

God's Megaphone: Pain and Providence in the Book of Job

Palm Sunday and the Purpose in Pain

Job 29–31

The Lord's Day Morning

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And he said, "Naked I came from my mother's womb, and naked shall I return. The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord."

–Job 1:21

Four Unchanging Traits of God

1. God is strong. He can do anything he wants to do (omnipotence).
2. God is smart. He knows everything there is to know (omniscience).
3. God is present. He is everywhere there is to go (omnipresence).
4. God is good. He does all things for his glory and our good (omnibenevolence).

Two Sides of The Dispute

1. Job's accusers: God has taken away good things because you have _____ (4–28).
2. Job's defense: You have produced no evidence of my guilt because _____ (29–31).

Three Principles to Live By

1. Our faithfulness to God does not obligate him to _____.
2. God's faithfulness to us compels him to _____.
3. Our ignorance of God's good purpose does not prove _____.