

Job 29

Alte englische Darby-Übersetzung



1 And Job continued his parable and said, **2** Oh that I were as in months past, as in the days when +God preserved me; **3** When his lamp shone over my head, and by his light I walked through darkness; **4** As I was in the days of my youth, when the secret counsel of +God was over my tent, **5** When the Almighty was yet with me, my young men round about me; **6** When my steps were bathed in milk, and the rock poured out beside me rivers of oil! ...

7 When I went out to the gate by the city, when I prepared my seat on the broadway, **8** The young men saw me, and hid themselves; and the aged arose and stood up; **9** Princes refrained from talking, and laid the hand on their mouth; **10** The voice of the nobles was hushed, and their tongue cleaved to their palate. **11** When the ear heard me , then it blessed me, and when the eye saw me , it gave witness to me; **12** For I delivered the afflicted that cried, and the fatherless who had no helper. **13** The blessing of him that was perishing came upon me, and I caused the widow's heart to sing for joy. **14** I put on righteousness, and it clothed me; my justice was as a mantle and a turban. **15** I was eyes to the blind, and feet was I to the lame; **16** I was a father to the needy, and the cause which I knew not I searched out; **17** And I broke the jaws of the unrighteous, and plucked the spoil out of his teeth.

18 And I said, I shall die in my nest, and multiply my days as the sand; **19** My root shall be spread out to the waters, and the dew will lie all night on my branch; **20** My glory shall be fresh in me, and my bow be renewed in my hand. **21** Unto me they listened, and waited, and kept silence for my counsel: **22** After my words they spoke not again, and my speech dropped upon them; **23** And they waited for me as for the rain, and they opened their mouth wide as for the latter rain. **24** If I laughed on them, they believed it not; and they troubled not the serenity of my countenance. **25** I chose their way, and sat as chief, and dwelt as a king in the army, as one that comforteth mourners.