# The Argument of 49:14-51:8

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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?*
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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.
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19 Who *is* he *that* will *plead* with me? ... | **8** *He is* near that **justifieth** me; who will *contend* with me? let us stand together: who *is* mine adversary [master of my *cause*]? let him come near to me.  
**9** ... who *is* he *that* shall condemn me? |
| 28 And he, as a rotten thing, **consumeth**, as a garment that is **moth eaten**. | **lo**, they all shall **wax old as a garment**; the **moth** shall **eat** them up. |
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**Job 13-14**
- Job is suffering
- Job asks God to judge him
- God is distant
- Job expects destruction

**Job 1-2**
- Job and God are not the only two players
- There is an Adversary

**Isa 50:7-9**
- The Servant is suffering
- The Servant trusts God to judge him
- God is near
- The adversaries will be destroyed

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