

amal (trouble, tzoros) sprout out of the adamah;

|7| Yet adam is born unto amal (trouble, tzoros), even as sparks fly upward.

|8| I would seek El (G-d), and before Elohim would I lay my cause;

|9| Who doeth gedolot unsearchable, marvellous things without mispar;

|10| Who giveth matar upon erez, and sendeth mayim upon the fields;

|11| To set up on high those that be the shefalim (the lowly ones); that those which mourn may be exalted to safety,

|12| Thwarting the machshevot of the arumim (crafty ones), so that their hands cannot accomplish tushiyyah (success).

|13| He taketh the chachamim in their own arum (craftiness), and the etzah of the wily is swiftly swept away.

|14| They meet with choshech in the daytime, and grope in the noonday as in the lailah,  
|15| But He saveth the needy from the cherev of their mouth, and from the yad chazak.

|16| So the poor hath tikveh, and olatah (perversity, wickedness) stoppeth her mouth.

|17| Hinei, ashrei is the enosh whom Eloah correcteth; therefore despise not thou the musar (chastening) of Shaddai;

|18| For He woundeth, and bindeth up; He injureth, and His yadayim (hands) heal.

|19| He shall deliver thee in shesh tzoros; yea, in shivah there shall no rah touch thee.

|20| In ra'av (famine) He shall redeem thee from mavet; and in milchamah from the power of the cherev.

|21| Thou shalt be hid from the scourge of the leshon, neither shalt thou be afraid of destruction when it cometh.

|22| At destruction and famine thou shalt laugh; neither shalt thou be afraid of the chayyat ha'aretz.

|23| For thou shalt be in league with the avanim of the sadeh, and the chayyat sadeh shall be hashelemah (at peace) with thee.

|24| And thou shalt know that shalom shall be thy ohel; and thou shalt visit thy habitation, and find nothing wanting.

|25| Thou shalt know also that thy zera shall be rav, and thine offspring as the esev ha'aretz.

|26| Thou shalt come to thy kever in a ripe age, like a shock of grain cometh in its season.

|27| Hinei zot, this we have searched out, so it is; hear it, and apply thou it for thy good.

**6** But Iyov answered and said,

|2| Oh that my ka'as (vexation) were throughly weighed, and my calamity laid in the scales together!

|3| For now it would be heavier than the chol of the seas; therefore my words are impetuous.

|4| For the khitzim (arrows) of Shaddai are in me, the poison whereof drinketh my ruach; the terrors of Eloah do set themselves in array against me.

|5| Doth the pereh (wild donkey) bray when he hath desheh? Or loweth the ox over his fodder?

|6| Can that which is tasteless be eaten without melach? Or is there any taste in the white of an egg?

|7| The things that my nefesh refused to touch are like my loathsome lechem.

|8| Who will grant that I might have my she'elah (request); oh that Eloah would grant me my tikveh!

|9| Even that it would please Eloah to crush me; that He would let loose His yad, and cut me off!

|10| Then should I yet have nechamah (consolation); yea, I would exult in chilah (pain); let him not spare; for I have not concealed the imrei Kadosh (words of the Holy One).

|11| What is my koach, that I should wait? And what is mine end, that I should make patient my nefesh?

|12| Is my koach the koach of avanim? Or is my basar bronze?

|13| Is it that my help is not within me? And is tushiyyah (success) driven from me?

|14| To him that is afflicted, chesed should be shown from his friend; otherwise, he forsaketh the fear of Shaddai.

|15| Achai (my brethren) have dealt deceitfully as a wadi, and as the torrents of wadis they vanish away;

|16| Which are blackish muddy by reason of the kerakh (ice), and wherein the sheleg (snow) is melted.

|17| What season they become warm, they vanish; when it is hot, they disappear from their makom.

|18| The paths of their derech wind about; they go up to tohu [*Gn 1:2*], and perish.

|19| The caravans of Tema looked for them; the halichot (traveling companies) of Sheva hoped for them.

|20| They were disappointed because of their bitachon; they come there and are confounded.

|21| For now ye are become such; ye see my chatat (casting down), and are afraid.

|22| Did I say, Bring unto me? Or, Give a present for me of your ko'ach (power, wealth)?

|23| Or, Deliver me from the yad tzar (hand of the enemy, oppressor)? Or, Redeem