

Part 33 – The Sovereignty of Our God-The Book of Job

Job's Lesson-Having God IS Enough

26:1-14

Job 1:8-11 The Lord said to Satan, "Have you considered My servant Job? For there is no one like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man, fearing God and turning away from evil."

⁹ Then Satan answered the Lord, "**Does Job fear God for nothing?**" ¹⁰ Have You not made **a hedge about him and his house and all that he has**, on every side? You have **blessed the work of his hands**, and **his possessions have increased in the land.**

¹¹ But put forth Your hand now and **touch all that he has**; he will surely curse You to Your face."



So Satan is accusing God of bribing Job, but bribing Job with what?:

1. A hedge about Job
2. A hedge about his house
3. A hedge about ALL that he has on every side.
4. A blessing on the work of his hands
5. A further blessing on the increase of his possessions in the land

Job 1:3 ...“and that man was the greatest of all the men of the east”.

Hebrews 11:6 And without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is and that He is a rewarder **of those who seek Him.**

Job 1:20-22 Then Job arose and tore his robe and shaved his head, **and he fell to the ground and worshiped.**

²¹ He said, “Naked I came from my mother’s womb, And naked I shall return there. The Lord gave and the Lord has taken away. **Blessed be the name of the Lord.**”

²² **Through all this** Job did not sin nor did he blame God.

Job 26 ¹ Then Job responded,

² “What a **help you** are to the weak!

You- singular

How you have **saved** the arm without strength!

³ “What **counsel** you have given to one **without wisdom!**

What **helpful insight** you have **abundantly provided!**

⁴ “To whom have you uttered words?

And **whose spirit** was expressed **through you?**

NET: "whose spirit has gone out from you?"

This is what they were supposed to do for Job: **help, save, counsel, provide wisdom and an abundance of helpful insights**

⁵ “The departed **spirits tremble**

NET: means even the dead cannot escape God’s terror.

Under the waters and their inhabitants.

Job 25:1-3 Then Bildad the Shuhite answered,

² “Dominion and awe belong to Him

Who establishes peace in His heights.

³ “Is there any number to His troops?

And upon whom does His light not rise?

Job 26:

⁶ “Naked is Sheol before **Him**,

God (NET)

And **Abaddon** has no covering.

Another term for Sheol

⁷ “**He** stretches out the north over empty space

And hangs the earth on nothing.

Job 10:21-22 Before I go—and I shall not return—

To **the land of darkness** and deep shadow,

²² **The land of utter gloom as darkness itself,**

Of **deep shadow** without order,

And which shines as the **darkness.**”

⁸ **He** wraps up the waters in His clouds,
And the cloud does not burst under them.

⁹ **He** obscures the face of the full moon
And spreads His cloud over it.

¹⁰ **He** has inscribed a circle on the surface of the waters
At the boundary of light and darkness.

Psalms 18:11-15 He made darkness His hiding place, His canopy around Him,
Darkness of waters, thick clouds of the skies.

¹² From the brightness before Him passed His thick clouds,
Hailstones and coals of fire.

¹³ The Lord also thundered in the heavens,
And the Most High uttered His voice,
Hailstones and coals of fire.

¹⁴ He sent out His arrows, and scattered them,
And lightning flashes in abundance, and routed them.

¹⁵ Then the channels of water appeared,
And the foundations of the world were laid bare
At Your rebuke, O Lord,
At the blast of the breath of Your nostrils.

Genesis 1:6-7 ⁶ Then God said, "Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters."

⁷ God made the expanse, and separated the waters which were below the expanse from the waters which were above the expanse; and it was so.

Job 26:¹¹ "The **pillars** of heaven tremble

And are amazed at His rebuke.

¹² "He quieted the sea with His power,

And by **His** understanding He shattered **Rahab**.

A great sea monster of the deep in ancient eastern literature

¹³ "By **His breath** the heavens are cleared;

His hand has pierced the fleeing **serpent**.

NET Note: The same Hebrew word, רוּחַ (ruakh), may be translated as "wind," "breath," or "spirit/Spirit" depending on the context.

Serpent: Here too is a reference to pagan views indirectly. The fleeing serpent was a designation for Leviathan, whom the book will simply describe as an animal, but the pagans thought to be a monster of the deep. See the same Hebrew phrase in [Isaiah 27:1](#). God's power over nature is associated with defeat of pagan gods

¹⁴ "Behold, these are the fringes of **His** ways;
And how faint a word we hear of Him!
But **His** mighty thunder, who can understand?"

Nahum 1:5-7 Mountains quake because of Him

And the hills dissolve;
Indeed the earth is upheaved by His presence,
The world and all the inhabitants in it.

⁶ Who can stand before His indignation?
Who can endure the burning of His anger?
His wrath is poured out like fire
And the rocks are broken up by Him.

⁷ The Lord is good,
A stronghold in the day of trouble,
And He knows those who take refuge in Him.