

**YET**  
**I WILL SEE GOD**  
A Study in Job

# The Ministry of Silence



Be a friend,  
who reflects  
Jesus Christ to  
those who are  
hurting.



# Job's Friends Come to Visit (Job 2:11-13)

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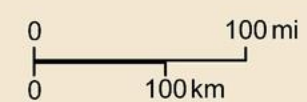
- Job's friends heard about the adversity
- Job's friends came to Job
- The reason they came: To comfort their friend

# Who are Job's Friends?

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- Eliphaz the Temanite
- Bildad the Shuite
- Zophar the Naamathite
- Where these men came from is significant!

# Job and Friends



# The Love of Job's Friends

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- What do you think about Job's friends?
- Job's friends were intentional
- Job's friends were purposeful
- Job's friends joined in Job's mourning
- Romans 12:15

Rejoice with those who rejoice;  
mourn with those who mourn.

**Romans 12:15**





# Job's Loving but Unhelpful Friends

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- They were most helpful when they were silent
- The problem is presumption
- They were convinced Job sinned
- They were convinced Job's suffering is a result of God's judgement

# God's Judgement & God's Discipline

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- Job 5:17-18 and Hebrews 12:6
- Similar sounding but different intentions
- Too quick to judge Job AND condemn him.

# Presuming God's Intentions is Unwise

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- Isaiah 55:8-9
- Biblical examples of presuming God's intentions
- Solution to presuming God's intentions: Prov. 3:5

# Myths and Dangers to Job's Friends Thinking

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- Myth 1: God only responds BASED on what we do
- Myth 2: If you are good God will always bless you
- Danger: This leads to works-based salvation and the HWP Heresy

# Affects of Unhelpful Friends

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- Being a miserable comforter - Job 16:1-5
- Making the pain worse - Job 19:1-6

# Biblical Response to Hurting Friends

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- David and Jonathan
- Paul and his friends in ministry

# Jesus, Friend to the Hurting (John 11)

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- Jesus loves the hurting
- Jesus came
- Jesus offered truth and hope
- Jesus wept

# Friendship with God

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- Can an enemy of God become a friend of God?
- How can you become a friend of God?
- Jesus calls His followers His friends





A friend loves  
at all times and  
a brother is born  
for adversity.

Proverbs 17:17 NAS

# Friendship with God

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- Can an enemy of God become a friend of God?
- How can you become a friend of God?
- Jesus calls his followers his friends
- You cannot be a friend of Jesus and a friend of the world

You adulterous people, don't you know that friendship with the world means enmity against God? Therefore, anyone who chooses to be a friend of the world becomes an enemy of God.

**James 4:4**

# Applications

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- Be a James 1:19 friend
- Do not presume of a friend's heart or God's intentions
- Trust in Jesus, the truest friend to the hurting