

**The God of the Whirl Wind****God's Supremacy in Job's Trials****Part One: The God of Job**

Job 1:1-5

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Job's God Was Supreme

1. The Author & Date of Job (Ezek.14:14, 20; James 14:5)
2. The Perspective of God in Job
 - God is sovereign(Isaiah, Revelation, Job 7:3; 9:19; 14:5; 20:29; 23:14; 30:23; 34:13)
 - God is pleased for the righteous to suffer (Gen. 3:15; Job 6:9; Isa. 53:10)
 - God is all wise (Job 38:36,37; 39:26; Isa. 55:8,9)
3. The Poetic Wisdom of Job (Job 1:21; 2:10; 5:17-18; 7:17-18; 13:15; 19:23-29)

Job 1: 1 Job's God Was To Be Feared - Vs. 1 (Prov.9:10)

1. The land of uncertain location - *Uz*
2. The man of unrivaled piety..... Job *tried* and *repentant*
 - Blameless (1:1,8; 2:3; 9:20; 23:10-12)
 - Upright (27:7-11; 29:7,21-24; 31:13-21,32)
 - Feared God (23:13-16; Prov. 9:10; 10:27)
 - Shunned evil (Prov. 8:13)

Job 1:2-3 Job's God Was Gracious (Job 2:10)

1. God made Job prosperous (2:10)
 - He enjoyed God's complete provision for a family (Prov. 17:6; Ps. 127:3-5)
 - He enjoyed God's complete provision for life (Job 1:10; Ps.128:1,2)
2. God made Job famous
 - The greatest of all the people of the East (Job 29:1-14, 21,25)
 - He was appointed a day of prosperity (Eccl. 7:14; Ps. 62:10)

Job 1:4-5 Job's God Was Holy

1. Job's family celebrated life together
2. Job was his family's priest before a holy God
3. Job feared his family might have offended a holy God
 - "...it may be that my sons have sinned ..." (Job 1:5)
 - "...and cursed God in their hearts..." (Job 1:11; 2:5,9)

Questions for Further Discussion and Discovery

1. Why must the righteous catch a glimpse of heaven during their suffering?
2. What essential attributes of God are we to remember when adversity hits the righteous?
3. What impresses you about Job's spirituality?
4. Which characteristics of his faith do you see lacking most in our generation? Why?
5. Why is Proverbs 9:10 critical to understanding how to live wisely?
6. Why is it so hard to live by faith in days of prosperity? What does this say about Job?
7. How do Ecclesiastes 7:14 and Psalm 62:10 advise us to live in prosperity?
8. What impressed you about Job's yearly family celebrations together even when he couldn't be there with them? What do you think Job and his wife did to instill this in them?
9. What traditions or celebrations like Job's family do you and your family enjoy?
10. How can families retain their closeness after the children grow up and leave the home?
11. In what ways are we today to be the priests of our families?
12. What burdens do you pray regularly about for your children? Why?
13. How can others pray for you and your family?

Next Sunday**The Supremacy of God**

Job 1:6-22