

*Bildad Says Man Is Inferior*

25:1 **T**HEN Bildad the Shuhite <sup>1</sup>answered,

- 2 “<sup>a</sup>Dominion and awe <sup>1</sup>belong to Him  
Who establishes peace in <sup>b</sup>His heights.  
3 “Is there any number to <sup>a</sup>His troops?  
And upon whom does His light not rise?  
4 “How then can a man be <sup>a</sup>just with God?  
Or how can he be <sup>b</sup>clean who is born of woman?  
5 “If even <sup>a</sup>the moon has no brightness  
And the <sup>b</sup>stars are not pure in His sight,  
6 How much less <sup>a</sup>man, *that* <sup>b</sup>maggot,

And the son of man, *that* worm!”

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<sup>1</sup> Lit., *answered and said*

<sup>a</sup> Job 9:4; 36:5, 22; 37:23; 42:2

<sup>1</sup> Lit., *are with Him*

<sup>b</sup> Job 16:19; 31:2

<sup>a</sup> Job 16:13

<sup>a</sup> Job 4:17; 9:2

<sup>b</sup> Job 14:4

<sup>a</sup> Job 31:26

<sup>b</sup> Job 15:15

<sup>a</sup> Job 7:17

<sup>b</sup> Job 17:14

<sup>i</sup>*The New American Standard Bible*, (La Habra, California: The Lockman Foundation) 1977.