

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

HELPFUL SCRIPTURES

SERMON NOTES

Job 32:1-5

I. A Young Voice with an Important Lesson, (Job 32 – 37)

Elihu “in a nutshell”: He is angry for two reasons...

A. Wisdom Comes from God, Not a Person's Age (Job 32:6–10)

1. Elihu begins by explaining *why* he waited to speak.

Job 32:6-8

Job 32:9a, b

B. Job Has Defended Himself More Than God (Job 33:8–13)

1. Elihu carefully quotes Job's own words, noting that Job has maintained his innocence

Job 33:9

Job 33:12-13

C. God Speaks in Many Ways—Often Through Suffering (Job 33:14–22)

1. Elihu argues that God is not silent simply because He does not speak wish to speak audibly.

Job 33:19

Job 33:26-27

John 5:14

D. God Is Absolutely Just and Never Acts Wrongly (Job 34:10–15)

1. Elihu directly defends God's moral perfection.

Job 34:12-15

E. God's Governance Is Impartial and Universal (Job 34:16–30)

1. Elihu stresses that God shows no favoritism . . .

Job 34:16-20

F. Human Righteousness Does Not Place God in Our Debt (Job 35:1–8)

1. Elihu challenges Job's claim that righteousness has brought him no benefit.

Job 35:1-7

Romans 6:23a

G. God Uses Affliction to Rescue the Righteous (Job 36:8–15)

1. This is one of Elihu's most important contributions . . .

Job 36:9-12

Hebrews 12:7-11

James 1:2-5

H. God's Greatness Demands Humility, Not Interrogation (37:1–24)

1. Elihu ends by pointing to God's majesty in creation . . .

Job 37:2-10

Job 37:23-24

Conclusions:

1 Timothy 4:12

Mark 16:15-16