**Chiastic Structure of the Book of Job, Part 85**

**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) > 8-13, 14-30**

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! Job and his antagonists had a biblical world view. God had given and used sleep and dreams for the benefit of Adam’s race.**

***3. My Scrutiny for Job (vv. 14-30)***

**a. Concerning Jehovah (14-24)** > *Once* in Sleep[[1]](#footnote-1) (vv. 14-18), *Twice:* in Suffering (vv. 19-24)

***1) He Speaks through Dreams (vv. 14-18)*** > Heb. 1:1-2 (directly, dreams, visions, *Urim* and *Thummim*, angels, etc.; Gen. 31:10-11; 37:5-6, 9-10; 40:5; 46:2; Dan. 2:3-9, 26, 36; 10:9; *et al.*

 a) The *Forms of Revelation* (vv. 14-15)

 (1) In a Dream (vv. 14-15a) > *chalom* (65x)[[2]](#footnote-2)

 (a) Deep Sleep > *tardemah* (7x) > Gen. 2:21; Job 4:13

 (b) Slumberings > *tenuwmah* (5x) > Prov. 6:9-11

 (2) In a Vision (v. 15b) > *chizzayon* (9x) > II Sam. 7:17

 b) The *Focus of Revelation* (vv. 16-18)

 (1) His Warning (vv. 16-17)

 (a) His Execution of Warning

 [1] Through Communication (v. 16)

 [2] For Caution (v. 17)

 (b) His Example of Warning > **Abimelech** (Gen. 20:3, 6)

 (2) His Wrath (v. 18)

 (a) Exemption from Pit (*shachath* 14/23x) and Perishing (*`avar* 559x)

 (b) Example > **Laban** (Gen. 31:24)

***2) He Speaks through Distress (vv. 19-24)***

**CONCLUSION**: Two thousand years BC, the Lord gave revelatory truth by various means including conscience, creation, and commands, even through dreams while sleeping, for the benefit of men.

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b. Concerning Job (25-30)

1) The Restoration of Job (v. 25)

2) The Repentance for Job (vv. 26-30)

**A.’ Hear My Wisdom (33:31-33)**

1. **Value from Sleep** > Pss. 4:8; 16:7; 42:8; 77:6; 149:5; Prov. 3:24. **Vanity and Sleep** > Ps. 6:6; Ps. 127:2; Prov. 19:15; Eccl. 2:23; Jonah 1:6. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Sleep expert M. Walker (Harvard) stressed the need for dreams and REM (rapid eye movement) which gives “natural” psychosis (loss of contact with reality) in contrast to “unnatural” psychosis: Dreams or Drugs? Sleep causes the following natural or “biblical psychosis:” 1. Hallucinations; 2. Delusions; 3. Disorientation; 4. Labile – chemical changes; 5. Amnesia. The previous experiences occur in the God-given gift of sleep with dreaming. Enjoy your psychotic behaviour in the safe and beneficial realm of dreaming! [↑](#footnote-ref-2)