Studies in Job – Part 15: "Job Vindicated" 42:7-17

The "day of testing" for Job had come to an end!

- God's name has been vindicated before the principalities and powers.
- God's sanctifying work in Job had been accomplished for the present (vv. 2-6)
 - Job has confessed God's absolute and perfect control over all.
 - Job has confessed his own ignorance about these things.
 - Job has given his final "answer" before God.
 - Job's understanding, his knowledge of God has entered upon an entirely new stage.

1. God now "Sets the Record Straight"

42:7-9

Job's friends' sin addressed; Job's righteousness attested.

- (1) A double emphasis here
- (2) A great commendation! "My servant Job...My servant Job"
- (3) The three must confess their sin against God and against Job
 - A burnt offering
 - Intercession made by Job
- (4) Job accepted of God "I will accept him"
 - i.e., "I will hear his prayer on your behalf"
 - Things are right between God and Job; not so, with the three friends!

2. God Makes Evident His Love for Job

42:10-17

- (1) Job's Losses are Restored Why?
- Because God's purposes have been fulfilled with regard to Job's suffering.
- The accuser has been decisively proven wrong
- Job has learned the critical lessons which God purposed

- Because God wishes to make evident to all the world His love and esteem for His servant!
- Because it serves to point us toward the heavenly reward that God will shower upon His people.

(2) The Fullness of this Restoration

- It is a two-fold restoration (10)
 - The "turning point" circumstantially when Job prayed for his friends
 - The true piety of Job further evidenced here he had to have forgiven them
- The comforts of family and friends restored (11)
- Restoration of possessions (12)
- Restoration of generational blessings (13-17)
 - Two-fold
 - Great wealth evidenced: An inheritance for the daughters as well as the sons
- Job lives to see four generations

Further Application: