



DR. JOE K. TAYLOR, SENIOR PASTOR, SOUTH RENO BAPTIST CHURCH, RENO, NEVADA • JANUARY 23, 2022
All Scriptures are printed verbatim with translations noted. • When Pastor Joe's commentary is added, God's Word will
be printed in regular faced text with commentary in the smaller faced text. • Biblical words, underlined with dots, are
explained in the brackets. • Pastor Joe's email is Joe@southreno.com.

#### A. Introduction

- 1. Job is the oldest book in the Bible.
- 2. His name, Job, means "Where is God?"
- 3. Uz, where Job lived, was characterized as a land "falling apart" morally.
- 4. Job is primarily written in a poetic form.
- 5. It stresses the suffering of Job and the sovereignty of God.
- 6. It addresses one of the oldest questions: "Why do godly people suffer?"
- 7. We are only going to "survey" the book of Job—as it is 42 chapters long.
- 8. Job deals with the issue of suffering in its most severe form.

## **B. Study Section**

Job 1:1–5, NASB95 - <sup>1</sup> There was a man in the land of <u>Uz</u> [lit., "grazing"] whose name was Job; and that man was <u>blameless</u> [lit., complete; it typically refers to being complete emotionally, spiritually, mentally, and physically], <u>upright</u> [lit., to walk a straight line (think integrity)], <u>fearing God</u> [lit. reverent of God] and <u>turning away from evil</u> [lit., he abolished evil in his life]. <sup>2</sup> Seven sons and three daughters were born to him. <sup>3</sup> His possessions also were 7,000 sheep, 3,000 camels, 500 yoke of oxen, 500 female donkeys, and very many servants; and that man was the greatest of all the men of the east. <sup>4</sup> His sons used to go and hold a feast in the house of each one on his day,

and they would send and invite their three sisters to eat and drink with them. <sup>5</sup> When the days of feasting had completed their cycle, Job would send and consecrate them, rising up early in the morning and offering burnt offerings according to the number of them all; for Job said, "Perhaps my sons have sinned and cursed God in their hearts." Thus Job did continually.

### C. Message Section

#### 1. Job's Faith

**Job 1:1, TLB** - <sup>1</sup> There lived in the land of Uz a man named Job— a good man who feared God and stayed away from evil.

He was blameless

He was upright

He feared God

He turned away from evil

# 2. Job's Family

**Job 1:2, NASB** - <sup>2</sup> <u>Seven sons</u> and <u>three daughters</u> were born to him.

### 3. Job's Fortune

Job 1:3, NASB -<sup>3</sup> <u>His possessions</u> also were 7,000 sheep, 3,000 camels, 500 yoke of oxen, 500 female donkeys, and very many servants; and that man <u>was the greatest of all the men of the</u> east.

### 4. Job's Focus

Job 1:4–5, TLB -<sup>4</sup> Every year when Job's sons had birthdays, they invited their brothers and sisters to their homes for a celebration. On these occasions they would eat and drink with great merriment. <sup>5</sup> When these birthday parties ended—and sometimes they lasted several days—Job would summon his children to him and sanctify them, getting up early in the morning and offering a burnt offering for each of them. For Job said, "Perhaps my sons have sinned and turned away from God in their hearts." This was Job's regular practice.

### D. Life Application Section

- 1. Are you fully committed to God—heart, body, mind, and soul?
- 2. Do you have integrity before man and God?
- 3. Do you have reverence of God?
- 4. Do you shun evil?
- 5. Are you more concerned with others—especially, your family?