

|8| The proud beasts have not trodden it, nor the shachal (lion's cub) passed over it.

|9| He [*the miner*] putteth forth his yad upon the rock; he upturneth the mountains by the shoresh.

|10| He cutteth out channels through the tzurot (rocks), and his eye seeth every precious thing.

|11| He dams up the streams from flowing, and the thing that is hidden bringeth he forth to ohr.

|12| But where shall chochmah be found? And where is the makom binah?

|13| Enosh knoweth not the price thereof; neither is it found in the Eretz HaChayyim.

|14| The tehom (abyss) saith, It is not in me; and the yam saith, It is not with me.

|15| It cannot be gotten in exchange for fine gold, neither shall kesef be weighed for the price thereof.

|16| It cannot be valued with the fine gold of Ophir, with the precious onyx, or the sapphire.

|17| The zahav and the crystal cannot equal it, and the exchange of it shall not be for the jewel of gold.

|18| Nor shall mention be made of coral or crystal, for the price of chochmah is above pearls.

|19| The chrysolite of Ethiopia shall not equal it, neither shall it be valued with tahor gold.

|20| From where then cometh chochmah? And where is the makom binah?

|21| Seeing it is hidden from the eyes of kol chai, and concealed from the oph HaShomayim.

|22| Abaddon and Mavet say, We have heard a rumor thereof with our ears.

|23| Elohim understandeth the way to it, and He knoweth the makom thereof.

|24| For He looketh to the ketzot ha'aretz, and seeth all under Shomayim.

|25| The weight He appointed for the ruach, and He weigheth the mayim by measure.

|26| When He made a decree for the matar, and a derech for the lightning of the thunder,

|27| Az (then) did He see it, and declare it; He prepared it, yea, and searched it out.

|28| And unto adam He said, See, the Yirat Adonoi, that is chochmah, and to depart from rah is binah.

29 Moreover Iyov continued his mashal, and said,

|2| Oh that I were as in months past, as in the days when Eloah was shomer over me;

|3| When His ner (lamp) shined upon my rosh, and when by His ohr I walked through choshech;

|4| As I was in the days of my prime, when the Sod Eloah (friendship, counsel of G-d) was over my ohel;

|5| When Shaddai was yet with me, when my children were around me;

|6| When I washed my steps with khemah, and the tzur poured me out streams of shemen;

|7| When I went out to the sha'ar through the city, when I took my moshav in the rekhov!

|8| The ne'arim saw me, and stepped aside, and the aged arose, and stood up.

|9| The sarim (nobles) refrained from talking, and laid their hand on their mouth.

|10| The nobles held their peace, and their leshon cleaved to the roof of their mouth.

|11| When the ozen heard me, then it commended me; and when the ayin saw me, it did bear witness of me,

|12| Because I delivered the oni that cried out, and the yatom that had no ozer (helper) for him.

|13| The birkat oved (blessing of the oppressed) came upon me, and I caused the lev almanah to sing for joy.

|14| I put on tzedek, and it clothed me; my mishpat was as a robe and a tzanif (turban).

|15| I was eyes to the ivver, and feet was I to the pisei'ach.

|16| I was an av to the evyonim (needy); and the cause which I knew not I investigated.

|17| And I broke the fangs of the wicked, and plucked the prey out of his shinayim.

|18| Then I said, I shall die in my ken (nest, house), and I shall multiply my yamim like the chol (sand).

|19| My shoresh was spread out to the mayim, and the tal lay all night upon my branch.

|20| My kavod was fresh with me, and my keshet was ever new in my yad.

|21| Unto me men gave ear, and waited, and kept silence at my etzah (counsel).

|22| Acharei (after) my words they spoke not again; and my speech fell upon them.

|23| And they waited for me as for the matar; and they opened their mouth wide as for the malkosh (spring, late rain).

|24| I smiled on them when they did not believe; and the ohr of my countenance they did not cast down.

|25| I chose out their derech, and sat as Rosh, and dwelt as a melech with his army, as one that comforteth the avelim (mourners).