**THE BOOK OF JOB**

**LESSON 22 - JOB’S REPENTANCE AND RESTORATION**

**(JOB 42)**

**EXTRA INFO:** Job has seen the glory of the LORD through His creation and His loving care of it. This has stopped all his complaints and pleadings for relief from his sufferings. He now humbly acknowledges God’s omnipotence and omniscience, while confessing his own weakness and ignorance.

**DAYS ONE & TWO** - Read Job 42:1-6 (Job’s Repentance)

1. What did Job now know about God, in verse 2, while nothing had changed regarding his suffering?

*Answer here*

2. How does Jesus confirm this truth in Matthew 19:26, Mark 10:27, and Luke 1:37?

*Answer here*

3. What had God asked, in Job 42:3a, causing Job to accept God’s rebuke?

*Answer here*

4. How does the rest of verse 3 describe what Job did not understand?

*Answer here*

5. What does Psalm 139:6 say about these kinds of things?

*Answer here*

6. Back in Job 42:4, how does this verse tell us that a humble Job is ready to answer the questions that God has asked?

*Answer here*

7. How do we know that everything has changed for Job, by his words in verse 5?

*Answer here*

8. Job was finally seeing God not only by faith, but through His greatness, majesty, and sovereignty. How does faith come to a person according to Romans 10:17-18?

*Answer here*

9. What does Psalm 19:1-4 add to these thoughts?

*Answer here*

10. How is Job’s repentance portrayed in Job 42:6?

*Answer here*

**DAY THREE** - Read Job 42:7-10 (The Sacrifice for Eliphaz, Bildad, and Zophar)

1. As the LORD was not done making things right for Job, what did He say to Eliphaz the Temanite in verse 7?

*Answer here*

2. *Therefore,* what did these three friends of Job have to do in his presence, and why did they have to do it, while Job prayed for them in verse 8?

*Answer here*

3. What did Jesus say about the importance of forgiveness in Matthew 6:14-15?

*Answer here*

4. How does this sacrifice for sin, in verse 9, point to the sacrifice our LORD Jesus Christ made for our sins in 2 Corinthians 5:21?

*Answer here*

5. What did these friends then do, and why did they do it, to show their repentance back in Job:42:9?

**DAYS FOUR & FIVE** - Read Job 42:10-16 (Job’s Restoration)

1. Restoring Job’s losses when he prayed for his friends included restoring his health, with Satan out of the picture. What else was more than restored in verse 10?

*Answer here*

2. What does verse 11 add about this bountiful reestablishment of Job’s position among his acquaintances, who suddenly became so hospitable and comforting?

*Answer here*

3. List some of the ways the LORD blessed Job in his *latter days,* regarding his livestock?

*Answer here*

4. What else was a total blessing to Job in verse 13?

*Answer here*

5. **Challenge Question:** While the animals were doubled in numbers, why do you think the number of the new children was not twice what it had been?

*Answer here*

6. As these new daughters were the most beautiful *in all the land*, what unusual thing happened, regarding their inheritance, in verse 15?

*Answer here*

7. a. What does verse 16 say about the rest of Job’s life?

*Answer here*

b. How does this number help us see Job living during the time of the patriarchs when we consider the ages of Terah and Abraham in Genesis 11:32 and Genesis 25:7?

*Answer here*

8. As we finish this study, what does the prophet Ezekiel say about Job, along with Noah and Daniel who were great intercessors in Ezekiel 14:14 and 14:20?

*Answer here*

9. What does James 5:10-11 say about Job?

*Answer here*

10.How does Romans 11:33-36 help us when we don’t understand what’s going on, and like Job, have to admit that we are not in control of anything.

*Answer here*

**DISCUSSION:** Job’s sufferings were so traumatic that he thought God had forsaken him. The Lord Jesus Himself, in His human suffering on the cross, also cried out: *My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?* There is no greater testimony of the incomparable scope of God’s grace than the contrast between His glory as Creator and His lonely, bitter humiliation as the sin-bearing Savior. This central theme of the ages was foretold in Job, according to Henry Morris. How is this great truth prefigured in Philippians 2:5-11?

*Answer here*