

# The Book of Job

13. List some statements by Job that may have elicited the reaction we see from God later in the book.
- "I will say to God... Let me know why You contend with me." (10:2-3, 7)
  - "And I desire to argue with God." (13:3)
  - "Let me speak, then reply to me." (13:22-23)
  - "I cry, 'Violence!' but I get no answer." (19:7)
  - "I would fill my mouth with arguments"... "There the upright would reason with Him" (23:3-7)
  - "Let the Almighty answer me!" (31:35)

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14. Beginning in chapter 32, we are introduced to a fourth visitor. Who was he and how does he describe himself?

- Elihu, son of Barachel
- A Buzite (Nephew of Abraham)
- Of the family of Ram/Lineage of Judah (Ruth 4:19)
- Young, shy, afraid, and respectful
- Full of words (32:18-20)

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- Angry at Job for justifying himself and not God
- Angry at the three for condemning Job even though they could not refute his defense
- To Job: "Array yourself before me, take your stand." (33:5-7)
- Indeed God speaks once, or twice, yet no one notices" (33:13-18),
- "Behold, God does all these oftentimes with men, To bring back his soul from the pit." (33:29-30)
- "Far be it from God to do wickedness, and from the Almighty to do wrong." (34:10-12)

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- “For His eyes are upon the ways of a man and He sees all his steps.” (34:21)
  - “For he adds rebellion to his sin; He claps his hands among us, and multiplies his words against God”. (34:37)
  - The case is before Him, and you must wait for Him! (35:14)
  - “Beware that wrath does not entice you to scoffing...” (36:18)
  - A preview of God’s answer (36:22-37:23)

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## Chapters 38-41

- From the whirlwind
- Who dares darken counsel without knowledge?
- “Gird up your loins like a man”...
- Let the requested hearing begin.
- No mention of the suffering or its origin
- Where were you? Who did...? Who has...? Do you know? Have you? Can you?
- Creation, the universe, instinct, the great beasts

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16. What is Job's reaction when the Lord challenges him with questions concerning his knowledge of creation?
- "Behold, I am insignificant; what can I reply to You? I lay my hand on my mouth. "Once I have spoken, and I will not answer; Even twice, and I will add nothing more." (40:4-5)
  - A man laid low, his suffering much less a concern. (42:1-6)

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17. What message does God have for the three friends?

- "...Because you have not spoken of Me what is right as My servant Job has." (42:7)
- "Offer burnt offerings... and my servant Job will pray for you." (v. 8)



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18. What was Job's reward for his faithfulness?

- More blessed than before
- Twice the riches
- 7 sons and 3 beautiful daughters
- Long life, seeing four generations, full of days



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## 19. Lessons from Job?

- God's compassion and mercy on those who endure (Jas 5:11)
- "Though He slay me..." (13:15; 19:25-27; 34:12)  
Trust the Lord. We do not know His purposes.
- He owes us no answers.
- When Satan finds no inner weakness with which to tempt, he will turn to outside influences.
- No security in physical blessings (29:18-20)
- Human perception is no indicator of a man's righteousness or wickedness, nor of God's approval or disapproval
- Standing in God's presence



# **Survey of Proverbs**

**“To know wisdom and instruction...**

**The fear of the Lord is  
the beginning of knowledge.”**

**Prov. 1:1, 7**



# Survey of Proverbs

- Generally true. Best life for the best outcome.
- Short statement expressing a truth or advice.
- Latin “proverbium”
- Most civilizations have them
- “Distilled wisdom of the ages” which transcends time.
- Common terms:
  - Fool... one who refuses wisdom
  - Simple one... young, inexperienced
  - Wise man... experienced, solid foundation of the fear of the Lord



# Survey of Proverbs

1. What three men are listed as the source of the proverbs contained within the book? (1:1; 30:1; 31:1)

- Solomon
- Agur
- King Lemuel



# Survey of Proverbs

2. From 1:2-9, what is the purpose of the book?
  - Know wisdom and instruction
  - Discern sayings of understanding
  - Receive instruction in wise behavior, righteousness, justice, and equity
  - Give prudence to the naive, knowledge and discretion to the youth
  - An increase in learning for the wise
  - Wise counsel for a man of understanding
  - Aid in understanding proverb, figure, the words of the wise and their riddles



# Survey of Proverbs

## *Parents and Children*

3. From what familiar perspective is nearly one-third of the book given?

- Advice and instruction from a father to his young son