgression is sealed up in a bag, and thou heapest up mine iniquity. 18 And indeed a mountain falling cometh to nought, and the rock is removed out of its place; 19 The waters wear the stones, the floods thereof wash away the dust of the earth; and thou destroyest the hope of man. 20 Thou prevailest for ever against him, and he passeth away; thou changest his countenance, and dismissest him. 21 His sons come to honour, and he knoweth it not; and they are brought low, and he perceiveth it not. 22 But his flesh hath pain for himself alone, and his soul mourneth for himself.