



OUR QUESTIONS: The Book of Job

Session 1

Opening Prayer:

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we give You thanks that by the patient suffering and death of Your Son You rescued us from all faithlessness. By Your Word and Spirit, teach us to commend ourselves to You and to trust that in all things You work for our eternal good. Strengthen us to bear all crosses, adversities, and trials with patience and fervent trust in You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Study:

Q: There are many circumstances in this life which can leave one with huge questions. What are some of the big questions you would ask God if you had the chance?

Read Job 1 and 2.

Q: How is Job described? (Job 1:1-8) And what does he do in regards to his children to prove his character? (Job 1:4-5)

Q: What is Satan's accusation against Job? (Job 1:9-10)

Q: What is Satan's plan to cause Job to no longer fear God? (Job 1:11)

Q: What things are taken away from Job? (Job 1:13-19)

Q: What is his response? Is it the response you would have? (Job 1:20-21)

Q: Job 2 appears at first to be a repetition of Job 1. But what does Job lose this time? (Job 2:7—8)

Q: What is his response? Is this the response you would have? (Job 2:9-10)

Read Job 3.

Q: In Job 3, what does Job wish had happened long before his suffering began? (Job 3:1ff)

Q: What question is at the heart of his laments? (Job 2:20,23)

Closing Prayer

Almighty God, you sustained your servant Job even when Satan brought great suffering upon him. Sustain us through every trial and trouble. Give us faith to receive all things from your hand, believing that you are loving and work all things together for good. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

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