

Chapter 37

Eliu continueth his difcourfe, shewing Gods wifdom, powre, and iuftice, by his meruelous workes of Meteors, 14. and vfe therof to mans commoditie: 18. which the wifeft man fufficiently vnderftand not, much leffe may prefume (as he vniuftly chargeth Iob) to contend with God.

Vpon ^athis my hart is fore afrayd, and is moued out of his place. ² Heare ye his fpeech in the terrour of his voice, and the found proceeding out of his mouth. ³ Vnder al the heauens he confidereth, and his light is vpon the endes of the earth. ⁴ After him fhall founding roare, he fhall thunder with the voice of his greatnes, & fhall not be found out when his voice shall be heard. ⁵ God shall thunder in his voice merueloufly, he that doeth great & vnfearecheable thinges. ⁶ He that commandeth the fnow to defcend vpon the earth, and the winter raines, and the shower of his ftrengh. ⁷ He that figneth in the hand of al men, that euerie one may know his workes. ⁸ The beaft shall enter into his couert, and shall abide in his denne. ⁹ From the inner partes shall tempeft come forth, and cold from ^bArcturus. ¹⁰ When God bloweth froft congeleth, and againe waters are powred moft largely. ¹¹ Corne defireth clowdes, and the clowdes fpred their light. ¹² Which goe round about, whither foeuer the wil of ^cthe gouerner shall lead them, to al that he shall cōmand them vpon the face of the whole earth. ¹³ Whether in one tribe or in his land, or in what place foeuer of his mercy he shall command them to be found. ¹⁴ Harken to thefe things Iob: ftand, and confider the maruels of God. ¹⁵ Doeft thou know when

^a Confideration of heauenly rewardes mentioned in the end of the former chapter, comforteth the afflicted: but thunder and other meteors being figures of Gods iudgement, ftrike the hart with terrour.

^b North wind, or north pole.

^c God directeth the clowdes in the ayre as a mafter mariner gouerneth a fhippe.

God commanded the raines, that they shew the light of his clowdes? ¹⁶ Knowest thou the great pathes of the clowdes, and the perfect knowledges? ¹⁷ Are not thy garments hote, when the earth shal be blowen with the South winde? ¹⁸ Thou perhaps madst the heauens with him, which are moft found, cast as it were of brasse. ¹⁹ Shew vs what we may say to him: for we are wrapped in darkenes. ²⁰ Who shal tel him the things that I speake? yea if man shal speake, he shal be deuoured. ²¹ But now they see not the light: suddenly the ayre shal be thickned into clowdes, and the wind passing by shal driue them away. ²² From the North gold cometh, & toward God ^afearful praying. ²³ We can not find him worthely: great of strength, and iudgement, and iustice, and he can not be vttered. ²⁴ Therefore shal men feare him, and al that come to themselves to be wise, shal not dare to behold ^bhim.

^a Man not able to praise God sufficiently, prayeth him with feare.

^b Iob convinced the former three with sound answers, this last and most arrogant with silence.