

Sepher Eyob (Job)

Chapter 10

בְּנֵקֶטָה נַפְשִׁי בְּחִימָה אֲצַבָּה עַלְיִ שִׁיחִי אֲדָבָרָה בְּמַר נַפְשִׁי: Job10:1

1. naq'tah naph'shi b'chayay 'e'ez'bah `alay sichi 'adab'rah b'mar naph'shi.

Job10:1 My soul is weary of my life; I shall leave my complaint upon myself;
I shall speak in the bitterness of my soul.

<10:1> κάμνων τῇ ψυχῇ μου, στένων ἐπαφήσω ἐπ' αὐτὸν τὰ ὥρματά μου·
λαλήσω πικρίᾳ ψυχῆς μου συνεχόμενος

1 kamnōn tē psychē mou, stenōn epaphēsō ep' auton ta hrēmata mou;
Being weary in my soul, in moaning I shall let loose upon myself my sayings;
lalēsō pikriā psychēs mou synechomenos
shall speak in the bitterness of my soul, being constrained.

בְּאָמַר אֶל־אֱלֹהָךְ אֶל־תְּרַשֵּׁעָנִי הָדוּיָנִי עַל מַה־תְּרִיבָנִי: 2

2. 'omar 'el-'Eloah 'al-tar'shi`eni hodī`eni `al mah-t'ribeni.

Job10:2 I shall say to the El, Do not condemn me; Let me know why You contend with me.

<2> καὶ ἐρῶ πρὸς κύριον Μή με ἀσεβεῖν δίδασκε· καὶ διὰ τί με οὕτως ἔκρινας;

2 kai erō pros kyrion Mē me asebein didaske;
And I shall say to YHWH, not me to be impious Teach!

kai dia ti me houtōs ekrinas?
and why me have you so judged?

גַּהְטוּב לְךָ כִּי־תַּעֲשֵׂק כִּי־תִּמְאָס יְגִיעַ כְּפִירָךְ 3
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3. hatob l'ak ki-tha`ashoq ki-thim'as y'gi`a kapeyak w`al-`atsath r'sha`im hophā`at.

Job10:3 Is it good unto You that you should oppress,
that you should despise the work of Your hands, and shine upon the counsel of the wicked?

<3> ἦ καλόν σοι, ἐὰν ἀδικήσω, ὅτι ἀπείπω ἔργα χειρῶν σου,
βουλῇ δὲ ἀσεβῶν προσέσχεις;

3 ē kalon soi, ean adikēsō, hoti apeipō erga
Or is it good to you if I should transgress? that I should forbid the works
cheirōn sou, boulē de asebōn prosesches?
of your hands? the counsel and of the impious did you heed?

דַּהְעִינִי בָּשָׂר לְךָ אָמַד־כְּרָאוֹת אֲנוֹשׁ תְּרָאָה: 4

4. ha`eyney basar lak 'im-kir'oth 'enosh tir'eh.

Job10:4 Have You eyes of flesh? Or do You see as a man sees?

אַתָּה יְהוָה בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה כִּי תְּבִנֵּנוּ אֶת־בָּשָׂר־בָּנוּ;

בְּהָסֵר בָּרוֹת הָרָא קָדוֹשׁ בָּהֲרָא בְּהָרָא אֶת־בָּשָׂר־בָּנוּ?

Or as a mortal sees – do you look? or as sees a man – shall you see?

בְּעַלְמֵינוּ אַתָּה וְעַלְמֵינוּ אַתָּה וְעַלְמֵינוּ אַתָּה ۵

חַכְמֵינוּ אַנְגָּשׁ רַמְפָּךְ אַמְשָׁנָתְךָ בִּרְמֵי גָּבָר:

5. hakimey 'enosh yameyak 'im-sh'notheyak kimey gaber.

Job10:5 Are Your days as the days of a mortal, or Your years as man's days,

אַתָּה יְהוָה בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה כִּי תְּבִנֵּנוּ אֶת־בָּשָׂר־בָּנוּ;

בְּהָסֵר בָּרוֹת הָרָא קָדוֹשׁ בָּהֲרָא בְּהָרָא אֶת־בָּשָׂר־בָּנוּ?

Or your existence – is it mankind? or your years – a man's?

בְּעַלְמֵינוּ אַתָּה וְעַלְמֵינוּ אַתָּה וְעַלְמֵינוּ אַתָּה ۶

וְכִידְתַּבְקֵשׁ לְעֹנוּ וְלִחְטָאתֵינוּ תְּדַרְוֹשׁ:

6. ki-th'baqesh la`awoni ul'chata'thi thid'rosh.

Job10:6 That You should seek for my guilt and search after my sin?

אַתָּה יְהוָה בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה כִּי תְּבִנֵּנוּ אֶת־בָּשָׂר־בָּנוּ;

בְּהָסֵר בָּרוֹת הָרָא קָדוֹשׁ בָּהֲרָא בְּהָרָא אֶת־בָּשָׂר־בָּנוּ;

For you searched out my lawlessnesses, and my sins you traced.

בְּעַלְמֵינוּ אַתָּה וְעַלְמֵינוּ אַתָּה וְעַלְמֵינוּ אַתָּה ۷

וְעַלְמֵינוּ אַתָּה כִּי־לֹא אַרְשֵׁע וְאַרְשֵׁע מִידָּךְ מִצְרָיִם:

7. `al-da`t'ak ki-lo' 'er'sha` w'eyn miyad'ak matsil.

Job10:7 According to Your knowledge I am not wicked,

and there is no deliverance from Your hand.

אַתָּה יְהוָה בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה כִּי תְּבִנֵּנוּ אֶת־בָּשָׂר־בָּנוּ;

בְּהָסֵר בָּרוֹת הָרָא קָדוֹשׁ בָּהֲרָא בְּהָרָא אֶת־בָּשָׂר־בָּנוּ;

For you know that I did not act impious;

alla tis estin ho ek tōn cheirōn sou exairoumenos?

but who is the one from out of your hands rescuing?

בְּעַלְמֵינוּ אַתָּה וְעַלְמֵינוּ אַתָּה וְעַלְמֵינוּ אַתָּה ۸

חַכְמֵינוּ עַצְבּוּנִי וַיַּעֲשֵׂנִי יְחִידָךְ סְבִיב וּתְבִלְעָנִי:

8. yadeyak `its'buni waya`asuni yachad sabib wat'bal`eni.

Job10:8 Your hands have made me and fashioned me together all around,

and would You destroy me?

אַתָּה יְהוָה בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה כִּי תְּבִנֵּנוּ אֶת־בָּשָׂר־בָּנוּ;

בְּהָסֵר בָּרוֹת הָרָא קָדוֹשׁ בָּהֲרָא בְּהָרָא אֶת־בָּשָׂר־בָּנוּ;

Your hands shaped me and made me; after these things in turning you smote me.

ט זְכָר־נָא כִּי־כְחֹמֶר עֲשֵׂרַתִּי וְאֶל־עָפָר תִּשְׁיבֵנִי:

9. **z'kar-na' ki-kachomer `asithani w'el-`aphar t'shibeni.**

Job10:9 Remember now, that You have made me as clay;
and would You turn me into dust again?

<9> μνήσθητι ὅτι πηλόν με ἔπλασας, εἰς δὲ γῆν με πάλιν ἀποστρέφεις.

9 mnēsthēti hoti pēlon me eplasas, eis de gēn me palin apostrepheis.

Remember that of clay you shaped me, and unto the earth me again you return.

יְהִלְא כְּחָלָב תִּתְיכַּנִּי וּכְגַבְבָּה תִּקְפְּרָאַנִּי:

10. **halo' kechalab tatikeni w'kag'binah taq'pi'eni.**

Job10:10 Did You not pour me out like milk and curdle me like cheese;

<10> ἢ οὐχ ὥσπερ γάλα με ἥμελξας, ἐτύρωσας δέ με ἵσα τυρῷ;

10 ē ouch hōsper gala me ēmelxas, etyrōsas de me isa tyrō?

Or not as milk me did you extract, and curdled me equal to cheese?

רָא עָוָר וּבָשָׂר תִּלְבִּישֵנִי וּבְעָצָמוֹת וּגִידִים תִּסְכְּכִנִּי:

11. **`or ubasar tal'bisheni uba`atsamoth w'gidim t'sok'keni.**

Job10:11 Clothe me with skin and flesh, and knit me together with bones and sinews?

<11> δέρμα καὶ κρέας με ἐνέδυσας, ὀστέοις δὲ καὶ νεύροις με ἐνεῖρας.

11 derma kai kreas me enedysas, osteois de kai neurois me eneiras.

But skin and meat you put on me, and with bones and nerves you entwined me.

רַב חַיִם וְחֶסֶד עֲשֵׂרַת עַמְּדֵי וּפְקֻדָּתְךָ שְׁמָךָ רַויָּחִי:

12. **chayim wachedes `asitha `imadi uph'qudath'ak sham'rah ruchi.**

Job10:12 You have granted me life and favor; and Your care has preserved my spirit.

<12> ζωὴν δὲ καὶ ἔλεος ἔθου παρ' ἐμοί, ἢ δὲ ἐπισκοπή σου ἐφύλαξέν μου τὸ πνεῦμα.

12 zōēn de kai eleos ethou par' emoji, hē de episkopē sou ephylaxen mou to pneuma.

And life mercy you put upon me, and by your overseeing you guarded my spirit.

רַגְוָאַלָּה צְפַנְתָּ בְּלַבְבָּךְ יַדְעַתִּי כִּי־זֹאת עַמְּךָ:

13. **w'eleh tsaphan'at bil'babeak yada'ti ki-zo'th `imak.**

Job10:13 Yet these things You have hid in Your heart; I know that this is within You:

<13> ταῦτα ἔχων ἐν σεαυτῷ οἶδα ὅτι πάντα δύνασαι, ἀδυνατεῖ δέ σοι οὐθέν.

13 tauta echōn en seautō oida hoti panta dynasai,

Having these things in yourself, I know that all things you are able to do;
adynatei de soi outhen.

is impossible and with you not one thing.

יד אָם־חַטָּאתִי וְשִׁמְרָתִנִּי וּמְעֹנוּנִי לֹא תִּנְקַנֵּנִי:
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14. 'im-chata'thi ush'mar'tani u'me'awoni lo' th'naqeni.

Job10:14 If I sin, then You watch me, and would not acquit me of my guilt.

<14> ἐάν τε γὰρ ἀμάρτω, φυλάσσεις με, ἀπὸ δὲ ἀνομίας οὐκ ἀθῷόν με πεποίηκας.

14 ean te gar hamartō, phylasseis me,

For if I should sin, you guard me;

apo de anomias ouk athōn me pepoiēkas.

but from lawlessness not innocent me you have appointed.

טו אָמֵן־רְשֻׁעָתִי אֶלְלִי לֵי וְצִדְקָתִי לֹא־אֲשָׁא רָאשִׁי שְׁבֻעַ קָלוֹן:
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וַיָּרַא אֵת עָנֵרִי:
15. 'im-rasha'ti 'al'lay li w'tsadaq'ti lo'-esa' ro'shi s'ba` qalon ur'eh `an'yi.

Job10:15 If I am wicked, woe to me! And if I am righteous, I shall not lift up my head.
I am filled with disgrace and see you mine affliction.

<15> ἐάν τε γὰρ ἀσεβὴς ὁ, οἵμμοι· ἐάν τε ὁ δίκαιος,
οὐ δύναμαι ἀνακύψαι, πλήρως γὰρ ἀτιμίας εἰμί.

15 ean te gar asebēs ō, oimmoi; ean te ō dikaios,

For if I should be impious, alas; but if I might be just,

ou dynamai anakuuai, plērēs gar atimias eimi.

I am not able to lift myself up, full for of dishonor I am.

טו וַיָּגַךְ כְּשַׁחַל תְּצִוָּהנִי וַתְּשַׁבְּתָה תִּתְפְּלַא־בִּי:
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16. w'yig'eh kashachal t'tsudeni w'thashob tit'h'pala'-bi.

Job10:16 And if it increases, You would hunt me like a lion;
and again You would show Your power against me.

<16> ἀγρεύομαι γὰρ ὥσπερ λέων εἰς σφαγήν, πάλιν δὲ μεταβαλὼν δεινῶς με ὀλέκεις
16 agreeuomai gar hōsper leōn eis sphagēn,

For I am caught as a lion for slaughter;

palin de metabolōn deinōs me olekeis

and again in turning awfully me you destroy;

יז תְּחַדֵּשׁ גִּזְעָדִיק נְגָדִי וְתַרְבֵּכְעַשְׂךְ עַמְּדִי חַלְיָפּוֹת וְצַבָּא עַמְּרִי:
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17. t'chadesh `edeyak neg'di w'thereb ka`as'k `imadi chaliphoth w'tsaba' `imi.

Job10:17 You renew Your witnesses against me and increase Your anger toward me;
Changes and war are against me.

<17> ἐπανακαινίζων ἐπ' ἐμὲ τὴν ἔτασίν μου·
ὅργῃ δὲ μεγάλῃ μοι ἔχρησω, ἐπήγαγες δὲ ἐπ' ἐμὲ πειρατήρια.

17 epanakainizōn ep' eme tēn etasin mou;
renewing upon me my chastisement;
orgē de megalē moi echrēsō, epēgagēs de ep' eme peiratēria.
anger in great you dealt with me, and you brought against me trails.

יְהוָה מֵרַחֲם הַצָּאתִי אֶגְנֹע וְעַז לְאַתְּרָנִי 18

18. w'lamah merechem hotse'thani 'eg'wa` w'ayin lo'-thir'eni.

Job10:18 Why then have You brought me out of the womb?
Would that I had died and no eye had seen me!

<18> οὐν τί οὐν ἐκ κοιλίας με ἐξήγαγες, καὶ οὐκ ἀπέθανον, ὁφθαλμὸς δέ με οὐκ εἶδεν,
18 hina ti oun ek koilias me exēgages,
Why then in the belly did you lead me out,
kai ouk apethanon, ophthalmos de me ouk eiden,
and I did not die, that an eye me did not see,

יְתִכְאַשֵּׁר לְאַתְּרִיתִי אֲחִיה מִבְּטָן לְקֶבֶר אַוְבָּל 19

19. ka'asher lo'-hayithi 'eh'yeh mibeten laqaber 'ubal.

Job10:19 I should have been as though I had not been, carried from womb to tomb.

<19> καὶ ὥσπερ οὐκ ὣν ἐγενόμην; διὰ τί γὰρ ἐκ γαστρὸς εἰς μνῆμα οὐκ ἀπηλλάγην;
19 kai hôsper ouk ôn egenomēn?

and that as if one not being I became?

dia ti gar ek gastros eis mnēma ouk apēllagēn?
For why from the womb unto the tomb was I not dismissed?

כְּהַלְא-מַעַט יְמִי יְחִדָּל יְשִׁיחַת מִמְנִי וְאֶבְלִיכָה מַעַט 20

20. halo'-m`at yamay yech'dal yashith mimeni w'ab'ligah m`at.

Job10:20 Are not my days few? Cease then, and let me alone,
that I may take comfort a little,

<20> ἢ οὐκ ὀλίγος ἔστιν ὁ χρόνος τοῦ βίου μου; ἔασόν με ἀναπαύσασθαι μικρὸν
20 ē ouk oligos estin ho chronos tou biou mou? eason me anapausasthai mikron
Or not little is the time of my existence? Allow me to rest a little!

כְּאַבְטָרֵם אַלְך וְלֹא אַשּׁוּב אַלְאַרְץ חֹשֶׁך וְצַלְמוֹת 21

21. b'terem 'elek w'lo' 'ashub 'el-'erets choshek w'tsal'maweth.

Job10:21 before I go and I shall not return to the land of darkness and deep shadow,

<21> πρὸ τοῦ με πορευθῆναι ὅθεν οὐκ ἀναστρέψω, εἰς γῆν σκοτεινὴν καὶ γνοφεράν,

21 pro tou me poreuthēnai hōthen ouk anastrepsō, eis gēn skoteinēn kai gnopheran,
before my going from where I shall not return, unto a land dark and dim;

כִּי אָרֶץ עַיְלָתָה כְּמוֹ אָפָל צְלָמֹת
וְלֹא סְדָרִים וְתִפְעָן כְּמוֹ אָפָל: פָּ

22. 'erets `eyphathah k'mo 'ophel tsal'maweth w'lo' s'darim watopha` k'mo-'ophel.

Job10:22 The land of **obscurity**, as darkness itself and of deep shadow **without** any **order**,
and which shines as the darkness.

εἰς γῆν σκότους αἰωνίου, οὐδὲ οὐκ ἔστιν φέγγος οὐδὲ δύραν ζωὴν βροτῶν.

22 eis gēn skotous aiōniou,
unto a land darkness of eternal,

hou ouk estin pheggos oude horan zōēn brotōn.

where there is no brightness, nor seeing the life of mortals.