

Job 15-17

**From Comfort to
Confrontation**

Introduction:

Three Great themes

- **Suffering**
- **Faith**
- **The sovereignty and wisdom of God**

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“After all, their own peace of mind was at stake, and they were not about to surrender. If Job was not a sinner being punished by God, then the three friends’ understanding of God was all wrong. But that meant they had not protection against personal suffering themselves”

– Wiersbe.

Introduction:

Outline of chapters 15-17

Eliphaz:

- ✓ **1-16: Job is still full of hot air and lacks understanding**
- ✓ **17-35: God judges the wicked**

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Job

- ✓ **16: a plea for sympathy and justice**
- ✓ **17: a plea for death**

Vv 15:1-16

Eliphaz: Round 2

Job Lacks Understanding

Vv 15:1-16 - Job Lacks Understanding

Luke 6:45

"A good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth good; and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart brings forth evil. For out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks.

Vv 15:17-35

God Judges the Wicked

Vv 15:17-36 – God Judges the Wicked

“When once the sledge-hammer of tradition is brought to bear there is nothing more to say... The Pharisees adopted this method with Jesus... The ‘Eliphaz’ method has hindered more souls in developing the life with God than almost any other thing.”

(Chambers – as quoted by Guzik)

Vv 16:1-5

Job Answers:

‘I’m A Windbag?’

You’re A Windbag!’

Vv 16:1-5 – Job Answers

2 Corinthians 1:3-5

Blessed [be] the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort those who are in any trouble, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God. For as the sufferings of Christ abound in us, so our consolation also abounds through Christ.

Vv 16:1-5 – Job Answers

Psalm 84:5-7

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God in Zion.*

Vv 16:6-14
Job Laments the
Rejection of His Friends

Vv 16:15-22
A Plea for Justice

Vv 17:1-16

**Job's Broken Spirit and
Pleas for Death**

Taking It Home

MEDITATION VERSE

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