

OUTLINE OF JOB

Central text: Job 13:15

Golden text: Job 19:25

I. Introduction- 1:1-2:10

A. God asserts Job's righteousness.

B. Satan's challenge

1. Job loses his possessions & children.
2. Job loses his health.

II. The discourse- 2:11-42:6

A. Job- "I should have died at birth and I am ready to die now," (3:1-26).

1. Eliphaz- "Realize this is punishment for sin," (4:1-5:27).
-Job- "Don't use the occasion against me; my righteousness accomplished nothing; I want to die," (6:1-7:21).
2. Bildad- "God doesn't punish people without cause," (8:1-22).
-Job- "Then there is no way to be righteous before God; I need to find out from Him why He is doing this to me," (9:1-10:22).
3. Zophar- "Who are you to talk of God so? Get your heart right!" (11:1-20).
-Job- "God is in control; do not lie for Him," (12:1-13:19).

B. Job- "I want an audience with God; hide me in the grave till all is better," (13:20-14:22).

1. Eliphaz- "A righteous man does not talk like you; all are wicked and God will destroy them," (15:1-35).
-Job- "I could talk like you if you were in my place; God is tormenting me; I want justice," (16:1-17:16).
2. Bildad- "Who are you to talk this way? The wicked are the ones tormented by God," (18:1-21).
-Job- "If I suffer for any sin, then no one is safe; but God will save me," (19:1-29).
3. Zophar- "There are hypocrites, but they don't last long," (20:1-29).
-Job- "The wicked are not punished immediately!" (21:1-21).

C. Job- "Death takes everyone," (21:22-34).

1. Eliphaz- "Is it because you are so righteous that God punishes you? Repent!" (22:1-30).
-Job- "If only I could argue my case to God, He would vindicate me; God gives the wicked time to do evil," (23:1-24:25).
2. Bildad- "Man cannot be righteous with God," (25:1-6).
-Job- "God is unsearchable, so what do you know of Him?" (26:1-14).

- D. Job- "I will keep being righteous, as always," (27:1-31:40).
 - 1. Elihu- "None of you know what you are talking about; you all are forgetting God's greatness," (32:1-37:24).
 - 2. God- "I am greater than you thought I was, Job," (38:1-41:34).
 - Job- "You are correct, O Lord; I repent," (42:1-6).

III. Conclusion- 42:7-17

- A. The Lord demands Job's friends repent.
- B. The Lord restores and doubles Job's blessings.

Highlights of Job

I. Christ foreshadowed- the living Redeemer- Eph. 1:7

II. New Testament references

- A. I Corinthians 3:19
- B. Job- James 5:11

III. Practical application

- A. Man needs a mediator with God.
- B. Man needs an advocate with God.
- C. Suffering is not always because of our own sins; but God will make sure it is only for our good.
- D. God is great enough to take care of us.
- E. Endurance pays off.
- F. God's ways are unfathomable.