

The Argument of 49:14-51:8

Speaker	Ref	
Zion ↔ Lord	49:14-26	Zion laments her desolation The Lord promises the return of her children and judgment on her enemies
Lord → Zion's Children	50:1-3	Their sin has caused Zion's desolation. Why will nobody respond to his call?
Servant	50:4-9	An Example of the Unheeded Call. His Mission: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •4 “the tongue of the learned” •5-6 obedient though rejected •7-9 trusting in the Lord for vindication
Isaiah	50:10	“obey[] the voice of his [the Lord's] Servant”
Servant	50:11-51:8	His Message: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •11 Warning against self-righteousness •51:1, 4, 7 “Hearken” to find “my righteousness”

50:4-9, The Lord's Past and Future Care for the Servant

4 **The Lord GOD hath given me the tongue** of the learned, that I should know how to speak a word in season to *him that is weary*: ...

5 **The Lord GOD hath opened mine ear**, and I was not rebellious, neither turned away back. ...

7 For **the Lord GOD will help me**; therefore shall I not be confounded: ...

9 Behold, **the Lord GOD will help me**; who *is he that shall condemn me?* ...

Judgment Roles in 50:8-9

Deut 25:1 “the judges ... shall **justify** the righteous, and **condemn** the wicked”

8 **He** is near **that justifieth me**;

who will contend with me?
let us stand together:

who is mine adversary?
let him come near to me.

9 Behold, the Lord GOD will help
me;
who is **he that shall condemn**
me?

**The
Accuser**

**The
Judge**

Progressive Revelation and the Hourglass

Rom 8:33-34

33 **Who shall lay any thing to the charge** of God's elect? *It is* God that **justifieth**. 34 **Who is he that condemneth**? *It is* Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us.

Isa 50:8-9

He is near that **justifieth** me; **who will contend with me**? let us stand together: **who is mine adversary**? let him come near to me. 9 Behold, the Lord GOD will help me; **who is he that shall condemn me**? lo, they all shall **wax old as a garment; the moth shall eat them up**.

Job 13-14

18 Behold now, I have ordered *my* cause; I know that I shall be **justified**. 19 **Who is he that will plead with me**? ... 28 And he, as a rotten thing, **consumeth, as a garment that is moth eaten**.

The Church, the
Body of the
Messiah

Messiah

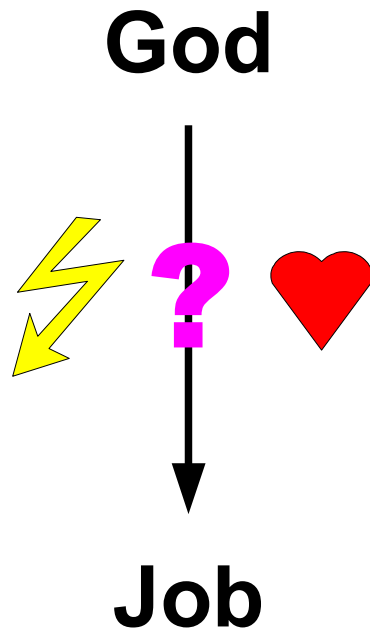
My Servants
the Prophets
My Servant Job
My Servant Israel

50:8-9 The Servant and Job

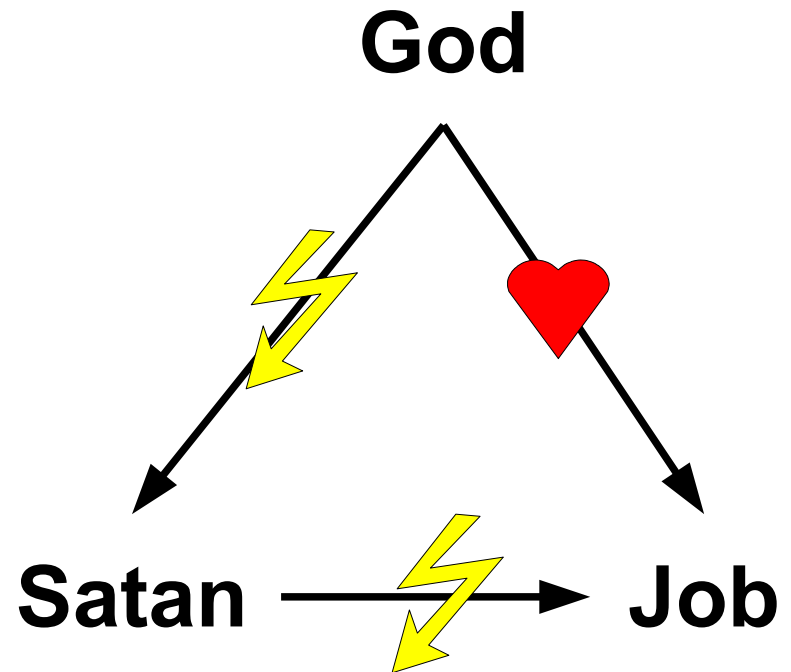
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Behind the Scenes

Job's Perspective



The Book of Job's Perspective



Progressive Revelation

Isa 50:7-9

- The Servant is suffering
- The Servant trusts God to judge him
- God is near
- The adversaries will be destroyed

Job 1-2

- Job and God are not the only two players
- There is an Adversary

Job 13-14

- Job is suffering
- Job asks God to judge him
- God is distant
- Job expects destruction