

# Aveleigh's Year of the Bible

March 11 2018, The Fourth  
Sunday in Lent

**Sermon: JOB, THE CRITICAL  
CRISIS**



Readings From Job 1 and 2

## READINGS FROM JOB 1& 2



**“There was a man named Job who worshipped God and was faithful to Him. He was a good man, careful not to do anything evil. He had seven sons and three daughters and owned seven thousand sheep, three thousand camels, a thousand cattle and five hundred donkeys. He also had many servants and was the richest man in the east. One day God asked Satan, ‘Have you noticed my servant Job?’**

# READINGS FROM JOB 1 & 2



**There is no one on earth as faithful and good as he is. He worships me.’ Satan replied, ‘Would Job worship you if he got nothing out of it? You’ve always protected him and his family. You’ve blessed everything he does. But you take away everything he has and he will curse you to your face’ ‘All right,’ the Lord said, ‘Everything he has is in your power. But you must not hurt Job himself.’**



# READINGS FROM JOB 1 & 2



**So Satan left to hurt Job. One day a messenger came running to Job. ‘We were plowing the fields with oxen,’ he said, ‘and he donkeys were nearby. Suddenly some Sabean terrorists attacked and stole them all. They killed every one of your servants except me. Another servant came and said, ‘Lightning just struck the sheep and all your shepherds and killed them all**

# READINGS FROM JOB 1& 2



**Then another servant came and said, “Bands of Chaldean raiders came and attacked us and took away all your camels killed all your servants except me. I’m the only one who escaped to tell you. Then another servant came and said, ‘Your children were having a feast in the home of your oldest son when a storm swept in and blew the house down and killed them all.’**

## READINGS FROM JOB 1& 2



**Then Job got up and tore his clothes in grief. He shaved his head and threw himself down to worship. He prayed, ‘Lord I was born with nothing and I will die with nothing. The Lord gave and now the Lord has taken away. May His name be praised.’**



## READINGS FROM JOB 1& 2



**In spite of everything that had happened, Job did not sin by blaming God. Again, God asked Satan, ‘Did you notice My servant Job? He still worships me. You attacked him for no reason at all. But Job is still as faithful as ever.’**

## READINGS FROM JOB 1& 2



**Satan replied, ‘If you hurt his body he’ll curse you to your face.’ The Lord said, ‘All right. He’s in your power. But you cannot kill him.’ And Satan made sores break out all over Job’s body Job went and sat by the garbage dump and took a piece of broken pottery to scrape his sores. Job’s wife said to him, ‘You’re still as faithful as ever, aren’t you?’**



## READINGS FROM JOB 1 & 2



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**HOW CAN WE CONNECT  
WITH GOD IN A CRISIS ?**

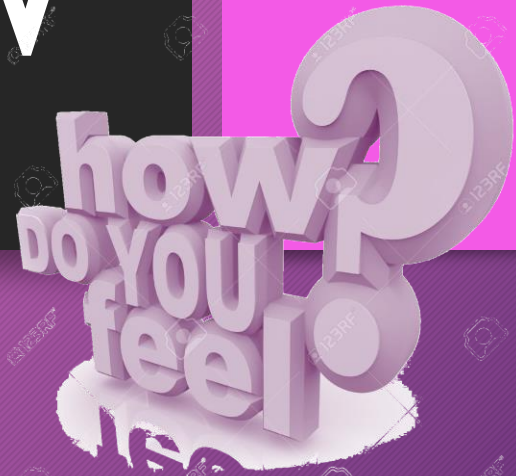




# 1. TELL GOD HOW YOU FEEL

• **“Cry out in the night...Pour out your heart like water in prayer to the Lord.”**

• **Lam. 2:19 (NCV)**



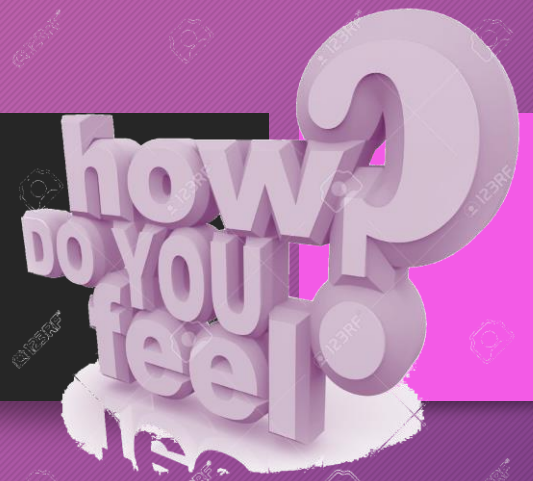
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**“I can't be quiet!  
I'm angry and  
bitter. I have to  
speak!”**

**Job 7:11 (TEV)**

## Job 42:7



- **After the Lord had said these things to Job, he said to Eliphaz the Temanite, “I am angry with you and your two friends, because you have not spoken the truth about me, as my servant Job has.**



## 2. PRAISE GOD IN SPITE OF YOUR CIRCUMSTANCES



**Job said, "I was born with nothing, and I'll die with nothing. The Lord gave, and now He has taken away. May His name be praised! In spite of everything that had happened, Job did not sin by blaming God."**

**Job 1:21-22 (TEV)**

**Will a person  
continue  
to worship God if  
they lose something,  
or everything?**

**LIVES CRITICAL QUESTION.**



## **2. PRAISE GOD IN SPITE OF YOUR CIRCUMSTANCES**



**1. THAT HE IS A GOOD & LOVING GOD**

**Job 10:12**

**“God has given me life,  
constant love, and care**



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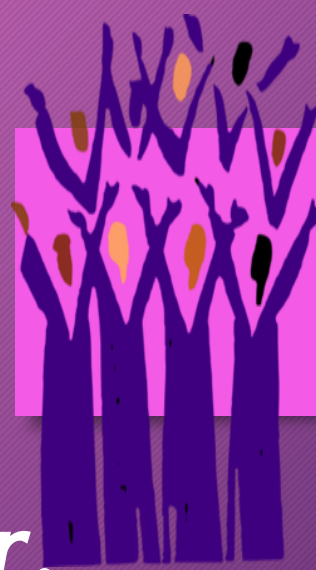
**2, Job, I thank God  
That He is all-  
powerful**

**Job 36:22, 37:5,23**

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## 2. PRAISE GOD IN SPITE OF YOUR CIRCUMSTANCES



- *What you can praise God for.*

**3. He notices  
details of  
everything that is  
happening to me  
Job 23:10, 31:4**

## 2. PRAISE GOD IN SPITE OF YOUR CIRCUMSTANCES



- *What you can praise God for:*
  - *That He is in control*

***Job 34:14-15*** If it were his intention and he withdrew his spirit and breath, all humanity would perish together and mankind would return to the dust

## 2. PRAISE GOD IN SPITE OF YOUR CIRCUMSTANCES



- **What you can praise God for:**

**That He has a plan for my life  
10 But he knows the way that I  
take;  
when he has tested me,  
I will come forth as gold.  
Job 23:10**



## 2. PRAISE GOD IN SPITE OF YOUR CIRCUMSTANCES



- **What you can praise God for:**

- **That He will protect me  
Job 5:11**

**The lowly he sets on high,  
and those who mourn are  
lifted to safety.**



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• **“Even though the fig trees have no fruit and no grapes grow on the vines, even though the olive crop fails and the fields produce no grain, even though the sheep all die and the cattle stalls are empty, I’ll still be joyful and glad, because the Lord God is my Savior “**

• **Hab.3:17-18 (TEV)**

## 2. PRAISE GOD IN SPITE OF YOUR CIRCUMSTANCES

**Job: “Though He slay me, yet will I trust in Him.”**

**Job 13:15 (KJV)**



### **3. ASK GOD STRENGTH AND HELP**

**“Look to the  
Lord and His  
strength.”**

**Ps. 105:4 (NIV)**





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**“God is the  
real source  
of wisdom  
and  
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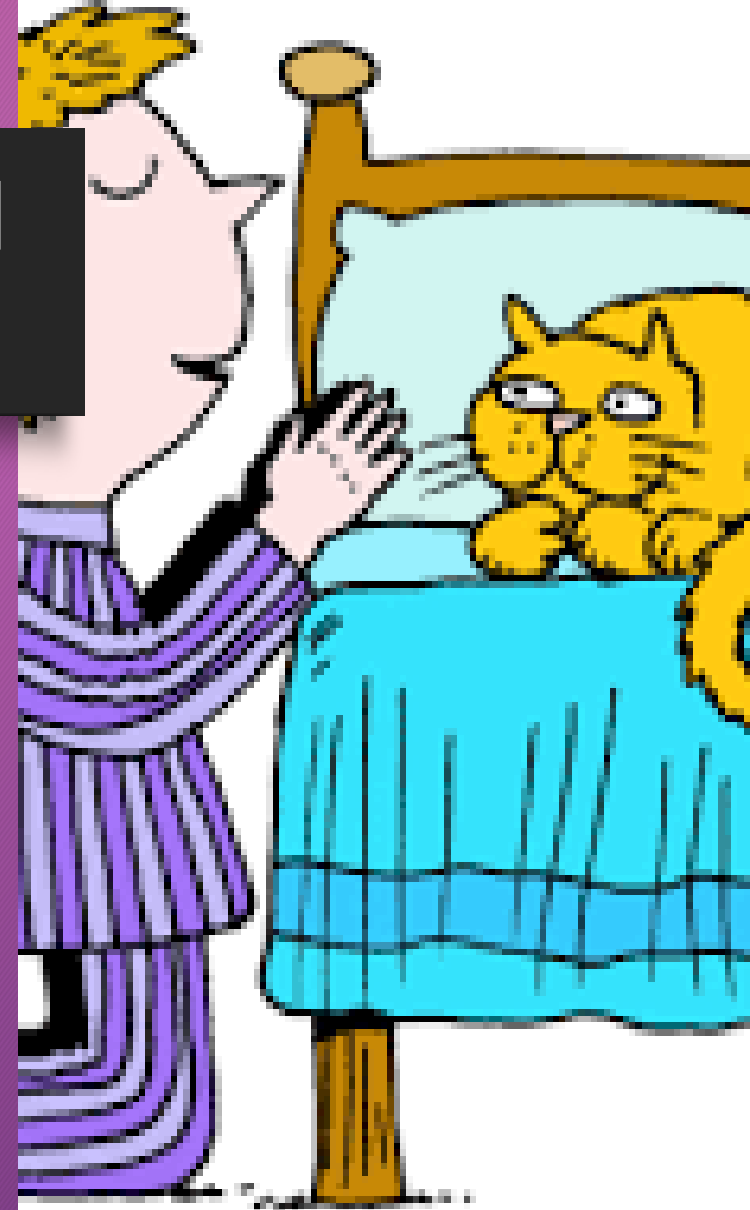
**Job 12:13  
(CEV)**



### 3. ASK GOD STRENGTH AND HELP

**“I can lie down  
and go to  
sleep, and I’ll  
wake up again,  
because the  
Lord gives me  
strength.”**

**Ps. 3:5 (NCV)**



### 3. ASK GOD STRENGTH AND HELP

**“So here I am in  
the place of  
worship, eyes  
open, drinking in  
Your strength and  
glory.”**

**Ps. 63:2 (Msg)**





## 4. KEEP FOCUSED ON GOD AND HIS PROMISES



FOCUS

**“Therefore we do not lose heart...For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen. For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.”**      **2 Cor. 4:16-18 (NIV)**



## 4. KEEP FOCUSED ON GOD AND HIS PROMISES

**Jesus: “(By) trusting Me, you will be unshakable and assured, deeply at peace. In this godless world you will continue to experience difficulties. But take heart! I've conquered the world.”**

**John 16:33 (Msg)**



**KEEP OUR EYES  
FOCUSED ON  
JESUS**  
THE AUTHOR AND PERFECTER OF OUR FAITH

Prayer.....

**Mighty God  
who loves both  
the strong and  
the frighten,  
deliver us in  
our hour of  
crisis. Amen.**

