

> The Book of JOB Chapters 3 – 7: “WHY?”

- “Round Table Discussions”: Job & His Friends

- 1st Round - Job’s declaration.....Chapter 3
 - *Eliphaz, opinion.....Chapter 4 & 5*
 - Job’s response.....Chapter 6 & 7
 - *Bildad’s opinion.....Chapter 8*
 - Job’s response.....Chapter 9 & 10
 - *Zophar’s opinion.....Chapter 11*
 - Job’s response.....Chapter 12-14

Chapter 3 - Job Declares: “I wish I’d never been born!”

(v1-10) **Mayday! Mayday! Mayday!** (A dozen times!) *Mayday* is an emergency code word used internationally as a distress signal in voice procedure radio communications. It derives from the French *venez m'aider*, meaning 'come help me'.^[1] It is used to signal a life-threatening emergency by many groups, such as police forces, pilots, firefighters, and transportation organizations. The call is always given three times in a row ("Mayday - Mayday -Mayday") to prevent mistaking it for some similar-sounding phrase under noisy conditions, and to distinguish an actual Mayday call from a message about a Mayday call.

(v11-23) **Why, why, why, why, why, why, why?** (Approximately seven times!)

(v24-26) Job’s honesty- *“that which I feared and dreaded has happened to me”*

Chapter 4 & 5 - The Assumptions of Eliphaz

(4:1-6) **Hey Job, you can dish it out, but you can take it!**

(4:7-11) **Hey Job, you brought this on, because you’ve been secretly sinning!**

(4:12-21) **Hey Job, I had a dream about you & it’s a nightmare! (Christians Beware: Galatians 1:6-10; 1Timothy 4:1-5; 2 Corinthians 11:1-4)**

(v5:1-7) **Job accused of wrath, envy & foolishness**

(v5:8-16) **If I were you, I would seek God.**

(v5:17-27) **God must be chastening you.**

Chapter 6 - Job’s Response – “I’m Bummed!”

(v1-13) **Crush me God!**

(v14-30) **“Hey Eliphaz, I need pity & comfort!”**

Chapter 7 - Job Declares A Reality Check

(v1-10) **Let’s get real with what I’m going through!**

(v11-16) **Eliphaz, you scare me!**

(v17-21) **Job turns to God & converses with Him!**