

Book of Job: Faith When Life Doesn't Make Sense

HELPFUL SCRIPTURES

SERMON NOTES

I. Heaven's Perspective on Earthly Suffering, (Job 1 – 2)

A. Earth — Visible World, (Chapter 1:1-5)

1. (1:1), “*There was a man in the land of Uz, whose name was Job . . .*”

Job 1:1, 3, 5

B. Heaven — Invisible World (1:6-12) (God pulls back the curtain for us to hear Him and Satan talking).

1. God again tells of Job being “*blameless, upright, fearing God & turning way from evil.*”

Job 1:9-12

C. Meanwhile, back on earth (1:13-22)

1. Just as God has His people, so too does Satan (1:14-15, 17)

2. Yet, we must not lose sight of who our real enemy is – not his people, but Satan himself!

Ephesians 6:12

Matthew 15:8

2 Corinthians 11:14-15

Ephesians 2:2

Ephesians 4:23

3. But life's trials are not always caused by people, but many by non-human sources.

Job 1:16-19

Luke 13:4

John 9:2-3

4. Job's Response, (vs. 20-22)

- D. Back in heaven..., (chapter 2:1-10)

1. God points to how Job responded to all Satan did and shows him Job's persevering faith!

2. The response to this new set of trials (2:8-10)

- a. (v. 8), "*And Job took a potsherd to scrape himself while he was sitting among the ashes.* '

CONCLUSIONS:

Meadows: Romans 8:28; James 1:2-4

Guests: 2 Corinthians 11:15; 2 Thessalonians 2:9-10; John 17:17; Mark 16:15-16