

**40** Moreover Hashem answered Iyov, and said,

|2| Shall he that contendeth with Shaddai correct him? The mokhiach Eloah (rebuker of G-d), let him answer it.  
 |3| Then Iyov answered Hashem, and said,  
 |4| See, I am vile; what shall I answer Thee? I will lay mine yad upon my mouth.  
 |5| Once have I spoken, but I will not answer; yea, shtayim (twice), but I will proceed no further.  
 |6| Then answered Hashem unto Iyov out of the whirlwind, and said,  
 |7| Gird up thy loins now like a gever. I will question thee, and thou shall answer Me.  
 |8| Wilt thou also annul My mishpat (justice)? Wilt thou condemn Me, that thou mayest be justified?  
 |9| Hast thou a zero'a like El? Or canst thou thunder with a kol (voice) like Him?  
 |10| Adorn thyself now with majesty and excellency; and array thyself with hod (glory) and hadar (splendor).  
 |11| Unleash thy evrot af (furious wrath); and behold every one that is proud, and bring him low.  
 |12| Look on every one that is proud, and humble him, and tread down the resha'im in their place.  
 |13| Bury them in the apher together; shroud their faces in the crypt.  
 |14| Then odecha (will I confess, admit unto thee) that thine own right hand can save thee.  
 |15| Hinei now behemot (hippopotamus), which I made along with thee; he eateth grass like an ox.  
 |16| Hinei now, his koach is in his loins, and his force is in the sinews of his beten (belly).  
 |17| He moveth his zanav (tail) like a cedar branch; the

sinews of his thighs are firmly interwoven.

|18| His atzmot are like tubes of nechoshet; his limbs are like rods of barzel (iron).  
 |19| He is the reshit (firstling) of the ways of El; He, his Maker, can approach it with His cherev.  
 |20| Surely the harim bring forth food for him, where all the wild beasts play.  
 |21| He lieth under the shade of lotus plants, beseter (in the covert) of the reed and marsh.  
 |22| The lotus plants cover him with their shadow; the willows by the nakhal (brook, stream) surround him.  
 |23| See, when the nahar (river) rages, he is not alarmed; he is confident, though Yarden breaketh forth upon his mouth.  
 |24| While he is looking can one capture him? With mokeshim (hooks) can one pierce his nose?

**41** Canst thou draw out Leviathan with a khakah (fishhook)? Or tie down his leshon with a cord?  
 |2 (26)| Canst thou put a hook into his af (nose)? Or bore his jaw through with a barb?  
 |3 (27)| Will he make many tachanunim unto thee? Will he speak soft words unto thee?  
 |4 (28)| Will he make a brit (covenant) with thee? Wilt thou take him for an eved olam?  
 |5 (29)| Wilt thou play with him as with a pet bird? Or wilt thou leash him for thy na'arot (maidens)?  
 |6 (30)| Shall traders barter for him? Shall they divide him among the Kena'anim (Canaanites, merchants)?  
 |7 (31)| Canst thou fill his ohr (skin) with harpoons? Or his head with fishing spears?

|8 (32)| Lay thine hand upon him; remember the milchamah. Thou wilt not do it more.  
 |9 (41:1)| See, every tokhelet (expectation) is false; shall not one be cast down even at the sight of him?  
 |10 (41:2)| None is so foolhardy that dare stir him up. Mi (who) then is able to stand before Me?  
 |11 (41:3)| Mi (who) hath given Me, that I must repay him? Whatsoever is under the kol HaShomayim is Mine.  
 |12 (41:4)| I will not keep silent about his members, nor his gevurah, nor the grace of his form.  
 |13 (41:5)| Mi (who) can remove his outer garment? Or mi (who) can come near him with a double bridle?  
 |14 (41:6)| Mi (who) can open the doors of his face? Terror is round about his teeth.  
 |15 (41:7)| His scales are his ga'avah (pride), shut up together as with a rigid chotam (seal).  
 |16 (41:8)| One is so near to another, that no ruach (air) can pass between them.  
 |17 (41:9)| They are joined one to another; they stick together, inseparably.  
 |18 (41:10)| By his sneezings ohr flares out, and his eyes are like the eyelids of the shachar.  
 |19 (41:11)| Out of his mouth goeth flame, and sparks of eish leap out.  
 |20 (41:12)| Out of his nostrils goeth forth smoke, like a seething pot or caldron.  
 |21 (41:13)| His breath kindleth coals, and a flame goeth out of his mouth.  
 |22 (41:14)| In his neck resideth oz (strength), and terror dances before him.  
 |23 (41:15)| The flanks of his basar are joined together; they are firm in themselves, immoveable.