

**Part 55 – The Sovereignty of Our God-The Book of Job
The Creator’s Confrontation of Job- Part 8 - WHO not WHY**

God’s Initiation of Repentance continues.

Job 40:1-15

Hebrews 1:1-2 1 God, after He spoke long ago to the fathers in the prophets in many portions and in many ways, 2 **in these last days** has spoken to us in His Son, whom He appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the world.

1 Timothy 2:5 For there is **one** God, and **one** mediator also between God and men, the man Christ Jesus,

Genesis 16:7-13

7 **Now the angel of the LORD** found her by a spring of water in the wilderness, by the spring on the way to Shur.

8 **He said**, “Hagar, Sarai’s maid, where have you come from and where are you going?” And she said, “I am fleeing from the presence of my mistress Sarai.”

9 **Then the angel of the LORD said to her**, “Return to your mistress, and submit yourself to her authority.”

10 **Moreover, the angel of the LORD said to her**, “I will greatly multiply your descendants so that they will be too many to count.”

11 **The angel of the LORD said to her further**,



“Behold, you are with child, And you will bear a son; And you shall call his name Ishmael, **Because the LORD** has given heed to your affliction.

12 “He will be a wild donkey of a man,
His hand will be against everyone,
And everyone’s hand will be against him;
And he will live to the east of all his brothers.”

13 **Then she called the name of the LORD, who spoke to her, “You are a God who sees”**; for she said, “Have I even remained alive here **after seeing Him?**”

Genesis 18:1-3

1 **Now the LORD appeared to him** by the oaks of Mamre, while he was sitting at the tent door in the heat of the day.

2 When he lifted up his eyes and looked, behold, **three men were standing opposite him**; and **when he saw them**, he ran from the tent door to meet them and bowed himself to the earth,

3 and said, “**My Lord**, if now I have found favor in Your sight, please do not pass Your servant by.

Genesis 18:9-14

9 **Then they said to him**, “Where is Sarah your wife?”

And he said, “There, in the tent.”

10 He said, “**I will** surely return to you at this time next year; and behold,

Sarah your wife will have a son." And Sarah was listening. at the tent door, which was behind him.

11 Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; Sarah was past childbearing.

12 Sarah laughed to herself, saying, "After I have become old, shall I have pleasure, my lord being old also?"

13 **And the LORD said to Abraham,** "did Sarah laugh, saying, 'Shall I indeed bear a child, when I am so old?'

14 Is anything too difficult for the LORD? **At the appointed time I will return to you,** at this time next year, and Sarah will have a son."

Genesis 22:8-12

8 Abraham said, "God will provide for Himself the lamb for the burnt offering, my son." So the two of them walked on together.

9 Then they came to the place of which God had told him; and Abraham built the altar there and arranged the wood, and bound his son Isaac and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood.

10 Abraham stretched out his hand and took the knife to slay his son.

11 **But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven** and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am."

12 **He said,** "Do not stretch out your hand against the lad, and do nothing to

him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, **from Me.**"

Genesis 19:1-20 *1 Now the two angels came to Sodom in the evening as Lot was sitting in the gate of Sodom. When Lot saw them, he rose to meet them and bowed down with his face to the ground. 2 And he said, "Now behold, my lords, please turn aside into your servant's house, and spend the night, and wash your feet; then you may rise early and go on your way." They said however, "No, but we shall spend the night in the square." 3 Yet he urged them strongly, so they turned aside to him and entered his house; and he prepared a feast for them, and baked unleavened bread, and they ate. 4 Before they lay down, the men of the city, the men of Sodom, surrounded the house, both young and old, all the people from every quarter; 5 and they called to Lot and said to him, "Where are the men who came to you tonight? Bring them out to us that we may have relations with them." 6 But Lot went out to them at the doorway, and shut the door behind him, 7 and said, "Please, my brothers, do not act wickedly. 8 Now behold, I have two daughters who have not had relations with man; please let me bring them out to you, and do to them whatever you like; only do nothing to these men, inasmuch as they have come under the shelter of my roof." 9 But they said, "Stand aside." Furthermore, they said, "This one came in as an alien, and already he is acting like a judge; now we will treat you worse than them." So they pressed hard against Lot and came near to break the door. 10 But the men reached out their hands and brought Lot into the house with them, and shut the door. 11 They struck the men who were at the doorway of the house with blindness, both small and great, so that they wearied themselves trying to find the doorway.*

12 Then the two men said to Lot, "Whom else have you here? A son-in-law, and your sons, and your daughters, and whomever you have in the city, bring them out of the place; 13 for we are about to destroy this place, because their outcry has become so great before the Lord that the Lord has sent us to destroy it." 14 Lot went out and spoke to his sons-in-law, who

were to marry his daughters, and said, "Up, get out of this place, for the Lord will destroy the city." But he appeared to his sons-in-law to be jesting.

15 When morning dawned, the angels urged Lot, saying, "Up, take your wife and your two daughters who are here, or you will be swept away in the punishment of the city." 16 But he hesitated. So the men seized his hand and the hand of his wife and the hands of his two daughters, for the compassion of the Lord was upon him; and they brought him out, and put him outside the city. 17 When they had brought them outside, one said, "Escape for your life! Do not look behind you, and do not stay anywhere in the valley; escape to the mountains, or you will be swept away." 18 But Lot said to them, "Oh no, my lords! 19 Now behold, your servant has found favor in your sight, and you have magnified your lovingkindness, which you have shown me by saving my life; but I cannot escape to the mountains, for the disaster will overtake me and I will die; 20 now behold, this town is near enough to flee to, and it is small. Please, let me escape there (is it not small?) that my life may be saved."

Job 40 Then the Lord said to Job,

² "Will the **faultfinder** contend with the Almighty?

Let him who reproves God answer it."

³ **Then Job answered the Lord and said,**

⁴ "Behold, I am insignificant; what can I reply to You?

I lay my hand on my mouth.

⁵ "Once I have spoken, and I will not answer;

Even **twice**, and I will add nothing more."

several times

⁶ **Then the Lord answered Job** out of the storm and said,

⁷ "Now gird up your loins like a man; I will ask you, and you instruct Me.

⁸ "**Will you really annul My judgment?**

Will you condemn Me that you may be justified?

⁹ "**Or do you** have an **arm** like God,

And can you thunder with a voice like His?

¹⁰ "Adorn **yourself with eminence and dignity,**

And clothe **yourself with honor and majesty.**

Psalms 104:1-4 Bless the Lord, O my soul!

O Lord my God, **You** are very great;

You are clothed with splendor and majesty,

² Covering **Yourself** with light as with a cloak,

Stretching out heaven like a tent curtain.

³ **He** lays the beams of **His** upper chambers in the waters;

He makes the clouds His chariot;

He walks upon the wings of the wind;

⁴ **He** makes the winds **His** messengers,

Flaming fire **His** ministers.

Job 40: ¹¹ "Pour out the overflowings of your anger,

And look on everyone who is proud, and make him low.

Proverbs 16:18-19 **Pride** goes before destruction,

And a **haughty spirit** before stumbling.

¹⁹ It is better to be **humble in spirit** with the **lowly**
Than to divide the spoil with **the proud**.

Job 40:¹² **“Look on everyone who is proud, and humble him,
And tread down the wicked where they stand.**

¹³ “Hide them **in the dust together**; *dust -this is referring to death here.*
Bind them in the **hidden place**. *Metonymy for the grave*

¹⁴ “Then I will also confess to you,
That your own right hand can save you.

Quote:

Circumstantial evidence is indirect evidence that does not directly prove a fact but rather supports an inference or conclusion about a fact. It consists of a chain of events and circumstances that, when considered together, lead to a logical deduction of the truth of a particular proposition.

Unlike direct evidence, which directly proves a fact without the need for further inference, circumstantial evidence relies on logical reasoning and is open to different interpretations.

For circumstantial evidence to be admissible, it must be relevant to the case and meet the criteria of probative value. Relevance refers to the evidence's tendency to make a material fact more or less probable than it

would be without the evidence. In other words, the evidence must have a logical connection to the fact in question.

The probative value of circumstantial evidence is assessed based on two primary factors: the strength of the inference it supports and the likelihood of alternative explanations. Strong circumstantial evidence leads to a more probable conclusion, while weak or inconclusive evidence may have little impact on the case.

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Romans 1:19-20 because that which is known about God **is evident** within them; **for God made it evident to them.** 20 For since the creation of the world **His invisible attributes,** His eternal power and divine nature, **have been clearly seen,** being understood **through what has been made,** **so that they are without excuse.**