# Part 48 – The Sovereignty of Our God-The Book of Job Preamble - The Creator's Confrontation of Job

Job 38:1-42

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

<sup>21</sup> 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."

<sup>22</sup> **Through all this** Job did not sin nor did he blame God.



**Job 2:10** But he said to her, "You speak as one of the foolish women speaks. Shall we indeed accept good from God and not accept adversity?" **In all this** Job did not sin with his lips.

**Job 4:8-9 According to what I have seen,** those who plow iniquity And those who sow trouble harvest it.

9 "By the breath of God they perish,And by the blast of His anger they come to an end.

### Quote:

An outright lie is often seen for exactly what it is — a lie. What you need to be careful of, is the half-truth that is told. **It is a lie without lying.** Give a person only half the story. If that half is technically true, what follows will likely be believed, no matter how outrageous the claim.

**Job 5:17-18** "Behold, how happy is the man whom God reproves, So do not despise the discipline of the Almighty.

18 "For He inflicts pain, and gives relief;
He wounds, and His hands also heal.

Job 6:1-4 Then Job answered,

<sup>2</sup> "Oh that my grief were actually weighed And laid in the balances together with my calamity!

<sup>3</sup> "For then it would be heavier than the sand of the seas; Therefore my words have been rash.

<sup>4</sup> "For the arrows of the Almighty are within me, Their poison my spirit drinks;
The terrors of God are arrayed against me.

Job 7:11 "Therefore I will not restrain my mouth;

I will speak in the anguish of my spirit,

I will complain in the bitterness of my soul.

**Job 7:21** "Why then do You do not pardon my transgression

And take away my iniquity?

For now I will lie down in the dust;

And You will seek me, but I will not be."

Job 9:1-4 Then Job answered,

<sup>2</sup> "In truth I know that this is so;

## But how can a man be in the right before God?

<sup>3</sup> "If one wished to dispute with Him,

He could not answer Him once in a thousand times.

<sup>4</sup> "Wise in heart and mighty in strength,

Who has defied Him without harm?

Job 19:6-7 Know then that God has wronged me

And has closed His net around me.

Everything Is against Him

<sup>7</sup> "Behold, I cry, 'Violence!' but I get **no answer**;

I shout for help, but there is **no justice.** 

### **Job 23:1-7** Then Job replied,

<sup>2</sup> "Even today my complaint is rebellion;

**His** hand is heavy despite my groaning.

<sup>3</sup> "Oh that I knew where I might find **Him**,

That I might come to **His** seat!

<sup>4</sup> "I would present my case before **Him** 

And fill my mouth with arguments.

<sup>5</sup> "I would learn the words which **He** would answer,

And perceive what **He** would say to me.

<sup>6</sup> "Would **He** contend with me by the greatness of **His** power?

No, surely **He** would pay attention to me.

<sup>7</sup> "There the upright would reason with **Him**;

And I would be delivered forever from my Judge.

# Job 30:20-23 I cry out to You for help, but You do not answer me;

I stand up, and **You** turn **Your** attention against me.

<sup>21</sup> **"You** have become cruel to me;

With the might of **Your** hand **You** persecute me.

<sup>22</sup> "You lift me up to the wind and cause me to ride;

And **You** dissolve me in a storm.

<sup>23</sup> "For I know that **You** will bring me to death

And to the house of meeting for all living.

**Job 31:40** Let briars grow instead of wheat,

And stinkweed instead of barley."

The words of Job are ended.

**Romans 9:18-21** So then **He** has mercy on whom **He** desires, and **He** hardens whom **He** desires.

<sup>19</sup> You will say to me then, "Why does He still find fault? For who resists His will?"

<sup>20</sup> On the contrary, who are you, O man, who answers back to God? The thing molded will not say to the molder, "Why did you make me like this," will it? <sup>21</sup> Or does not the potter have a right over the clay, to make from the same lump one vessel for honorable use and another for common use?

- 1. God <u>answers</u> His people in His own time, not ours verse 1
- 2. God <u>addresses</u> His people on His own terms verse 2
- 3. God <u>censures</u> His people justly by His own determination

verse 3

4. God <u>accuses</u> His people via His own testimony verse 4