

. Job 17
New King James Version (NKJV)

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Job Prays for Relief

. 1 “My spirit is broken,
My days are extinguished, The grave is ready
for me.

. 2 Are not mockers with me?
And does not my eye dwell on their
provocation?

. 3 “Now put down a pledge for me with
Yourself. Who is he who will shake hands with
me?

. 4 For You have hidden their heart from
understanding; Therefore You will not exalt
them.

. 5 He who speaks flattery to his friends,
Even the eyes of his children will fail.

. 6 “But He has made me a byword of the
people, And I have become one in whose face

men spit.

. 7 My eye has also grown dim because of sorrow, And all my members are like shadows.

. 8 Upright men are astonished at this, And the innocent stirs himself up against the hypocrite.

. 9 Yet the righteous will hold to his way, And he who has clean hands will be stronger and

. stronger.

. 10 “But please, come back again, all of you, For I shall not find one wise man among you.

. 11 My days are past, My purposes are broken off, Even the thoughts of my heart.

. 12 They change the night into day; ‘The light is near,’ they say, in the face of

darkness.

- . 13 If I wait for the grave as my house, If I make my bed in the darkness,

- . 14 If I say to corruption, ‘You are my father,’
And to the worm, ‘You are my mother and my sister,’

- . 15 Where then is my hope?
As for my hope, who can see it?

- . 16 Will they go down to the gates of Sheol?
Shall we have rest together in the dust?”

