

# Job

## God is in Control

Job 38-42

Gathering: How have you been able to find peace in stressful situations by turning control over to God?

Today's Focus: God questions Job so that Job realizes that he cannot comprehend God's perfect ways and that he was wrong in being upset that God didn't do things Job's ways. God blesses Job again.

Key Verses: The Lord said, *"Everything under heaven belongs to Me"*. Job 41:11

*I know that You can do all things; no plan of Yours can be thwarted..* Job 42:2

Opening Prayer

### Lesson

Review of Studies 1 - 5

Job - A Righteous Man Suffers (*Chapters 1 & 2*)

First OT book of poetry - Hebrew poetry is based on parallelism

What happened to Job?

What had Job done to deserve his suffering?

Did Job realize the reasons behind his suffering?

How did Job respond to his losses?

Suffering - Persuasion to Repent? (*Chapters 3 - 14*)

How did Job's friends explain the cause & solution to Job's troubles?

Were Job's friends correct?

Did Job agree with his friends' analysis?

What did Job ask of God?

Suffering - Punishment for the Wicked? (*Chapters 15 - 21*)

Per Job's friends, who suffers as Job has?

Did Job agree?

What reward can the faithful expect?

Suffering - Beyond Man's Understanding? (*Chapters 22-31*)

Where did Job turn after giving up on his friends?

What did Job want to help him face God?

How can man find wisdom?

Suffering - Guidance From Sin? (*Chapters 32-37*)

Why did Elihu wait until now to speak?

Why did he feel he had wisdom to share despite his youth?

Per Elihu, how does God speak to man?

Per Elihu, why does God speak to man?

How can man be saved from hell?

What is impacted by our sin or righteousness?

How do wicked & righteous differ in response to suffering?

How does God respond to man's response?

Should Job understand God and His ways?

How does God use storms?

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Finally, God Revealed! (*Job 38:1*)

How did God finally reveal himself?

*Job 38:1*

What method was Job afraid that God would use to reveal himself?

*Job 9:16-17*

Why might Job have been especially afraid of this?

*Job 1:18-19*

How did the first storm differ from the last storm?

*Job 1:12*

Why might God have used this method to reveal himself?

*Romans 8:28*

God's Complaint (*Job 38:2-3*)

What complaint did God have against Job?

*Job 38:2*

How did God preface his revelation?

*Job 38:3*

How does this approach compare with Job's request for God to speak?

*Job 13:22*

With God's introduction, how is Job expecting God to proceed?

*Job 13:23*

God Responds (*Job 38 & 39*)

What questions does God ask Job to answer?

*Job 38:4 (4-7)*

*Job 38:8 (8-11)*

*Job 38:12 (12-15)*

*Job 38:18 (16-18)*

*Job 38:19 (19-21)*

*Job 38:22, 24, 25, 29 (22-30)*

*Job 38:32 (31-33)*

*Job 38:36-37 (34-38)*

*Job 38:41 (39-40)*

*Job 39:1 (1-4)*

*Job 39:5 (5-8)*

*Job 39:9 (9-12)*

*Job 39:17-18 (13-18)*

*Job 39:19 (19-25)*

*Job 39:27 (26-30)*

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### The Reasons Why (*Job 40:1-5*)

How was Job expecting God to question him?

Job 6:24

What did God actually ask of Job?

Job 40:1-2

How did Job respond?

Job 40:3-5

Is God skirting the issue, or getting to the main point?

What is God trying to teach Job about God's nature and man's nature?

Who is prosecutor and who is defender in Chapters 3-37?

Who is prosecutor and who is defender in Chapters 38-42?

Does God reveal the specific reasons why Job suffered?

Has Job ever asked for answers to the "whys" behind his losses?

What has been Job's concern throughout the book?

What kinds of questions do you ask God when you have troubles?

What might God be trying to reveal to you?

### God's Justice (*Job 40:6-14*)

How did Job feel he had been treated by God, the judge?

Job 7:21

How did Job feel about the quality of God's justice?

Job 9:22-24

Did God recognize what Job had been saying?

Job 40:8 (6-8)

How does God respond to Job's charges?

Job 40:10-12 (9-14)

### The Behemoth and the Leviathan (*Job 40:15-41:34*)

What is man's relation to the Behemoth?

Job 40:15

What is the point God is making with the strength of the Behemoth?

Job 40:24 (15-24)

What other creature is used to show man's lack of control over creation?

Job 41:1, 8-9 (1-11)

What kind of creature is the Leviathan?

Job 41:15, 19, 24, 31 (12-32)

What creature is God actually referring to?

Revelation 12:3, 9

How does God confirm this reference in Job?

Job 41:33-34

Who does have power over the Leviathan?

Job 41:11

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### Job's Response (*Job 42:1-6*)

Did Job understand what God was saying?

Job 42:1-2

How did Job respond?

Job 42:3-6

### Job's Friends (*Job 42:7-9*)

Did God agree with the advice that Job's friends had given?

Job 42:7

What did God require of the friends and how did they respond?

Job 42:8-9

### God's Blessings (*Job 42:10-17*)

What happened before God restored blessings to Job? What did this show?

Job 42:10

How did God bless Job?

Job 42:12-13 (*11-15*)

How else did God bless Job?

Job 42:16-17

### Closing Prayer

### Course Summary

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