

WHEN _____ COMES

JOB 1

Intro: The book of Job is considered to be the oldest book in the Bible. Interesting that the oldest book would be a book about the hard times of life and how to have victory in those hard times. Job knew _____ about Satan's challenge to God and had no idea that Satan was using him as a tool for _____ the Lord. Job also did not know that God would use his sufferings to _____ Satan. God's people are soldiers on the battlefield, but there are times when they are the _____! Apart from the Book of Job, Job is mentioned in two other places in Scripture: **Ezekiel 14:14-20**-reference to Job's _____; **James 5:11**-Job's _____.

I. Where Job was with God, his family and society Vs 1-5

A. Vs 1—_____ description of Job

1. Perfect-beyond _____, but not sinless or flawless
2. Upright-Exodus 15:26; Deut 12:28
3. Feared God-reverential fear and respect of God; It was the fear of God that _____ Job from evil (Pro 8:13).
4. Eschewed/Shunned evil-to _____ or put a space between one's self and sin Cf. Psalm 1

B. Vs 2-3—Job's status in the _____

1. Married and the father of 7 sons and 3 daughters
2. _____ as a business man
 - a. 7,000 sheep
 - b. 3,000 camels
 - c. 1,000 oxen
 - d. 500 female donkeys
 - e. A large enough staff to maintain his estate

C. Vs 4-5—Job's _____ status with God

1. He took his role as spiritual _____ of his family seriously
2. He was discerning concerning the _____ needs of his children
3. He made it a point to _____ for his family before God

II. The warfare that is not _____ by human eyes Vs 6-12

A. The report of the angels Vs 6

B. Satan also came before the Throne of God Vs 7

1. _____ to God
2. Reporting his _____ to God

C. _____ brings up the subject of Job to Satan Vs 8

1. God did not "throw Job to the _____"
2. God had a plan that neither Job nor Satan _____
3. God told Satan what a _____ man Job was

D. Satan makes unfounded accusations, which he has always done Vs 9-11

1. Satan's _____ was that Job only served because of what God was doing for Job Vs 9-10
2. Due to his own _____ he believed that Job would abandon God if the blessing of God was removed Vs 11
 - a. Satan did not understand that one of God's created beings could serve God out of _____ and not as a means of self-reward
 - b. Satan made a horrific _____ against Job Vs 11b

E. Knowing the heart of Job, God chose to prove Satan _____ Vs 12

- III. The disaster in Job's life (In all these events, satan performed his vicious attack on Job by making it look like other people or _____ was behind it all) **Vs 13-19**
- A. The stealing of his part of his livestock and the killing of part of his staff by thieves **Vs 14-15**
 - B. The "fire of _____" came from Heaven and destroyed more of his livestock and killed more of his staff **Vs 16**
 - C. The rest of his livestock were stolen and the rest of his support staff were killed by other thieves **Vs 17**
 - D. A great wind came and destroyed the home in which Job's children were meeting **Vs 18-19**
 1. The gathering of **Vs 13** was merely a _____ gathering for fellowship and enjoyment of each other
 2. The natural disaster seemed like God's judgment because _____ was behind the whole event
- IV. Job's _____ to satan, God and those who knew what was transpiring. **Vs 20-22**
- A. A _____ reaction-remorse and grief **Vs 20**
 - B. A _____ reaction-worship (a bowing down in reverence to God) **Vs 20b**
 - C. Job reveals the true feelings of his heart **Vs 21**
 1. He realized what he had, including his children, were a _____ from God and God could do as He wished, _____ in his action, because He is the Sovereign God
 2. He demonstrated a _____ heart to God for what he had had before God chose to take it away
 - D. Job's personal relationship with God was such that he did not accuse God, nor feel God had been _____ in what He had allowed **Vs 22**
 1. Job clearly understood the meaning of what he said in Vs 21a about _____
 2. Job clearly understood the meaning of what he said in Vs 21b about _____
 3. Job _____ believed that everything and everyone belongs to the sovereign God and God can do with them as He chooses.
 - E. This disaster did _____ destroy the relationship between Job and God

Conclusion: If we obey God only because He **blesse**s us, the shallowness of our faith will show up in the time of testing (**Matt. 7:24-27** Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock: 25 And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock. 26 And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand: 27 And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it.) Faith that cannot pass cannot be **truste**d (**James 1:2-8** My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations; 3 Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience. 4 But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing. 5 If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him. 6 But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed. 7 For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord. 8 A double minded man is unstable in all his ways.: **1 Pet. 1:3-9** Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, 4 To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you, 5 Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. 6 Wherein ye greatly rejoice, though now for a season, if need be, ye are in heaviness through manifold temptations: 7 That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ: 8 Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see *him* not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory: 9 Receiving the end of your faith, *even* the salvation of *your* souls).