

Learning and Living the Bible Together

Job 1

A. The Character of Job (vv. 1-10)

1. His Fear (v.1)

- he was a man that feared God, that pursued God, that wanted to please God

2. His Family (v.2)

3. His Fortune (v.3)

- he was wealthy!

4. His Fame (v.3)

- everyone knew who Job was. He was a man of prominence.

5. His Faithfulness (vv. 4-5)

6. His Favor (v.10)

- God protected Job and blessed Job

B. The Conversation with God and the devil (vv. 6-12)

1. God's Authority (v. 6)

- He is THE BOSS. All appear before Him and He is the one in charge.

2. God's Awareness (v. 8)

- He was aware of everything about Job.

3. God's Allowance (v. 12)

- He allowed Job to be attacked by the devil, with restrictions.

4. The devil's Inability (v. 10)

- The devil can only do what he is allowed to do

5. The devil's Intent (v. 9-10)

- He scorns us. He wants to destroy us. He is pure evil.

C. The Catastrophes in Job's life (vv. 13-19)

- Catastrophic events that happened virtually all at once

D. The Commitment shown by Job (vv. 20-22)

1. His sorrow (v.20)

2. His surrender (vv. 20-22)

Application to us:

1. God works in ways that we do not fully understand but He knows exactly what He is doing.
2. God sees what we do and knows our character. (Prov. 5:21)
3. The devil knows those who are faithful and stands ready to attack.
4. The Lord gives and takes away according to His will.
5. In good times or bad, we are to be loyal to Him. We are not to blame God.
6. The devil is real but he is defeated. He can only do what he is allowed to do.
7. God may not offer immediate relief to our pain or sorrow.
8. Life is short. Commit to serve Him even if you have nothing on this earth. Look to the future.