



FIRST BAPTIST

Preparing to Hear From God

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1. Respond well to _____ (22:2-5)

2. Work through the _____ of God (23:8-10)
 - a. Ask God for a hunger for His _____ (23:12)
 - b. Grow in accepting God's _____ (23:13)

3. Accept God's delayed, but certain _____ (24:1, 22-24)

4. Stand in _____ of God (28:28)

5. Resist building your own _____ (31:1, 35, 40)



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Job 22-31 (NIV) -

Job 22:2-5 - “Can a man be of benefit to God? Can even a wise man benefit him? 3What pleasure would it give the Almighty if you were righteous? What would he gain if your ways were blameless?

4“Is it for your piety that he rebukes you and brings charges against you?

5Is not your wickedness great? Are not your sins endless?

Job 23:8-10 - “But if I go to the east, he is not there; if I go to the west, I do not find him. 9When he is at work in the north, I do not see him; when he turns to the south, I catch no glimpse of him. 10But he knows the way that I take; when he has tested me, I will come forth as gold.

Job 23:12 - I have not departed from the commands of his lips; I have treasured the words of his mouth more than my daily bread.

Job 23:13 - But he stands alone, and who can oppose him? He does whatever he pleases.

Job 24:1 - Why does the Almighty not set times for judgment? Why must those who know him look in vain for such days?

Job 24:22-24 - 22But God drags away the mighty by his power; though they become established, they have no assurance of life.

23He may let them rest in a feeling of security, but his eyes are on their ways. 24For a little while they are exalted, and then they are gone; they are brought low and gathered up like all others; they are cut off like heads of grain.

Job 28:28 - And he said to man, ‘The fear of the Lord—that is wisdom, and to shun evil is understanding.’

Job 31:1 - I made a covenant with my eyes not to look lustfully at a girl.

Job 31:35 - (“Oh, that I had someone to hear me! I sign now my defense—let the Almighty answer me; let my accuser put his indictment in writing.)

Job 31:40 - then let briars come up instead of wheat and weeds instead of barley.”

The words of Job are ended.