

The Book of Job



“Job and His Three Friends” - Ilya Efimovich Repin, 1869

“Will a Man Serve God For Nothing?” (1:9)

Introduction To The Book Of Job

Author And Date

1. Who is the author of the book of Job?
2. When was the book of Job written?
3. When do the events of the book of Job occur and what facts lead to this conclusion? (42:16, 1:3, 42:12)
4. Where do the events of the book of Job occur? (1:1, Lam. 4:21)

Christ In The Book Of Job

5. How is Christ pre-figured in the book of Job?
6. What roles can only Christ fulfill? (19:25-27, Eph. 1:7, Job 9:33, 1 John 2:1-2)

Keys To The Book Of Job

7. What is the key word in the book of Job?
8. What question expresses the theme of the book?
9. What are the key verses in the book of Job?
10. What is the key chapter in the book of Job?

Outline Of The Book Of Job

I. The Suffering of Job, chapters 1-2

- A. Job's character and circumstances, 1:1-5
- B. Satan's first assault, 1:6-22
- C. Satan's second assault, 2:1-10
- D. Job's friends arrive, 2:11-13

II. The Debates, chapters 3 – 37

- A. First cycle of debates, 3:1- ch.14
- B. Second cycle of debates, 15-21
- C. Third cycle of debates, 22-26
- D. Job's final defense, 27-31
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III. Job's Deliverance, chapters 38-42

- A. God's first controversy with Job, 38-40:5
- B. God's second controversy with Job, 40:6-42:6
- C. The deliverance of Job and his friends, 42:7-17

Job's Suffering, Job 1-2

Job's Character And Circumstances, 1:1-5

1. What kind of man was Job? (1:1, 8)
2. Why is this description of Job important in our understanding the book?
3. What kind of family did Job have? (1:4-5)

Satan's First Assault, 1:6-22

4. What may Satan mean in his response to God's question? (1:7, 2:2)
5. What is Satan's charge against Job and what does it imply about God? (1:9-11)
6. What important point must be understood in the fact Satan comes before God and may not act against Job without God's permission?
7. Throughout this book, is Job aware of what has been going on “behind the scenes”?
8. In what manner does Satan first assault Job? (1:12-19)
9. How does Job react to Satan's first assault and how does he show Satan to be a liar? (1:20-22)

Satan's Second Assault, 2:1-10

10. What excuse does Satan make for his initial failure? (2:4-5)
11. How doe Satan further afflict Job? (2:7-8)
12. How is Job's wife serve to be a trial to his faith? What should her role have been? (2:9-10, Gen. 2:20-25)

Job's Friends Arrive, 2:11-13

13. Who came to Job because they had hear of his affliction? (2:11, 32:1-3)
14. How do Job's friends react to his situation and his suffering? (2:12-13)