

Satan and Job

Introducing Job

1: spiritually mature, reverent, obedient

2: seven sons

3: “Keep up with the Jobs”

4-5: he never let wealth take eyes off God

Book of Job answers questions
that many are afraid to ask

I. Satan Comes To “Services” (1:6-12)

What happened?

6: 'sons' (angels); gave account to God
Satan came among them.

7: God's first question. (1 Pt.5:8)

8: God's second question.

9-11: satan slanders Job.

12: for our benefit, God accepts the challenge

- Lk.4, Nazareth . . .
 - Ac.5 . . . 1 Co.10:20-22; 14:33; 15 . . .
- Ezk.14:14, 20

Ezekiel 14

14 Even if these three men, Noah, Daniel, and Job, were in it, they would deliver only themselves by their righteousness, says the Lord God... **20** even though Noah, Daniel, and Job were in it, as I live, says the Lord God, they would deliver neither son nor daughter; they would deliver only themselves by their righteousness.

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II. The Integrity Of Job
(1:13-2:10)

Job's reaction

13: satan's timing: four calamities, same day

14-19: Job is bankrupt, bereaved

20: tore / shaved

21: reduced to the day of his birth ... but
attached to God

22: Job, the boomerang ... satan the liar

2:1-3: God's salt in satan's wound

Job's reaction

4-5: satan admits no wrong

‘Skin for skin...’ – gladly trade lives of animals, servants, children to save himself

6: permitted to afflict Job's body

7: boils

8: potsherd (7:5)

9-10: will not curse...

- Integrity (2:3): innocence, soundness

- Patience (Ja.5:11). 7:4; 19:25; 30:1

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Mrs. Job

9: resented losses / children; angry at God ...
and at Job for being calm.

10: foolish. Satan fails again.

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Job's friends

Golden silence.

Friends' view: suffering implies punishment for sin.

4:7, guilty!

42:7, wrong!

Their ignorance lives on.

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V. Faithfulness Of Job

Job's faithfulness

13:22, Job gets his wish. Ch.38

42:3-6, now guilty of sin.

- Job overcame severe trials, only to succumb at last to accusations of ignorant friends...

No, my daughters; for it grieves me very much for your sakes that the hand of the Lord has gone out against me! – Ruth 1:13

42:7, friends ask Job to pray for them.

Not all our questions are answered now

What do we know?

1. God is just, Gn.18:25.
2. God loves us, Ro.8:35-37. 1 Pt.4:16.
3. God will not let temptation overpower us,
Ro.8:37; 1 Co.10:13.
4. God is worthy of trust, even when we suffer,
Hb.12.