

Accepting the Sovereignty of God Even in the Midst of Your Suffering

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Job 1: 1-12 Job's Character and Wealth

¹ In the land of Uz there lived a man whose name was Job. **This man was blameless and upright; he feared God and shunned evil.** ² He had seven sons and three daughters, ³ and he owned seven thousand sheep, three thousand camels, five hundred yoke of oxen and five hundred donkeys, and had a large number of servants. He was the greatest man among all the people of the East.

⁶ One day the angels came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan also came with them. ⁷ The Lord said to Satan, "Where have you come from?" Satan answered the Lord, "From roaming throughout the earth, going back and forth on it." ⁸ Then the Lord said to Satan, "Have you considered my servant Job? There is no one on earth like him; he is blameless and upright, a man who fears God and shuns evil." ⁹ "Does Job fear God for nothing?" Satan replied. ¹⁰ **"Have you not put a hedge around him** and his household and everything he has? You have blessed the work of his hands, so that his flocks and herds are spread throughout the land. ¹¹ But now stretch out your hand and strike everything he has, and he will surely curse you to your face." ¹² The Lord said to Satan, "Very well, then, everything he has is in your power, but on the man himself do not lay a finger." Then Satan went out from the presence of the Lord.

Job 1:13-20 Satan Allowed to Test Job

¹³ One day when Job's sons and daughters were feasting and drinking wine at the oldest brother's house, ¹⁴ a messenger came to Job and said, "The oxen were plowing and the donkeys were grazing nearby, ¹⁵ and the Sabeans attacked and made off with them. They put the servants to the sword, and I am the only one who has escaped to tell you!" ¹⁶ **While he was still speaking,** another messenger came and said, "The fire of God fell from the heavens and burned up the sheep and the servants, and I am the only one who escaped to tell you?" ¹⁷ **While he was still speaking,** another messenger came and said, "The Chaldeans formed three raiding parties and swept down on your camels and made off with them. They put the servants to the sword, and I am the only one who has escaped to tell you?" ¹⁸ **While he was still speaking,** yet another messenger came and said, "Your sons and daughters were feasting and drinking wine at the

oldest brother's house, ¹⁹ when suddenly a mighty wind swept in from the desert and struck the four corners of the house. It collapsed on them and they are dead, and I am the only one who has escaped to tell you!" ²⁰ At this, Job got up and tore his robe and shaved his head. Then he fell to the ground in worship.

Main Idea: You have to accept the sovereignty of God and know that His sovereignty is at work in the midst of your troubles and suffering.

Four Truths About God's Sovereignty at Work in the Midst of Your Suffering

(I bet you **D—I—N—'T** already know them)

1. **"D"** - Know all of your troubles/sufferings have a divine purpose.
2. **"I"** - All of your troubles/sufferings have already been interrogated/investigated.
3. **"N"** - Know that in all of your troubles/sufferings you are not alone.
4. **"T"** - Know that if you **trust** in God your troubles/sufferings will always turn into good.