

WHEN GOD SPEAKS

(The Book of Job)



A Tour With God Through The Zoo Job 38:39-40:5

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

When God Speaks (Chapters 38-42)

- There is no **CONDEMNATION**.
- There are no **APOLOGIES**.
- There are no **COMPLIMENTS**.
- There are no **EXPLANATIONS** (the most shocking omission of all).

What God Says (Chapter 38:1-40:2)

“Then the Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind and said, ...”

- There is God's **CHALLENGE** — Job is on Trial **38:1-3**
- There is God's **CREATION** — Job Tours God's World **38:4-40:2**

INTRODUCTION — The Importance of the Doctrine of Creation to those Suffering

What does Carl Sagan say?

Note: It leads to the utter **INSIGNIFICANCE** of humanity.

What does God say?

Note: It brings the believer back from the edge of **DESPAIR** and breathes fresh **HOPE** into their soul (1 Peter 4:19)

LESSON — A Tour With God Through the Zoo 38:39-40:5

I. THE REMINDER — God’s Creative Care 38:1-39:30

First, God points out a **STRONG** animal = the lion. (38:39-40)

Second, God points out a **SKITTISH** animal = the raven. (38:41)

Third, God points out a **SHY** animal = the deer. (39:1-4)

Fourth, God points out a **STUBBORN** animal = the wild donkey. (39:5-8)

Fifth, God points out a **STURDY** animal = the wild ox/unicorn K.J.V. (39:9-12)

Sixth, God points out a **STRANGE** animal = the ostriches’. (39:13-18)

Seventh, God points out a **STATELY** animal = the horse. (39:19-25)

Eighth, God points out a **STUNNING** animal = the hawk/eagle. (39:26-30)

II. THE RESPONSE — Job’s Cautious Consideration 40:1-5

The Lord’s Reminder vs. 1-2 (cf. Job 31:35)

“... will the faultfinder contend with the Almighty?”

Job’s Response vs. 3-5

“Then Job answered the Lord, and said ...”

He was **SURRENDERED**. v. 4a *“I am insignificant; what can I reply to You?”*

He was **SILENCED**. v. 4b *“I lay my hand on my mouth.”*

He was **SUBMISSIVE**. v.5 *“... and I will add nothing more.”*