

# Leavetaking & Resignation

Job 31.5-8

## 1. Job's journey

- a. loneliness
- b. social isolation
- c. confusion
- d. anger
- e. depression
- f. anxiety
- g. shame
- h. fear
- j. loss of credibility
- j. dependency
- k. self esteem
- l. physical pain

## 2. Catalog of desperation

- a. **Job 31.7** - If my step hath turned out of the way
- b. **Job 31.9** - If mine heart have been deceived by a woman
- c. **Job 31.13** - If I did despise the cause of my manservant
- d. **Job 31.16-17** - Or have eaten my morsel myself alone
- e. **Job 31.19** - If I have seen any perish for want of clothing
- f. **Job 31.25** - If I rejoiced because my wealth was great
- g. **Job 31.26-27** - And my heart hath been secretly enticed
- h. **Job 31.29** - If I rejoiced at the destruction of him that hated me
- i. **Job 31.33** - If I covered my transgressions as Adam

## 3. The Imposition of punishment

- a. **Job 31.8** - Then let me sow, and let another eat
- b. **Job 31.10-11** - Then let my wife grind unto another
- c. **Job 31.22** - Then let mine arm fall from my shoulder blade

## 4. A sense of judgment & justice

- a. **Job 31.4** - Doth not he see my ways, and count all my steps
- b. **Job 31.6** - Let me be weighed in an even balance
- c. **Job 31.23** - For destruction from God was a terror to me
- d. **Job 31.35** - Oh that one would hear me

## 5. Reaquest for guidance

- a. **Job 31.14** - What then shall I do when God riseth up
- b. **Job 31.35-36** - and that mine adversary had written a book

## 6. Job 31.40 - The words of Job are ended

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### 2. Catalog of desperation

**Job 31.7** - If my step hath turned out of the way, and mine heart walked after mine eyes, and if any blot hath cleaved to mine hands

**Job 31.9** - If mine heart have been deceived by a woman, or if I have laid wait at my neighbour's door

**Job 31.13** - If I did despise the cause of my manservant or of my maidservant, when they contended with me;

**Job 31.16-17** - If I have withheld the poor from their desire, or have caused the eyes of the widow to fail; 17: Or have eaten my morsel myself alone, and the fatherless hath not eaten thereof

**Job 31.19** - If I have seen any perish for want of clothing, or any poor without covering

**Job 31.25** - If I rejoiced because my wealth was great, and because mine hand had gotten much

**Job 31.26-27** - If I beheld the sun when it shined, or the moon walking in brightness; 27: And my heart hath been secretly enticed, or my mouth hath kissed my hand:

**Job 31.29** - If I rejoiced at the destruction of him that hated me, or lifted up myself when evil found him

**Job 31.33** - If I covered my transgressions as Adam, by hiding mine iniquity in my bosom

### 3. The Imposition of punishment

**Job 31.8** - Then let me sow, and let another eat; yea, let my offspring be rooted out.

**Job 31.10-11** - Then let my wife grind unto another, and let others bow down upon her. 11: For this is an heinous crime; yea, it is an iniquity to be punished by the judges

**Job 31.22** - Then let mine arm fall from my shoulder blade, and mine arm be broken from the bone

### 4. A sense of judgment & justice

**Job 31.4** - Doth not he see my ways, and count all my steps?

**Job 31.6** - Let me be weighed in an even balance, that God may know mine integrity.

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**Job 31.23** - For destruction from God was a terror to me, and by reason of his highness I could not endure.

**Job 31.35** - Oh that one would hear me!

### **5. Request for guidance**

**Job 31.14** - What then shall I do when God riseth up? and when he visiteth, what shall I answer him?

**Job 31.35-36** - behold, my desire is, that the Almighty would answer me, and that mine adversary had written a book. 36: Surely I would take it upon my shoulder, and bind it as a crown to me.

### **6. Job 31.40 - The words of Job are ended**