

Job 7

Alte englische Darby-Übersetzung



1 Hath not man a life of labour upon earth? and are not his days like the days of a hireling? **2** As a bondman earnestly desireth the shadow, and a hireling expecteth his wages, **3** So am I made to possess months of vanity, and wearisome nights are appointed to me. **4** If I lie down, I say, When shall I rise up, and the darkness be gone? and I am full of tossings until the dawn. **5** My flesh is clothed with worms and clods of dust; my skin is broken, and suppurates. **6** My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle, and are spent without hope.

7 Remember thou that my life is wind; mine eye shall no more see good. **8** The eye of him that hath seen me shall behold me no more : thine eyes are upon me, and I am not. **9** The cloud consumeth and vanisheth away; so he that goeth down to Sheol shall not come up. **10** He shall return no more to his house, neither shall his place know him again. **11** Therefore I will not restrain my mouth: I will speak in the anguish of my spirit; I will complain in the bitterness of my soul. **12** Am I a sea, or a sea-monster, that thou settest a watch over me? **13** When I say, My bed shall comfort me, my couch shall ease my complaint; **14** Then thou scarest me with dreams, and terrifiest me through visions; **15** So that my soul chooseth strangling, death, rather than my bones. **16** I loathe it; I shall not live always: let me alone, for my days are a breath.

17 What is man, that thou makest much of him? and that thou settest thy heart upon him? **18** And that thou visitest him every morning, triest him every moment? **19** How long wilt thou not look away from me, nor let me alone till I swallow down my spittle? **20** Have I sinned, what do I unto thee, thou Observer of men? Why hast thou set me as an object of assault for thee, so that I am become a burden to myself? **21** And why dost not thou forgive my transgression and take away mine iniquity? for now shall I lie down in the dust, and thou shalt seek me early, and I shall not be.