

**REVIEW** — Let's remember what we have learned ...

I. JOB'S CHARACTER — Meet Mr. Job 1:1-5

Lesson #1 — There is such a thing as **INNOCENT** suffering.

II. JOB'S CONFLICT — When You Get the Worst News of Your Life 1:6-22

Lesson #2 — The **GLORY** of God is more important than your or my or Job's comfort.

III. JOB'S CONTENTMENT — Worshipping God in The Valley of Despair 2:1-10

Lesson #3 — Biblical prosperity is growing richer in our **KNOWLEDGE** and **LOVE** of God.

**INTRODUCTION** — But I still have questions

The "Why" & "Where" Question in Human Suffering

- NO I don't believe there is a GOD.
- 2. **YES** But He is not **INVOLVED** with suffering.
- 3. **YES** But He lacks the **POWER** to do anything about it.
- 4. NO God allows people to make their own CHOICES.
- 5. **NO** God does not know the **FUTURE**.

## **LESSON** — Important Lessons & Hard Questions From the Book of Job

#### I. LESSONS ABOUT SATAN

Satan is the **IMMEDIATE** cause of suffering.

Job 1:13-19; 2:7 — Sabeans, fire, wind, loss of possessions, children, boils.

2 Corinthians 4:4

Ephesians 2:3

1 John 5:19

2 Timothy 2:26

Satan's motive, in his attack, is ultimate **EVIL**.

Genesis 50:20

Luke 22:31

John 10:10

### II. LESSONS ABOUT GOD

God is the **<u>ULTIMATE</u>** cause of this suffering.

Job 1:12,21; 2:6,10; 38:1; 40:1; 42:11

Deuteronomy 32:39

Isaiah 45:5-7

Ephesians 1:11

God's motive, in our suffering, is our ultimate **GOOD**.

Genesis 50:20

Isaiah 45:7

1 John 1:5

Psalm 5:4

Romans 8:28

# 4 Things to Watch For

- 1) That you might **CURSE** God. (Job 2:9)
- 2) That you might **BLAME** God. (Job 40:8)
- 3) That you might **NEGLECT** God. (Job 37:24)
- 4) That you might **DOUBT** God. (Job 42:2)

#### 7 Things to Want

- 1) That you would **PRAISE** God. (Job 1:21; 1 Thess. 5:18; Eph. 5:20)
- 2) That you would **ACCEPT** from God your situation. (Job 2:10)
- 3) That you would **EXAMINE** your heart. (Psalm 139:23-24)
- 4) That you would **PRAY** and **EMBRACE** God's will. (2 Cor. 12:7-10)
- 5) That you would **FORGIVE** those who have sinned against you. (Job 42:7-10)
- 6) That you would **ENTRUST** justice and judgment to God. (1 Peter 2:23)
- 7) That you would **REMEMBER** Christ endured the greatest suffering possible.