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**JOB 42:7-17**

**“GOD WANTS TO GIVE YOUR LIFE A HAPPY ENDING”**

**RECAP OF THE MAJOR LESSONS FROM JOB**

Overall theme: Those who fear God will NEVER turn against Him

– Our relationship status with God is NEVER to be measured by our material or earthly blessings, but measured only by our fear of God and desire to obey Him

Righteousness vs sinlessness

– righteousness is attained by believing in what God has revealed to us

Job’s righteousness was a result of his fear of God

– sinlessness = complete perfection, holiness (Jesus!)

4 categories of suffering:

1) Suffering caused by our own sin

Proper response: Repentance and faith in Jesus for our forgiveness

2) Suffering caused by sins committed against us

Proper response: forgive as we have been forgiven

3) Suffering as a result of living in a sinful, fallen, and broken world

Proper response: Remember that our hope is in eternal blessings in heaven as our inheritance through Christ

4) Suffering as a result of persecution

Proper response: Rejoice! Because persecution for the sake of righteousness is a sign that a Christian is genuinely and properly living out their faith regardless of who is watching. To be persecuted for the sake of Christ is a reassuring sign that the person fears God more than man.

**JESUS-THE GREATER JOB**

Jesus	Job
Satan tempted Him to sin against God (Matthew 4:1-11)	Satan tried to get Job to curse God (Job 1:11-12)

Intercedes between God and man (1 Timothy 2:5)	Interceded for family and friends (Job 1:5, 42:7-9)
Is exalted at the right hand of the Father (Acts 2:33)	Is doubly blessed after his sufferings (Job 42:10-17)
Remained obedient to the point of death (Philippians 2:8)	Remained faithful while believing God was punishing him (Job 13:15)
Suffered the full cup of God's wrath for sinners (Matthew 26:42)	Suffered innocently, thinking it was God's wrath (Job 30:20-23)
Jesus IS righteousness! (1 Corinthians 1:30-31)	Job was more righteous than anyone else (Job 1:8)

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1. Genesis: Joseph's family is saved from the famine
2. Exodus: God leads Israel away from Egypt
3. Leviticus/Numbers: God gives Israel commands to live prosperously
4. Deuteronomy: Moses dies, leads Israel up to the edge of the promised land
5. Joshua: Joshua dies, leads Israel INTO the promised land
6. Judges: Israel does what is right in their own eyes
7. Ruth: Davidic line begins
8. 1 Samuel: Saul & sons killed in battle
9. 1 Samuel: David repents and saves Israel from a plague
10. 1 Kings: evil kings rule over Israel
11. 2 Kings: Babylon conquers Judah
12. 1 Chronicles: Death of David
13. 2 Chronicles: Cyrus permits God's people to return to Jerusalem
14. Ezra/Nehemiah: God's people repent of their sins

15. Esther: Jews are saved from genocide
16. Jonah: Ninevites are saved from destruction
17. Daniel: God encourages Daniel to persevere to the end
18. Major/minor prophets: The Messiah, Day of the Lord (day of judgment)
19. The Gospels: Jesus is risen!
20. Acts of the Apostles: Paul awaiting his death in prison, but still preaching the Gospel
21. Revelation: All things are made NEW for all eternity!

2 Corinthians 5:17-19

Revelation 21:1-4

2 Corinthians 5:1-5

Revelation 6:10

Luke 23:34

Acts 7:60