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I WILL SEE GOD
A Study in Job

The Suffering of a Blameless Man



The Blameless
Follower of
God WILL
Suffer



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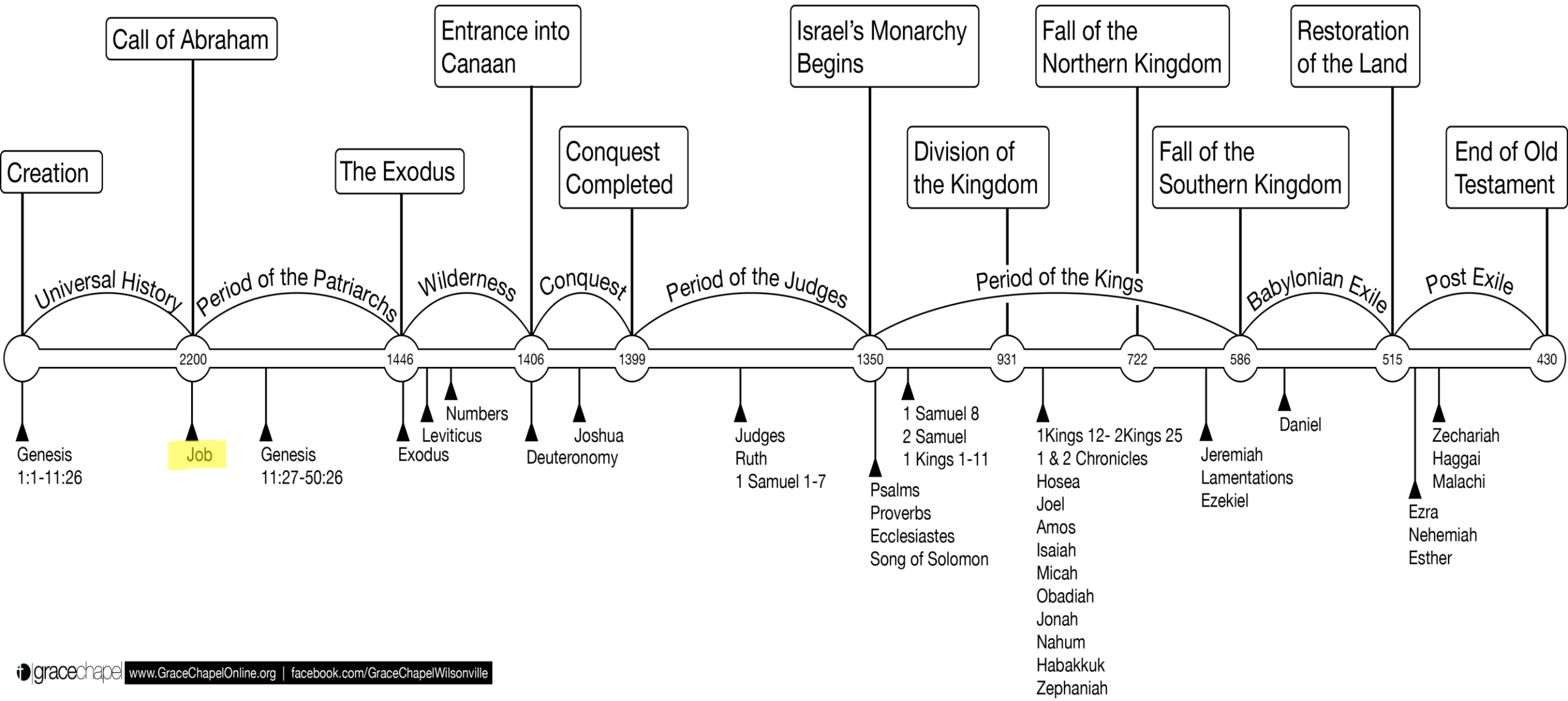
An illustration of a man with a long black beard and a white tunic, standing in a desert landscape. The background shows a sunset or sunrise with orange and red hues, and dark, jagged mountains in the distance. The man is looking upwards and to the right. The word "JOB" is written in large, white, bold letters across his chest.

JOB

Introduction to the Book of Job

- Who wrote Job?
- When was the book written?
- When do the events in Job take place?

OLD TESTAMENT TIMELINE



Interesting Facts About Job

MEANING: Job has two possible meanings:

- Hebrew: "The persecuted one."
- Arabic: "Repentant one."

AUTHOR: Unknown

TIME WRITTEN: While the events of Job took place during the Patriarchal Age, perhaps between Genesis 11 and 12, the time of its writing is unknown.

POSITION IN THE BIBLE:

- 18th Book in the Bible
- 18th Book in the Old Testament
- 1st of 5 Poetical books (Job - Song of Solomon)
- 48 Books to follow it.



CHAPTERS: 42

VERSES: 1,070

WORDS: 10,102

OBSERVATIONS ABOUT JOB:

- Many believe the Book of Job to be the earliest book of the Bible.
- Job is set during the times of the patriarchs.
- Factors to indicate a Patriarchal Age setting for Job:
 - Job lived about 140 years after the events of this book took place (42:14). Therefore, his life span must have been around 200 years. Abraham lives 175 years.
 - Job's wealth is measured in terms of livestock (1:3; 42:12) rather than silver and gold.
 - Like Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, Job is the patriarch of his family and offers sacrifices.
 - The social unit is the patriarchal clan.
 - Job uses the characteristic patriarchal name for God, "Shaddai" ("the Almighty").
 - There is no reference to:
 - Israel

JOB

- The exodus from Egypt
- The Mosaic Law
- The Tabernacle

- The Book of Job tells of a man who lost everything.
 - His wealth
 - His family
 - His health
- Job wrestles with the great question, WHY?
- The land of Uz (1:1) is adjacent to the land of Midian where Moses lived for some 40 years.
- The Book of Job deals with:
 - The question of the righteous having to suffer.
 - The sovereignty of God over creation.
- Three of Job's friends, Eliphaz, Bildad, and Zophar travel from nearby countries to visit with Job.

“Though He slay me, yet will I trust Him
... He also shall be my salvation.”

Job 13:15-16



Who is Job?

- Job is a righteous man of integrity - Job1:1, 2:3
 - Blameless
 - Upright
 - Fears the Lord
 - Turns away from evil
 - Has integrity
- Job is very blessed
 - 10 Children
 - Great wealth



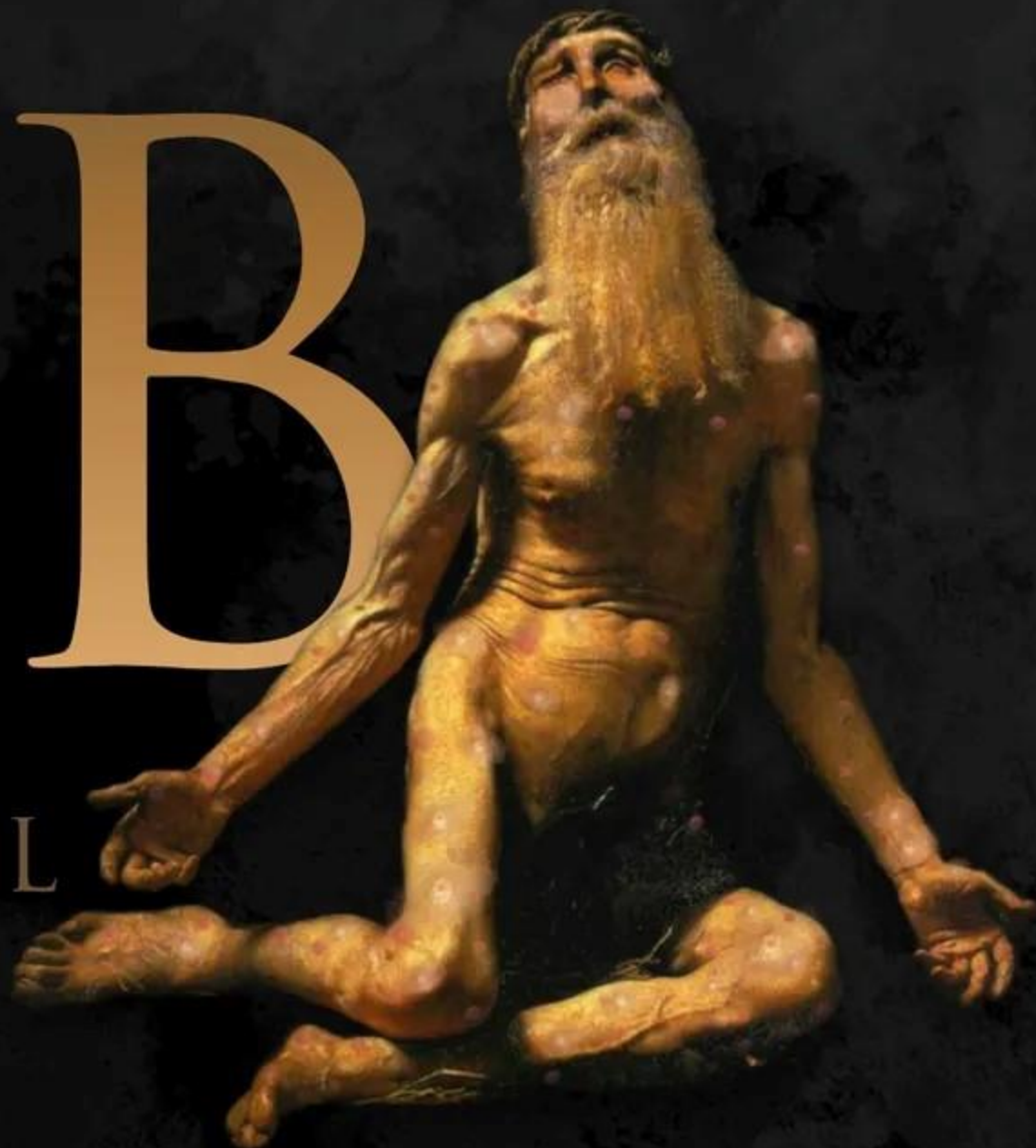


Blessings and Suffering

- Blessings and suffering are not mutually exclusive
 - Matthew 5:45
- People don't give credit to the giver of the blessing
 - Job 1:21
 - James 1:17
 - Mark 8:36

JOB

AND THE
PROBLEM OF EVIL



THEOLOGY'S TOUGHEST QUESTION

WHY?





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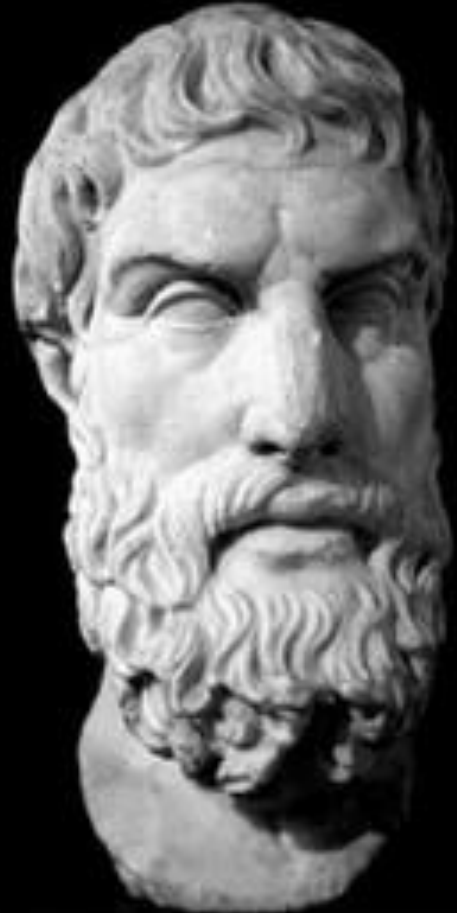
**"If there is a God, He will
have to beg
MY FORGIVENESS"**

**— A phrase carved into a
concentration camp cell by a Jewish
prisoner**

A pair of round-rimmed glasses with thin frames and clear lenses lies on a bed of dry, tangled twigs and branches. The scene is dimly lit, with a warm, yellowish light source in the background, creating a somber and evocative atmosphere. The glasses are the central focus, their circular shape contrasting with the chaotic, linear patterns of the twigs.

There is Auschwitz, and so
there cannot be God.

Primo Levi, Auschwitz survivor



Is God willing to prevent evil, but not able? Then he is not omnipotent. Is he able, but not willing? Then he is malevolent. Is he both able and willing? Then whence cometh evil? Is he neither able nor willing? Then why call him God?

(Epicurus)

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Why Do Bad Things Happen to Good People

- How would you answer this question
- We need to reshape the question
 - Romans 3:10
 - Romans 3:23
 - Genesis 1-3

There is only
one question
which really matters:
why do
bad things
happen to
good people?

Harold Kushner



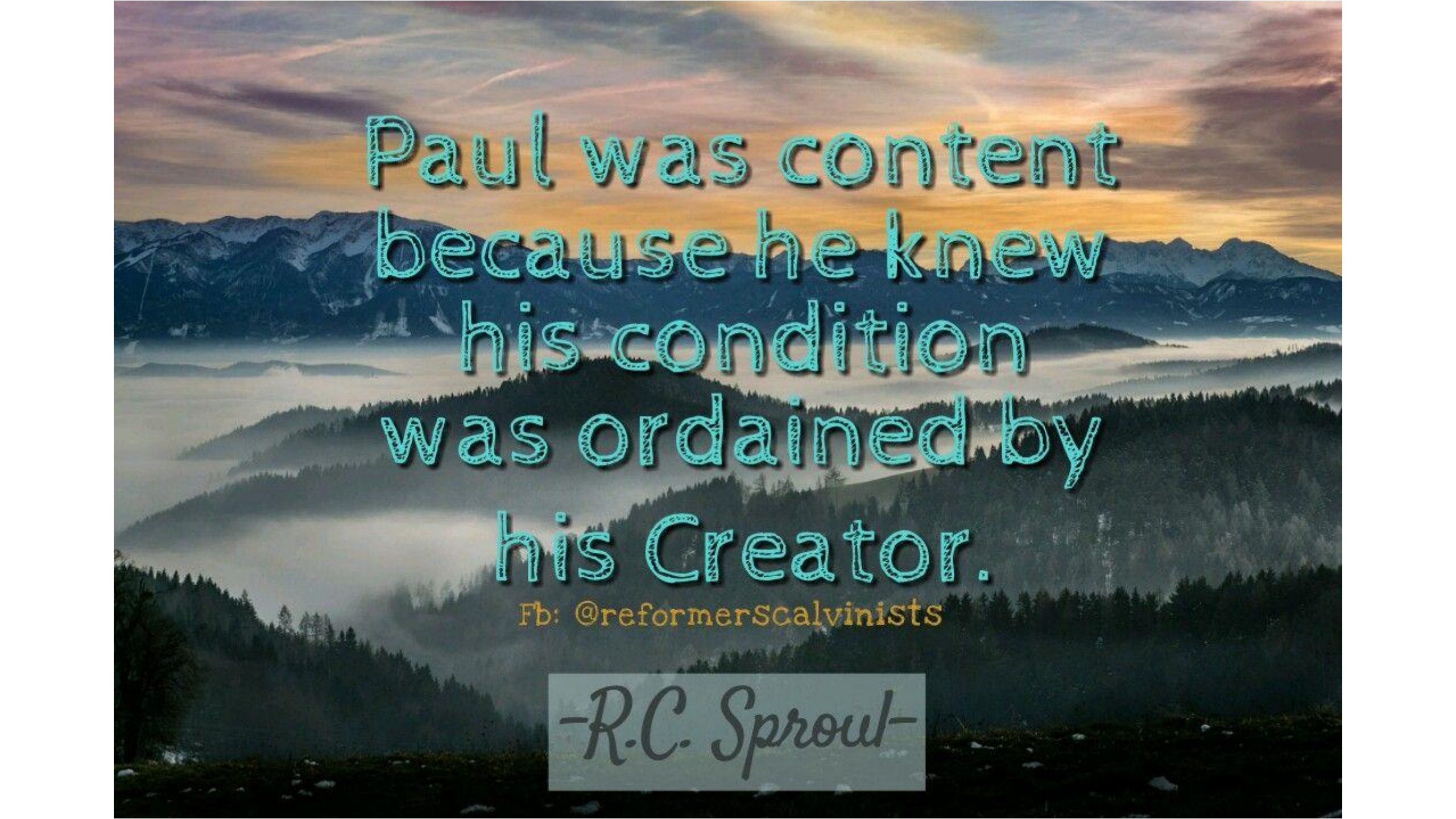
WHY DO BAD
THINGS HAPPEN
TO GOOD PEOPLE?

THAT ONLY
EVER
HAPPENED
ONCE, AND **HE**
VOLUNTEERED

R.C. Sproul, Jr

Job's Faith

- Job is declared righteous by God's grace
- True faith trust the Lord in all circumstances
- The person who faithfully endures is BLESSED



Paul was content
because he knew
his condition
was ordained by
his Creator.

Fb: @reformerScalvinists

-R.C. Sproul-

God's Grace in Suffering

- Circumstances will change; God remains the same
- 2 Peter 2:9

The Problem with The Prosperity *False* Gospel

- Rescue does not mean no suffering
- Suffering is part of living in a broken world
- The Lord uses suffering to transform His people
- Romans 8:18

A large, tan-colored tank is shown in a desert environment, crushing a silver sedan. The tank's turret and main gun are visible on the right side. A person is standing on top of the tank's turret. The car is being pushed under the tank's tracks, with its front end crushed. The text "Book of Job" is overlaid in the center, and "Prosperity Gospel" is overlaid on the car. A watermark "@refquotes" is visible on the tank's side.

Book of Job

**Prosperity
Gospel**

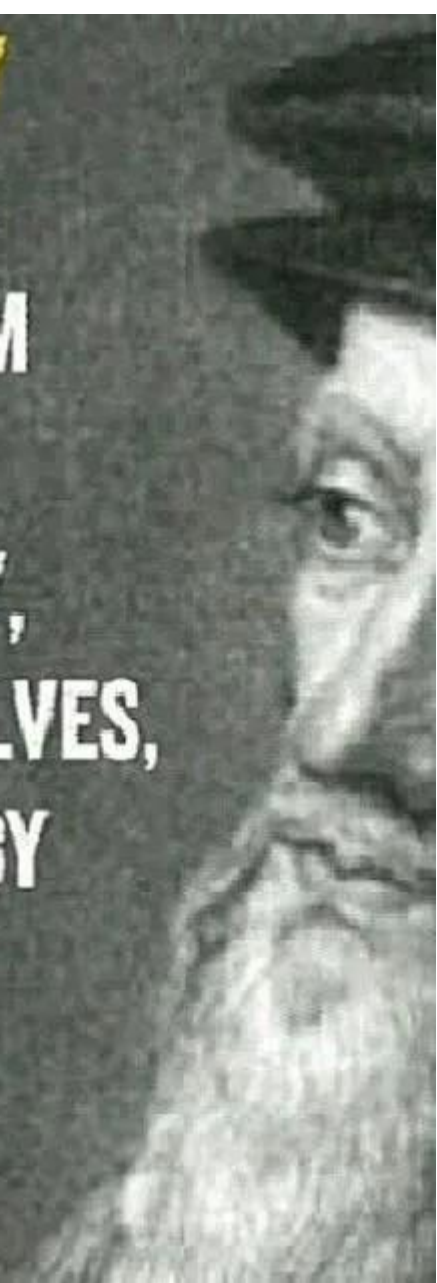
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**NOWHERE IN SCRIPTURE ARE WE
PROMISED WORLDLY EASE IN RETURN
FOR OUR PLEDGE OF FAITH.**

**IN FACT, THE MOST DEVOUT SAINTS
FROM THE BIBLE USUALLY DIED PENNILESS,
RECEIVING A ONE-WAY TICKET TO PRISON
OR DEATH BY TORTURE.**

MEN ARE **UNDOUBTEDLY**
MORE IN DANGER FROM
PROSPERITY THAN FROM
ADVERSITY. FOR WHEN
MATTERS **GO** SMOOTHLY,
THEY FLATTER THEMSELVES,
AND ARE **INTOXICATED** BY
THEIR SUCCESS.

JOHN CALVIN



“HEALTH IS A
GOOD THING;
BUT SICKNESS IS
FAR BETTER,
IF IT LEADS US TO
GOD.”

– J.C. RYLE





TRIALS ARE INTENDED

to make us think, to wean us
from the world, to send us to the
Bible, to drive us to our knees.

J.C. Ryle

Job is a type of Jesus Christ

- Compare Job's suffering to Jesus' suffering

JOB, TYPE OF CHRIST

BOTH HAD EVERYTHING:

1:1-3; Jn.1:1,2,10,14

BOTH LOST EVERYTHING:

1:13-22; Phil.2:5-8; Lk.22:39-44

Is.53:1-3

**BOTH WERE
TEMPTED BY SATAN:**

1:12-20; Mt.4:1-10

Is.53:4-7

**BOTH WERE
FALSELY ACCUSED
OF BEING SINNERS:**

chapters 4-31; Jo.8:33-58



**BOTH SUFFERED
THOUGH DID
NOTHING WRONG:**

1:21-22; IPt.2:21-23; Is.53:9

**BOTH REMAINED
FAITHFUL TO GOD:**

1:21-22; Rev.5:1-10

Heb.5:8-9; Acts 1:1-11;

IPt.3:22; Lk.23:46

**BOTH WERE BLESSED
MORE ABUNDANTLY IN
THE END:**

42:10-17; Is.53:10-12

SO WILL WE BE!

Job is a type of Jesus Christ

- Compare Job and Jesus
- Job is a type pointing to Jesus
- Job is NOT Jesus
- Job is like us

JOB, A TYPE OF ADAM

BOTH HAD EVERYTHING

Ps 115:16, Job 1:3

BOTH WERE FEARFUL

Gen 3:10, Job 3:25

BOTH LOST EVERYTHING

Rom 5:18, Job 1-2

BOTH BLAMED GOD

Gen 3:12, Job 1:21, 6:4, 27:2

**BOTH FELL VICTIM TO THE
DEVIL'S SCHEMES**

Gen 3:1, Job 1:12, 2:7

**BOTH HAD A DISTORTED
VIEW OF GOD**

Gen 3:10, Job 13:24, 30:20-23

BOTH SINNED

Rom 5:12, Job 32:1, 33:12, 42:3

BOTH WERE RECIPIENTS OF GRACE

Gen 3:21, Job 36:16, 42:10-12

**BOTH WERE BOUND
FOR DEATH**

Gen 2:17, Job 7:15-16,
17:13-16

**BOTH WERE REDEEMED BY
GOD AND HAD FRUITFUL
OFFSPRING**

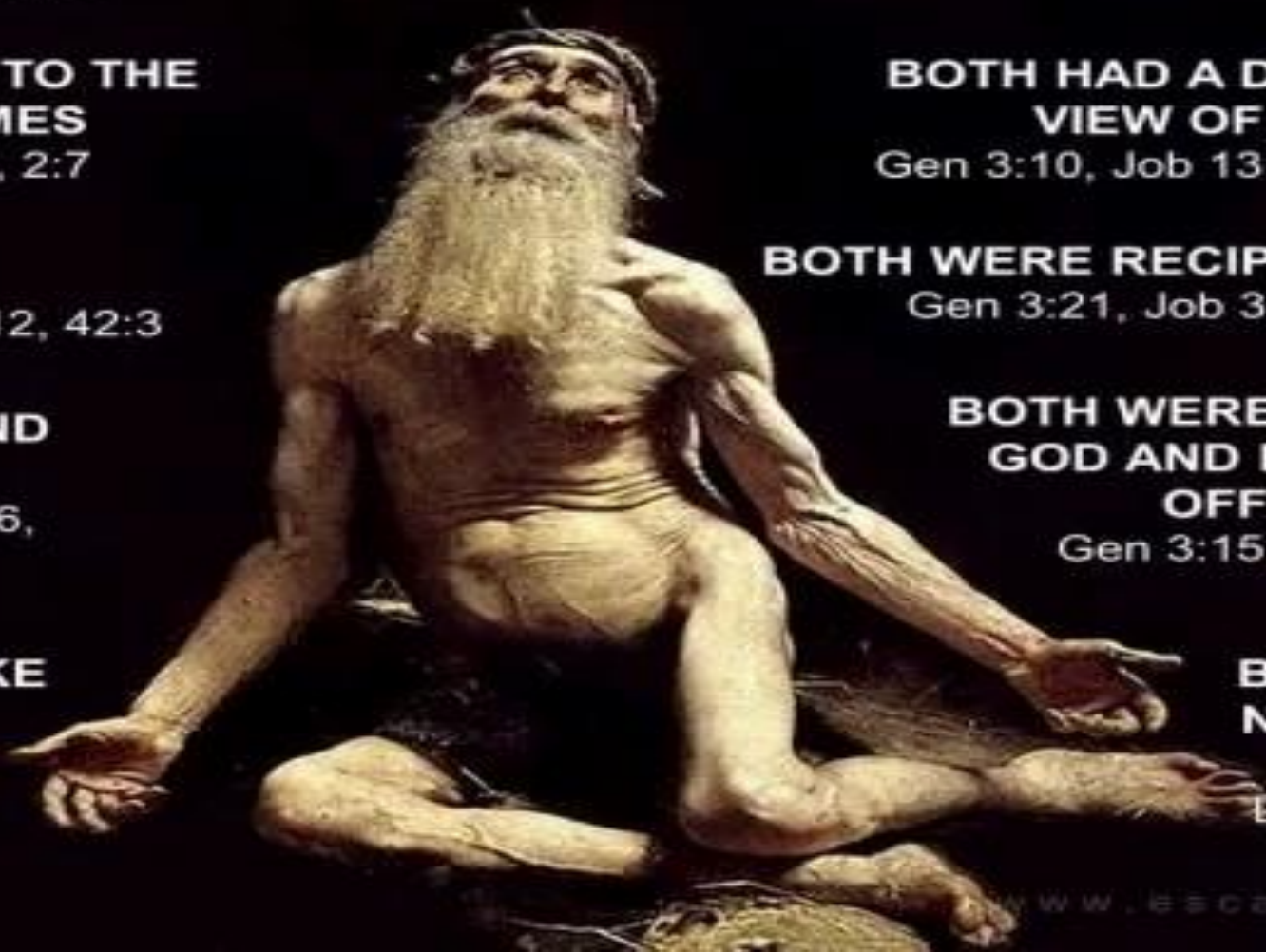
Gen 3:15, Job 42:11-16

**BOTH TRIED TO MAKE
THINGS RIGHT...
AND FAILED**

Gen 3:7, Job 1:5, 32:1

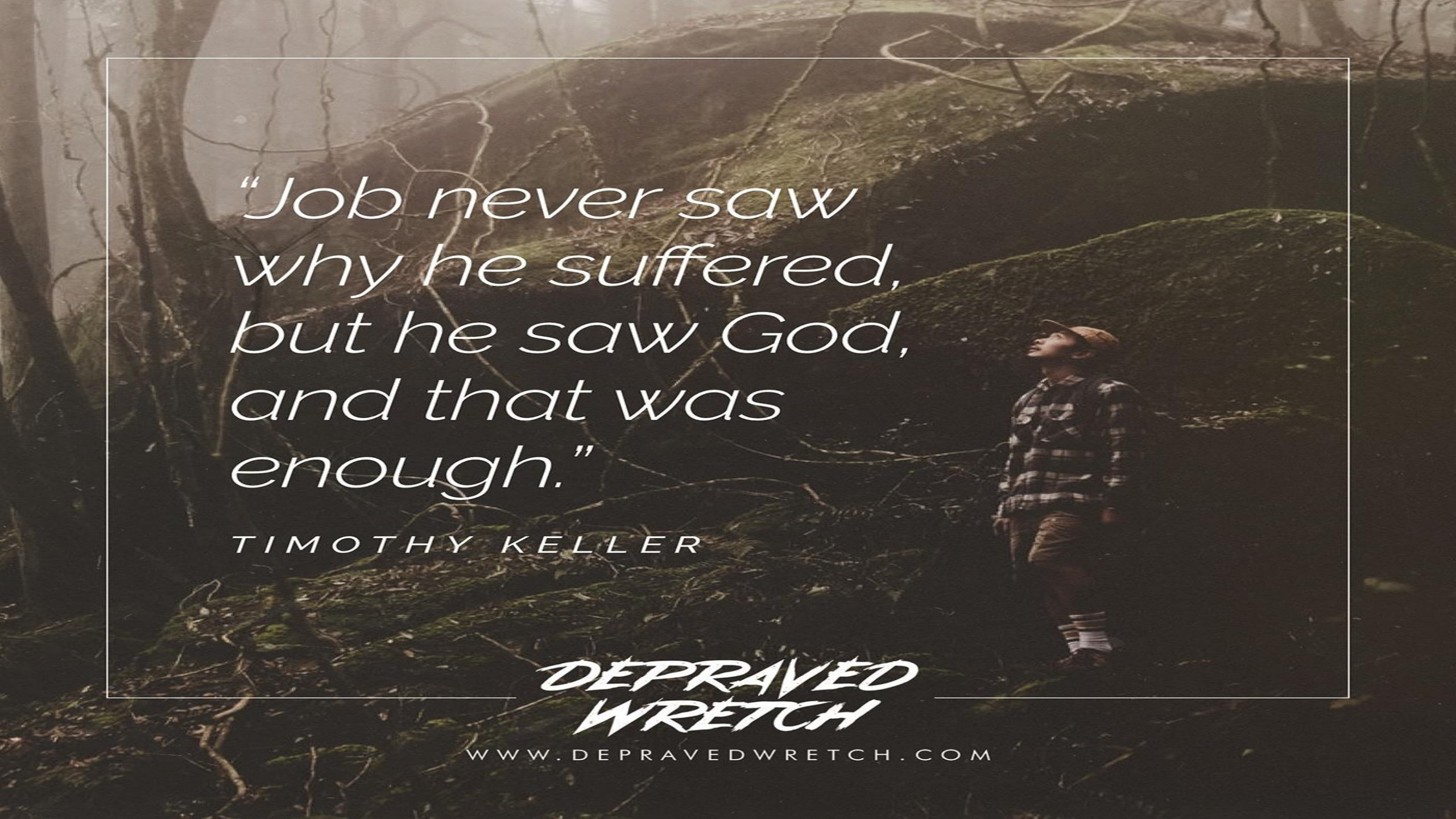
**BOTH RECEIVED
NEW IDENTITIES
FROM GOD**

Euke 3:38, Job 1:8



Applications for Job 1:1-5

- Faith is the difference in enduring suffering.
- Believe in God's faithful character
- Believe that Jesus is the truth
- Believe God has spoke His faithful in His word
- Walk by faith: God's will for His people is good

A young boy wearing a plaid shirt and a hat stands in a dark, mossy forest, looking upwards. The scene is dimly lit, with light filtering through the trees, creating a somber and contemplative atmosphere. The ground is covered in moss and fallen branches.

*“Job never saw
why he suffered,
but he saw God,
and that was
enough.”*

TIMOTHY KELLER

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