



Grades 4-5 • Lesson 32

Job's Suffering

Job 1:1-12, 1:14-22, 2:4-7, 42:12-13

RHETORICAL	GOD	SOVEREIGN
JOB	TEN	FRIENDS
SATAN	WORSHIPPED	OMNIPOTENT
REDEEMER	SORES	SHEEP

Across

- Attribute of God that means He is in complete control of everything.
- Attribute of God that means He is all-powerful to do whatever He wants.
- Job owned 7,000 of these animals in Job 1:3, and God restored 14,000 of these to Job in Job 42:12.
- Job's response after his children were destroyed and his animals taken.
- Claimed that Job would curse God if his blessings were taken away.
- Number of Job's children who were destroyed.

Down

- Accused Job of sinning.
 - Described by God as blameless and upright.
 - The kind of question with an obvious answer.
 - Gave permission for Job's suffering.
 - Suffering Satan inflicted on Job's body.
 - Job found comfort knowing that who lives?
- (See Job 19:25)

ACROSS: 3) sovereign 8) omnipotent 9) sheep 10) worshipped 11) Satan 12) ten DOWN: 1) friends 2) Job 4) rhetorical 5) God 6) sores 7) Redeemer

Name

Learn the Word

Write the letter that comes before each letter in the box below it to complete the verse.

Hebrews 11:1 & 6

Now

G	B	J	U	I

 is the assurance of things

I	P	Q	F	E

for, the conviction of things not seen. And without faith it is

impossible to

Q	M	F	B	T	F

him, for whoever would draw

O	F	B	S

 to God must believe

that he exists and that he

S	F	X	B	S	E	T

 those

who seek him.

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ
QRSTUVWXYZ

What You Heard *In the Word*

- God is in control. He is sovereign over good things, bad things, weather, sickness, death—everything!
- Job could worship God in his suffering because he trusted God.

OutWord *For Family Discussion*

What if your friends are all talking about the destruction of an earthquake or some other disaster, and you realize they don't believe that God would ever have anything to do with something that terrible? **What could you say?**

The Bible says over and over that God is the Creator of the universe and He controls all of it. If we don't believe God is in control, why would we pray for a sunny day or for more rain when it's dry? Why would we pray that our sick friends get well? Listen to your own prayers, and I think you'll agree that God is in control of everything! The disasters we have on earth are the result of man's sin. But one day, God will make a new heaven and earth where there will be no death, disasters, disease, or sadness.

HomeWord *For Parents*

God's sovereignty is the theme of the book of Job. The book opens with a glimpse into the relationship between God and Satan. God controls Satan and uses him to accomplish His purposes on the earth. Satan can do only what God allows him to do—and in this account, God allowed Satan to test and afflict Job (Job 1:6, 1:8, 1:12, 2:6).

Many people today insist that a loving God would not let innocent people suffer. They have no concept of their own sinfulness, nor do they understand the holiness of God—that He can't tolerate any disobedience against Him. Instead, these people make a god in their imaginations to suit their own desires and reject what the Bible clearly teaches—there are no innocent people (Ecclesiastes 7:20); all of mankind has sinned (Romans 3:23); and the wages of sin is death (Romans 6:23).

In spite of our own sinfulness, God is still in control. We know that all things work together for good to those who love God (Romans 8:28), that our God is in heaven and does all that He pleases (Psalm 115:3), that He works all things according to the counsel of His will (Ephesians 1:11), and that both good and bad proceed from the mouth of the Most High (Lamentations 3:38).

These are important lessons as we walk through our own trials. Job demonstrated a remarkable faith and trust in the midst of severe pain and sorrow. Through the same trust in the sovereignty of God, we too can withstand the refining fire of the Master.

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