

Journal Page



- What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
- What does this story teach me about myself?
- Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
- Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
- How does this story help me to live on mission better?

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS

- Why do people sometimes suffer?
- How can we trust that God is still good, even in suffering?
- When will all suffering and pain end?

The Suffering of Job

Job

STORY POINT: JOB LEARNED THAT GOD IS GOOD, EVEN IN SUFFERING.

Job was a wealthy man who loved God and wanted to follow God's plan. One day, Satan came to God. "Job only follows You because You protect him and bless him," Satan said. "If You take away everything Job has, he will not follow You anymore."

So God gave Satan permission to take away everything Job had, but Satan was not allowed to hurt Job. In one day, Job lost everything. Job was sad, but he still followed God.

Satan came to God again. He said, "If Job gets sick, he will not praise You anymore." So God gave Satan permission to make Job sick, but God did not let Satan kill Job. Three of Job's friends visited Job. They said, "Job, if you do what is right and stop sinning, God will give you back everything you lost."

"I haven't done anything wrong," Job said. Job did not understand why he was suffering.

Finally, a man named Elihu came to Job. "God is greater than man," Elihu explained. "God always does what is right."

Then God spoke to Job through a whirlwind. Job could not completely understand God's plans, but he could trust God. Job was sorry for doubting God. God gave back to Job everything he had lost—and so much more.

Christ Connection: Job learned that God is all-powerful, sovereign, and good. When we face suffering, we can hope in God. God sent Jesus, the only truly innocent One, to suffer and die so that everyone who trusts in Him can have forgiveness and eternal life.



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Word Match

Match each word with the correct definition. Trace the path for each star to check your answers.

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| 1. all-powerful | A. able to control all things and accomplish whatever one pleases |
| 2. sovereign (SAHV ren) | B. having complete or unlimited power |
| 3. good | C. pleasing, kind, and gracious |



Reply All

Look up the Bible verses and fill in the speech bubbles to show how Job replied to each situation.



A servant spoke to Job. (Job 1:18-19)
Job replied. (Job 1:20-21)



Job's wife spoke to Job. (Job 2:9)
Job replied. (Job 2:10)



God spoke to Job. (Job 40:1-2)
Job replied. (Job 40:3-5)