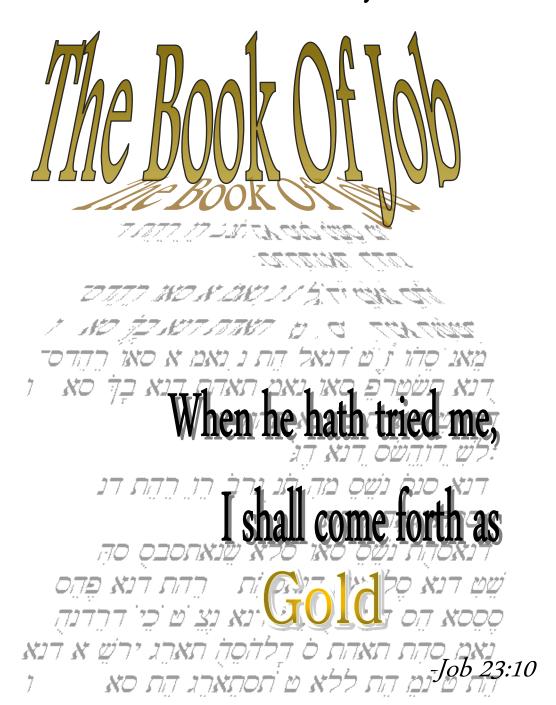
God's Word for the last days.



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Chapter 1: Job Withstood the Severe Tests

- **Job 1:1** There was a man in the land of Uz, whose name was Job; and that man was perfect and upright, and one that feared God, and eschewed evil.
- Job --- hated (i.e. persecuted); the patriarch famous for his patience
- Jas 5:11 ... Ye have heard of the patience of Job...
- Eze 14:14 Though these three men, Noah, Daniel, and Job, were in it, they should deliver but their own souls by their righteousness, saith the Lord GOD.
- **Eze 14:20** Though Noah, Daniel, and Job, were in it, as I live, saith the Lord GOD, they shall deliver neither son nor daughter; they shall but deliver their own souls by their righteousness.

A messenger came and was over taken by a messenger that was overtaken by another messenger. **Job 1:14-18**

- 1. Sword
- 2. Fire
- 3. Sword
- 4. A Great Wind
 - v.14 The oxen were plowing, and the asses feeding beside them:
 - v.15 the Sabeans ... took them away; yea, they have slain the servants
 - v.16 burned up the sheep, and the servants
 - v.17 The Chaldeans... fell upon the camels...yea, and slain the servants
 - v.19 a great wind....smote ... house, and ... young men, and they are dead
 - v.20 worshipped
 - v.21 blessed be the name of the LORD.
 - v.22 In all this Job sinned not, nor charged God foolishly

Job didn't know that it was Satan causing all the trouble

- **1Pe 1:7** That the trial of your faith, ...
- Job 1:5 And it was so, when the days of their feasting were gone about, that Job sent and sanctified them, and rose up early in the morning, and offered burnt offerings according to the number of them all: for Job said, It may be that my sons have sinned, and cursed God in their hearts. Thus did Job continually.
- **Job 1:8** And the LORD said unto Satan, Hast thou considered my servant Job, that there is none like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright man, one that feareth God, and escheweth evil?
- **2Co 12:7** ... messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I should be exalted above measure.

Chapter 2: The Voice of the Lord Trying Hearts

- **Job 2:1** Again there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan came also among them to present himself before the LORD.
- **Jude 24** Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy,
- **Job 2:2** And the LORD said unto Satan, From whence comest thou? And Satan answered the LORD, and said, From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it.
- **Ps 94:16** Who will rise up for me against the evildoers? or who will stand up for me against the workers of iniquity?
- **1Pe 5:8-10** Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:

Whom resist stedfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world.

But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you.

- **1Th 2:4** ... we speak; not as pleasing men, but God, which trieth our hearts.
- **Job 2:3** ...although thou movedst me against him, to destroy him without cause.

Job 9:17 For he breaketh me with a tempest, and multiplieth my wounds without cause.

Joh 15:25 ... They hated me without a cause.

Ps 69:4 They that hate me without a cause are more than the hairs of mine head:...

1Sa 19:5 ... wilt thou sin against innocent blood, to slay David without a cause?

The voice of the Lord -----2:2-3, 6

The voice of the accuser ---2:4-5

The voice of the foolish ----2:10 (hurt ,pain ,anguish)

It is foolish to doubt, discourage, disobey, quit, complain, be angry, be sorrowful, or curse God, and sin with your lips. Job 2:10 6:30

The voice of the sufferer, ---1:2; 2:10, 3:1-26

The voice of the oppressor -3:18

The voice of his friends ----2:13 (silent when prayer was needed the most.)

The greatest understanding comes out of the deepest sufferings

Job 2:5-8 Isa. 53:5 I Pt. 2:24 Heb. 4:15 II Cor. 5:21 Gal. 3:13

Luke. 22:28 IITim.2:12 Rom. 8:17 Luke 24:24-32; 39-46

Chapter 3: The Trial's True Cause: Teaching Obedience Job 3:1-3

Heb 5:8,9 ... yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered;

2Co 2:9 ... know the proof of you, whether ye be obedient in all things.

2Co 10:5,6 ... into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;

Heb 12:2 Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; ...

To Teach What is Best

Ps 69:30-33 ... This also shall please the LORD better...

- II. To Teach Us that Only God Can Do Everything Right
- **Job 42:2** I know that thou canst do every thing, and that no thought can be withholden from thee.

II Cor. 6:16 God will dwell and walk in us

III. To Teach Us How to Obey in All Things.

Are we really (digging) desiring that which is Eternal?--The Rock

- **Job 42:5** I have heard of thee by the hearing of the ear: but now mine eye seeth thee.
- **Job 42:7** And it was so, that after the LORD had spoken these words unto Job, the LORD said to Eliphaz the Temanite, My wrath is kindled against thee, and against thy two friends: for ye have not spoken of me the thing that is right, as my servant Job hath.
- **Job 42:10** And the LORD turned the captivity of Job, when he prayed for his friends: also the LORD gave Job twice as much as he had before. *Lk.* 24:25-31, 38-49

Job cursed not God but he did curse the day he was conceived and the day he was born.

- **Job 3:1-3** After this opened Job his mouth, and cursed his day. 2 And Job spake, and said, 3 Let the day perish wherein I was born, and the night in which it was said, There is a man child conceived.
- **Job 10:18,19** Wherefore then hast thou brought me forth out of the womb? Oh that I had given up the ghost, and no eye had seen me! I should have been as though I had not been; I should have been carried from the womb to the grave.
- **Job 3:25** For the thing which I greatly feared is come upon me, and that which I was afraid of is come unto me.
- **Job 3:21** Which long for death, but it cometh not; and **dig** for it more than for hid treasures;

Chapter 4: Eliphaz's Answer to Job

Job 4:1 Then Eliphaz the Temanite answered and said, Job 42:7 And it was so... the LORD said to Eliphaz the Temanite, After they got going, Job wished they never started. 2:12-13 13:5 (It should be your wisdom just to be silent in times like this)

- I. What did Eliphaz answer?
- a) Job's need? Heart-Soul-Mind
- b) Job's pain?
- c) No. Job's words. v.4 "Thy words"
- II. What did Eliphaz say?
- v. 2 Can we talk to you? → Commune with thee? → Without you being grieved?

 Ps. 69:26 ... they talk to the grief of those whom thou hast wounded.

 Lam. 3:33 For He doth not afflict willingly nor grieve the children of men.
- v.4 Thy words have helped others. ---- (words can help)
 - Eph. 4:15 Speak the truth in love
- v. 5 Trouble comes on you Job and you faint.
- v.6 They thought Job to be a hypocrite 8:13 15:34 20:5
- v.7 They thought trouble only effects the unrighteous. *Who ever perished being innocent?*
 - Remember the cross
 - Remember the Martyrs The Apostle Paul II Cor. 11:23-33 12:7-10
 - Remember: Abel, Elijah, Jeremiah, 3 Hebrews, Daniel, John the Baptist, John...
- v. 8 "Even as I have seen"
 - Personal experiences can be helpful *or* blind you from a true need.
 - No true feelings as a friend—quite insensitive: *You're reaping what you sowed*
- vs. 9-11 "By the blast of God they perish, and by the breath of His nostrils..."
 - Judgment may be gradual like the growing of a crop.
 - Judgment may be sudden like the wind or like an attack from a lion

1 John 4:18 There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear:...

- 12-21 An experience secretly brought to him by a spirit.
 - He heard a little thereof in his ear. V. 12
- ➤ We must stay conscious of who we are and what we are by constantly examining ourselves by the Word of God lest we become deceived.
- True wisdom is learning the whole course of what life's trials intend to teach.
- ➤ Always maintain confidence in God and great expectations for deliverance from every trial.
- ➤ Please, let wisdom speak and everything else to be silent.

Chapter 5: Personal Experiences

Job 4:7-5:27

4:8 "Even as I have seen"

- 5:27 "We have searched it out, so it is"
- 4:7 "Remember" Many forget the Word of God and put their experiences above It.
- 5:8 I would seek unto God and unto God would I commit my cause. Yet, instead of praying, Eliphaz gives Job the history of a fool.

Job's three friends spent more time trying to prove Job wrong rather than giving him help.

- 5:2 Judging Job to be foolish and silly.
- 5:3-6 Judging Job as the cause of the death of his children.

Divine Chastening Job 5:13 1 Cor. 3:19

Job 5:17 Behold, happy is the man whom God correcteth: therefore despise not...

Pr 3:11,12 ...despise not the chastening of the LORD; neither be weary...

Heb 12:5,6 ... despise not ... nor faint when thou art rebuked of him:

Jas 1:12 Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: ...

Re 3:19 As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: ...

We need to enter into a deeper experience of the things of God.

Experiences without a right understanding of the Word of God are DANGEROUS.

That's why Jesus said take heed that ye be not deceived.

Lu 21:8	And he said, Take heed that ye be not deceived:
Ga 5:15	take heed that ye be not consumed one of another.
Mt 6:1	Take heed that ye do not your alms before men, to be seen of them:
Mt 18:10	Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones;
Mt 4:4	But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone,
	but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.
Deut. 8:3	And he humbled thee, and suffered thee to hunger, and fed thee with
	manna, which thou knewest not, neither did thy fathers know; that he
	might make thee know that man doth not live by bread only, but by every
	word that proceedeth out of the mouth of the LORD doth man live.

We NEED a Word from God!

Chapter 6: A True Friend

6:1-7:21

It will take a full revelation of the will of God to enable us to comprehend how to become A True Friend.

- **Job 6:1** But Job answered and said,...
 - Our prayer should be that God teach us the true need that we may minister comfort as a true friend.
- **Job 6:4** For the arrows of the Almighty are within me, the poison whereof drinketh up my spirit: the terrors of God do set themselves in array against me.
- **Job 6:23** Or, Deliver me from the enemy's hand? or, Redeem me from the hand of the mighty?
 - It takes the pure Word of God to get you through these trials.
 - We must always understand our need for a word from God.
- **Job 6:14** To him that is afflicted **pity should be shewed from his friend;** but he forsaketh the fear of the Almighty.
 - The fear of God will help you to be a true friend.

Pr 17:17	A friend loveth at all times, and a brother is born for adversity.
Pr 18:24	A man that hath friends must shew himself friendly:
Pr 22:11	for the grace of his lips the king shall be his friend.
Pr 27:6	Faithful are the wounds of a friend;
Pr 27:9	Ointment and perfume rejoice the heart: so doth the sweetness of a man's friend by hearty counsel.
Pr 27:10	for better is a neighbour that is near than a brother far off.
Pr 27:14	He that blesseth his friend with a loud voice, rising early in the morning, it shall be counted a curse to him.
Pr 27:17	Iron sharpeneth iron; so a man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend.
Jas 2:23	he [Abraham] was called the Friend of God .
Mt 11:19	The Son of man <u>they say</u> , Behold a man gluttonous, and a winebibber, a friend of publicans and sinners
Lu 7:34	The Son of man is come eating and drinking; and <u>ye say</u> , Behold a gluttonous man, and a winebibber, a friend of publicans and sinners!
Jas 4:4	friendship of the world is enmity with God?

- > Jesus was not as they said a friend of the world but Jesus is a True Friend.
- ➤ Job was in training of how to be patient as a true friend at all times.

Chapter 6: A Deceitful Brook

- Job 6:15 My brethren have dealt <u>deceitfully as a brook</u>, and as the stream of brooks they pass away;
 - III. Job's friends didn't feel the heaviness of his sufferings.
- Job 6:2,3 Oh that my grief were throughly weighed, and my calamity laid in the balances together! For now it would be heavier than the sand of the sea: therefore my words are swallowed up.
 - IV. Job nor his friends understood the purpose of the trial.
- 6:4 felt like a target
- 6:5 like a starving animal, (Hungry for love and understanding.)
- 6:8-13 Job felt hopeless.
- 6:15-21 Job's friends were very disappointed in him.
- 6:20 Job's friends become ashamed of him.
- 6:21 Job's friends were afraid of him.
 - Ps 38:11 My lovers and my friends stand aloof from my sore;...
 - Mr 9:32 But they understood not that saying, and were afraid to ask him.
 - Lu 9:45 ... they feared to ask him of that saying.
 - John 6:60 ... This is an hard saying; who can hear it?
 - :66 ... many of his disciples went back, and walked no more with him.
 - :67 Then said Jesus unto the twelve, Will ye also go away?
 - :68 Lord, to whom shall we go? thou hast the words of eternal life.
 - V. Job's friends' 'help' wasn't the kind he needed.
- 6:22-23 Did I say, Bring unto me? or, Give...Deliver me...or, Redeem me?
 - Job's friends did come voluntarily unto him.
- Job 6:25 How forcible are right words! but what doth your arguing reprove? 6:26-30 Job's friends tried to reprove rather than really pray.
- → Physically they sat with him on an ash heap. Job 2:8,13 → Emotionally they went to the other side of the road. Luke 10:30-32
 - The Good Samaritan was a true friend.
 - The Apostle Paul was a friend for life. 1 Cor. 12:15

Job made three more requests.

- 1. **Teach me**, and I will hold my tongue: v.24
- 2. and cause me to understand wherein I have erred.
- 3. Now therefore be content, look upon me; for it is evident unto you if I lie. v.28 ("Now"—right now is very important to me.)
- Job 42:10 And the LORD turned the captivity of Job, when he prayed for his friends: also the LORD gave Job twice as much as he had before.

Chapter 7: When Life Becomes a Burden

Job 7:20 ... so that I am a burden to myself?

- 7:1 appointed time Job is like a man of war without retirement. Job is like a workman without pay.
- →7:2 as a servant looking for the night →7:3-4 sleepless man looking for the day
- \rightarrow 7:5 a very sick man where life is moving swift but not enough.
- \rightarrow 7:6 when life is swifter than a weaver's shuttle
- \rightarrow 7:7 or life becomes wind
- \rightarrow 7:16 let me alone
- \rightarrow 7:17 man focused
- Jas 4:14 Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away.
- 2Co 1:8-10 For we would not, brethren, have you ignorant of our trouble which came to us in Asia, that we were pressed out of measure, above strength, insomuch that we despaired even of life:9 But we had the sentence of death in ourselves, that we should not trust in ourselves, but in God which raiseth the dead: 10 Who delivered us from so great a death, and doth deliver: in whom we trust that he will yet deliver us;
- 2Co 4:14-18 Knowing that he which raised up the Lord Jesus shall raise up us also by Jesus, and shall present us with you.15 For all things are for your sakes, that the abundant grace might through the thanksgiving of many redound to the glory of God.16 For which cause we faint not; but though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day.17 For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory;18 While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal.
- Eph 1:18-23 power to us-ward who believe.
- Job 7:20 **I have sinned**; what shall I do unto thee, O thou preserver of men? why hast thou set me as a mark against thee, so that I am a burden to myself?

19x's confessed throughout the scripture →

Ex:9:27; 10:16; Num 22:34; Jos7:20; 1Sam15:24,30; 26:21; 2Sa 12:13; (David) 2Sa 24:10,17; IChron21:8; Job7:20; 33:27; Ps41:4; Mic7:9; Mt 27:4; Lk15:8; 21

Chapter 8: A Pure Hope

- Job 8:2 How long wilt thou speak these things? and how long shall the words of thy mouth be like a strong wind?
- Job 8:4 If thy children have sinned against him, and he have <u>cast</u> them away for their transgression;
- Job 8:6 **If** thou <u>wert pure</u> and upright; surely now he would awake for thee, and make the habitation of thy righteousness prosperous.
- Job 8:20 Behold, God will not <u>cast away</u> a perfect man, neither will he help the evil doers:
- I. A pure hope knows that God doesn't need guarding, but the conscience of man sure does.
- Job 8:3 Doth God pervert judgment? or doth the Almighty pervert justice?
 - Ro 3:26 ... he might be **just, and the justifier** of him which believeth in Jesus.
 - Ac 13:38-39 ... by him all that believe are justified from all things,...
 - Heb. 9:9-14 The law only *sprinkled*, whereas Christ's blood *purges*.
 - Heb 8:6 ...he that obtained a more excellent ministry...
 - 2 Cor. 4:1,2 Therefore seeing we have this ministry, (by mercy) we faint not...
 - 1Th 2:3,4 For our exhortation was not of deceit, nor of uncleanness, nor in guile:
 - Job 8:8-10 There is much to learn, Job, from the voice of experience.
- II. All these attacks are assuming Job's guilt and leaving it to him to prove his innocence.
 - 8:11-19 There is something missing in your life Job.
 - 8:13 Job must be a hypocrite without hope.
 - 8:20 if you were perfect Job, God would help you.
- Job 8:20 Cast down but not cast away. Ps 37:24; 94:14
- 2Co 4:9 Persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed;

Every guilty soul that will believe in Jesus Christ for forgiveness shall be justified in all things. Ps 42:5, 11; 43:5; 78:7; Rom. 15:8, 13 Pure Hope in Jesus Christ

Chapter 9: A Day's Man

Job 9:33 Neither is there any daysman betwixt us, that might lay his hand upon us both. (daysman: or, mediator) 1Ti 2:5 ... one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; 1Jo 2:1,2 ... we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous:... 1Co 11:32 ... judged, ... chastened of the Lord, that we should not be condemned Job 9:11 Lo, he goeth by me, and I see him not: he passeth on also, but I perceive him not. Job 9:32 For he is not a man, as I am, that I should answer him, and we should come together in judgment. Job 9:3,4 If he will contend with him, he cannot answer him one of a thousand. He is wise in heart, and mighty in strength: who hath hardened himself against him, and hath prospered? Job 10:2 I will say unto God, Do not condemn me; shew me wherefore thou contendest with me. Job 9:16 If I had called, and he had answered me; yet would I not believe that he had hearkened unto my voice. Job 9:22,23 This is one thing, therefore I said it, He destroyeth the perfect and the wicked.23 If the scourge slay suddenly, he will laugh at the trial of the innocent. Job 9:27-29 If I try to be happy what good will it do? Job 9:33 Neither is there any daysman betwixt us, that might lay his hand upon us both. If I only had a Mediator Job 16:21 O that one might plead for a man with God, as a man pleadeth for his neighbour!

We have a whole lot more than what Job was asking for.

- Jn.14:6-11, 16-20, 26; 15:26; 16:7-16; Heb.4:14-15
 - 1. A better understanding of the whole Godhead.
 - 2. Mediator, comforter and Great High Priest
 - 3. Another Comforter
- **John 14:16** And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;

Chapter 10: A Deliverer and Judge

Job 10:7 Thou knowest that I am not wicked; and there is none that can deliver out of thine hand. Job 10:1 My soul is weary of my life; I will leave my complaint upon myself; I will speak in the bitterness of my soul. I will say unto God, Do not condemn me; shew me wherefore thou Job 10:2 contendest with me. Job 10:3 Is it **good unto thee** that thou shouldest oppress, that thou shouldest despise the work of thine hands, and shine upon the counsel of the wicked? → It is (good unto thee) that we praise you just the same. Job 1:21 And said, Naked came I out of my mother's womb, and naked shall I return thither: the LORD gave, and the LORD hath taken away; blessed be the name of the LORD. \rightarrow Jg 20:22 1Sa 30:6 2Ki 4:26 It is well. Ro 8:1 There is therefore **now** no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, 1Co 11:32 But when we are judged, we are chastened of the Lord, that we should not be condemned with the world. →Mt 12:20. Isa 42:3 Isa 42:4 He shall not fail nor be discouraged

Frame your conscience according to the Word of God and the Spirit of God not according to your passions. (Eph. 6:17 the Sword of the Spirit.)

- Job 10:15 If I be wicked, woe unto me; and if I be righteous, yet will I not lift up my head. **I am full of confusion**; therefore see thou mine affliction;
- Job 10:21.22 A land of darkness
 - Mt 4:16 The people which sat in darkness saw great light; ...
 - →I know you are my Deliverer and Judge; I just can't see it.
- Job 10:12 Thou hast granted me life and favour, and thy visitation hath preserved my spirit.
 - But now Job was weary, bitter and confused.
 - v.13 And these things hast thou hid in thine heart: I know that this is with thee.
- Job 10:1 My soul is weary of my life; I will leave my complaint upon myself; I will speak in the bitterness of my soul.
- Job 10:7,8 Thou knowest that I am not wicked; and there is none that can deliver out of thine hand. → (Man is God's handiwork.) ← 8 Thine hands have made me and fashioned me together round about; **yet thou dost destroy me.**

Job 10:10 Hast thou not poured me out as milk, and curdled me like cheese?

- V.14 A complete record of my sin without acquittal.
- V.15 Job with them is viewing his afflictions as God's disfavor. Prov. 18:14
- V.16 lion \rightarrow v.17 war \rightarrow v. 22 light is as darkness
- When the dagger is left in the soul the question is v.18
- Job 10:17 Thou renewest thy witnesses against me, and increasest thine **indignation** upon me; <u>changes and war</u> are against me.