



Doth Job Fear God for Nought?

Memory Text: But he said unto her, Thou speakest as one of the foolish women speaketh. What? shall we receive good at the hand of God, and shall we not receive evil? In all this did not Job sin with his lips. Job 2:10

God's Servant, Job

SUNDAY: October 9

Key Passage(s): Job 1:1-22

1. Reviewing from last week, when Satan asks the question "doth Job fear God for nought," who is the principle subject of Satan's accusations? Job 1:6-9

2. Fearing God is much more than mere reverence. What does the fear of the Lord mean using the biblical principle of interpretation—the law of first appearance? What was Satan really asking? Genesis 22:12, 18

3. What did Satan attribute Job's obedience to? (Review) Who is that hedge? Psalm 34:7; Daniel 3:25

4. Satan's accusation was referencing the blessings God gives to those who obey (Job 1:10 - him, his family, his possessions/wealth and work). Who was Satan trying to attribute the calamities that were about to fall on Job? Who was actually responsible? Job 1:11, 12

5. (Discussion) How does this exchange illuminate issues in the great controversy?

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Skin for Skin: The Battle Continues

MONDAY: October 10

Key Passage(s): Job 2:1-13

1. In chapter 2 we have another heavenly gathering and again Satan comes as a representative of earth. What does God ask Satan that was different from the first questions in chapter 1? Job 2:2, 3

2. You have heard the expression "to save his skin." What does "skin for skin" mean? Job 2:4, 5

3. What was the only prohibition God gave to Satan concerning? Job 2:6

4. Job's existence was more than just saving his own life. Why did Job exist and why do we exist? Isaiah 43:7; Exodus 33:18, 19

"So it came to pass. By his patient endurance he vindicated his own character, and thus the character of Him whose representative he was." Education, p. 156.2

5. Why did Jesus come to this earth? Was it just for the salvation of man alone that He came to earth or was there a bigger picture? John 1:1-3, 14

"But the plan of redemption had a yet broader and deeper purpose than the salvation of man. It was not for this alone that Christ came to the earth; it was not merely that the inhabitants of this little world might regard the law of God as it should be regarded; but it was to vindicate the character of God before the universe. . . . The act of Christ in dying for the salvation of man would not only make heaven accessible to men, but before all the universe it would justify God and His Son in their dealing with the rebellion of Satan. It would establish the perpetuity of the law of God and would reveal the nature and the results of sin." - Ellen G. White, *Patriarchs and Prophets*, pp. 68, 69.

6. (Discussion) Which is more virtuous in the eyes of heaven, laying down our lives for Him or vindicating His character? 1Corinthians 13:3

Notes:

Blessed Be the Name of the Lord

TUESDAY: October 11

Key Passage(s): Job 1:20-22

1. Why does Job rip his clothing? Why did Reuben rent his garments? Genesis 37:29

2. Despite all of the first hardships Job faced, at the end of it all, what was Job's attitude through it all? Job 1:21

"As you talk of his goodness, you will see more of his love to talk about. Thus the mind may be trained to live in the brightness of the Sun of righteousness, and not in the shadow which Satan casts athwart our path. Hope in God, who is the health of our countenance, and our God." Review and Herald, September 1, 1891, par. 7

3. Name two things Job refused to do during his tribulation. Job 1:22

4. (Discussion) What is the difference between sin and temptation? Are they the same? James 1:13-15

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Job's Wife

WEDNESDAY: October 12

Key Passage(s): Job 2:9, 10

1. Satan's last two-fold attack on Job was the worst. What happened to Job physically? Job 2:7, 8

2. What was the second phase of the second attack by Satan? Job 2:9

3. Who was speaking through Job's wife as he used the serpent of old?

"Satan says, "Curse God and die."" Manuscript 13, p. 151.3.

4. (Discussion) How important is it to have a consecrated spouse when going through trials?

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Obedience Unto Death

THURSDAY: October 13

Key Passage(s): Job 2:10

1. How did Job respond to his spouse? Job 2:10

2. How should we respond to a contentious spouse? Proverbs 15:1

3. (Discussion) Does God create evil? Does He create evil in our lives?

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