

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

HELPFUL SCRIPTURES

SERMON NOTES

Job 42:1-6

I. Job's Final Response and God's Vindication, (Job 42)

A. Job's Repentance: Faith has Now been Reoriented, (Job 42:1-6)

1. Job Confesses God's Absolute Sovereignty
 - a. (v. 2), *"I know that You can do all things, and that no purpose of Yours can be thwarted."*

B. Job Admits the Limits of Human Understanding

1. (v. 3) *"I have declared that which I did not understand... things too wonderful for me."*

C. Job Moves from Secondhand Knowledge to Personal Encounter

1. (v. 5), *"I had heard of You by the hearing of the ear; but now my eye sees You."*

D. Job Repents in Humility, Not Shame

1. (v. 6), *"I retract, and I repent in dust and ashes."* "Repent" = A change of mind

2 Corinthians 7:10

II. God Rebukes Job's Friends and Vindicates Job (Job 42:7-9)

A. God Condemns False Theology

1. (v. 7), *"You have not spoken of Me what is right, as My servant Job has."*

Matthew 23

2 Peter 2:1

B. God Requires Intercession, Not Defense

1. (vs. 8-9), *"Go to My servant Job and offer up a burnt offering of 7 bulls & 7 rams for yourselves,"*

Romans 8:34

III. God Restores Job Beyond What Was Lost (Job 42:10–17)

A. Restoration Comes After Submission

1. (v. 10), *“The Lord restored the fortunes of Job when he prayed for his friends.”*

B. God’s Blessing Is Abundant but Not Transactional

1. (vs. 10-16), *“The Lord increased all that Job had twofold. ... And he had 7 sons and three daughters and in all the land no women were found so fair as Job’s daughters....”*

C. Job’s Story Ends in Peace, Not Explanation

1. (v. 17), *“After this Job lived 140 year . . . And Job died, an old man and full of days.”*

The Message of the Book of Job

Righteous people can suffer deeply.

Suffering is not always God’s discipline.

God is sovereign (in charge) even when silent.

A True Faith is refined, not destroyed, by suffering.

God is more concerned with us giving Him our trust than He giving us an explanation.

Job never learns *why* he suffered—but he learns *who* God is and what He is capable of.

And in the end, that was enough.

“Faith does not demand answers. Faith rests in our trusting in the character of God.”

CONCLUSION:

Matthew 5:44

Psalm 51:4

Romans 6:23

1 Peter 1:18-19

1 Peter 3:21

Acts 2:38; 22:16