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**D. The Dialogue of Eliphaz and Job (**[**4:1-7:21**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Job4%3A1-7%3A21&version=NRSV)**)**

E. The Dialogue of Bildad and Job ([8:1-10:22](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Job8%3A1-10%3A22&version=NRSV))

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**E.’ The Monologue of Job (40:3-5)**

 **D.’ The Monologue of the LORD (**[**40:6-41:34**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Job40%3A6-41%3A26&version=NRSV)**)**

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**PREMISE: The LORD intensified His focus upon the heart of Job which was full of pride and who put himself on the same level as God. Our pride exalts us to the level that we think we can criticize God since we are experts in criticizing His creation! Hey Job, the dusty “Critic,” tell me about your criticism of Behemoth or Leviathan!**

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**1. Job’s Criticisms (40:6-14)**

 a. The Divine Challenge (vv. 6-10)

 b. The Divine Condemnation (vv. 11-13)

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**2. Jehovah’s Creatures (40:15-41:34)**

 ***a. The Ancient Behemoth (vv. 15-24)***

***b. The Ancient Leviathan (vv. 41:1-34)*** > hy"w>li *Livyah* > resembling a wreath or twisted garland ornament (Prov. 1:9; 4:9). It’s not a fire-breathing crocodile or whale! Cf.Bombardier beetle shoots hot gas from tail! Since it has multiple heads it must be “the mythological creature destroyed in the primordial battle”?! Most evolutionist-influenced Bible “experts” think it is Canaanite myth!

**1) The Absolute Challenge (vv. 1-7)**

*a) Its Designation (v. 1a)*

(1) It is only destroyed by God > multiple heads (Ps. 74:13-14)

 (2) It swims in the shipping lanes (Ps. 104:26)

 (3) It is a piercing and crooked serpent (Isa. 27:1)

*b) Its Denial (vv. 1b-2)*

 (1) It rejected hooks (v. 1b) > catch with fishing angle (Isa. 19:8)

 (2) It rejected cords (v. 1b) > bind tongue or jaw with a cord?

 (3) It rejected hook in its nose (v. 2)

 (4) It rejected thorn in its jaw (v. 2)

*c) Its Demeanor (vv. 3-6)*

 (1) It won’t beg for mercy or soft handling (v. 3)

 (2) It won’t be a pet covenanting for food (v. 4)

(3) It won’t be a tamed pet like a bird or a plaything for girls > “what do you have in your pink little baby carriage? A baby leviathan!” (v. 5)

 (4) It won’t be caught to banquet upon or to be sold (v. 6)

*d) Its Defense (v. 7)*

(1) It has impenetrable flesh which resists barbed irons or harpoons

 (2) It has thick flesh around the head which resists spears

**CONCLUSION: Job, while in the dust, what part of Behemoth or Leviathan do you want to criticize about My creation? In your pride if you can’t criticize them, should you criticize their Creator?**

2) The Awesome Characteristics (vv. 8-33)

 a)

 b)

 c)

1’) The Assumed Challenge (v. 34)