**Chiastic Structure of the Book of Job, Part 83**

**K.’ The Rebuke of Elihu to Job and Friends (32:1-33:33)**

A. Hear My Wrath (32:1-5)

B. Hear My Words (32:6-22)

**B.’Hear My Words (33:1-30)**

A.’ Hear My Wisdom (33:31-33)

**PREMISE: The young and unknown Elihu (“my God is he”) came on the scene and rebuked the three friends and Job in his first of four speeches. He was full of wrath, words, and wisdom, so he thought. He is unanswered by friends, Job, and God! The contribution of 3 friends: Job had secret sin that brought suffering. Proud Elihu argued that Job was proud of his righteousness. Elihu: Prolixity > Pride: Job 33:17;35:12; 41:15, 34; > 3 old sinners; 1 young sinner; 1 perfect sinner! Who repented?**

**B.’Hear My Words (33:1-30)**

***1. My Speeches to Job (vv. 1-7)***

**a. My Proclamation (v. 1)**

1) His Commands

a) Hear > Imperative *shama`* (1159x)

b) Hearken > Imperative *‘azan* (41x) > literally “give ear”

2) His Conveyance > all speeches and words

a) Speeches > *millah* (38x)

b) Words > *davar* (1439x)

**b. My Process (v. 2)** > take him seriously or *“tongue in cheek”*? > Mt. 16:21-23; 17:4!

1) Mouth > *peh* (497x)

2) Tongue > *lashon*

1’) Mouth > *chec* (18x) > palate (roof of mouth) > English “cheek”

**c. My Profit (v. 3)** > I have integrity!

1) Comes from my Heart > *“uprightness* (Job 1:1) *of my heart”*

2) Comes from my Head > knowledge > *da`ath* (93x) “data” > Job 34:35; 35:16.

**d. My Person** (vv. 4-7)

1) My Creation (v. 4)

a) His Creator > Spirit of God and Almighty

b) His Commonality > Gen. 2:7 > physical (clay) + spiritual (breath) = Soul-hood or Person-hood! > “Modified Tripartism” > 3 aspects to man!

2) My Charge (v. 5)

a) Set up with Arguments > *`arak* (I Sam. 17:2)

b) Stand up to Attention > take your stand for your defense

3) My Conciliation (v. 6)

a) As a Mediator > I Tim. 2:5 > 3:16

b) As a Man > Job 9:32-33

4) My Comfort (v. 7) 9:34; 13:21

a) In his Terror > see Job 9:34; 13:21

b) In his Touch > see Ps. 32:4 > the heavy hand of the Lord

***2. My Summary of Job (vv. 8-13)***

***3. My Scrutiny for Job (vv. 14-30) >*** a. Concerning God (14-24) b. Concerning Man (25-30)

**CONCLUSION: Elihu, a stranger to modesty, wanted to set Job straight! He took seven more verses to prepare Job for his exhaustive prolixity!**