

THREE DAYS IN THE LIFE OF JOB #1

HOW MUCH BETTER CAN IT GET?

JBO 1:8 And the LORD said unto Satan, Hast thou considered my servant Job, that [there is] none like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright man, one that feareth God, and escheweth evil?

This is God's assessment of Job's life that he repeats from JBO 1:1 There was a man in the land of Uz, whose name [was] Job; and that man was perfect and upright, and one that feared God, and eschewed evil.

I. He had it so good he had God's attention.

A. The characteristics of his conduct- "a perfect and upright man."
"gentle and righteous"

B. The characteristics of his attractions- "one that feareth God"
Tell us what a man loves, and we can tell you exactly what the man is.

JBO 1:5 And it was so, when the days of [their] feasting were gone about, that Job sent and sanctified them, and rose up early in the morning, and offered burnt offerings [according] to the number of them all: for Job said, It may be that my sons have sinned, and cursed God in their hearts. Thus did Job continually.

C. The characteristics of his repulsions. "He eschewed evil"
He shunned evil!

II. He had it so good he had man's attention.

Job 1 3" and a very great household; so that this man was the greatest of all the men of the east."

A. Business wise

1. Had his own trucking company- 3,000 camels (trucks of their day)
2. Had his own tractors- 5,000 yoke of oxen (they plowed with them)
3. Had his own transportation (cars)- 500 she donkeys.
4. He had his own food supply- 7,000 sheep.

B. Family wise

1. He had 7 boys and 3 girls.
2. His kids loved being together v-4 went from house to house daily.
3. They had a godly family- the father acted as a priest on their behalf by offering sacrifices to God.

III. He had it so good Satan could not touch him!

JBO 1:10 Hast not thou made an hedge about him, and about his house, and about all that he hath on every side? thou hast blessed the work of his hands, and his substance is increased in the land.

- A. Protection for himself
- B. His family
- C. his belongings

IV. He had it so good God would use him to prove his love for him was genuine.

How much better can it get than to have God point you out to Satan for scrutiny?

It is God who challenges the devil with the life of Job.

JOB 1:8 And the LORD said unto Satan, Hast thou considered my servant Job, that [there is] none like him in the earth,

The devil is the “accuser of the brethren”. He would attack any object of God’s love and anyone on whom God places his trust.

JBO 1:9 Then Satan answered the LORD, and said, Doth Job fear God for nought?

JBO 1:11 But put forth thine hand now, and touch all that he hath, and he will curse thee to thy face.

When Satan leaves the presence of God the hedge is taken down and Job loses everything of value to him.

V. Job had it so good that he could not deny the Lord!

JBO 1:20 Then Job arose, and rent his mantle, and shaved his head, and fell down upon the ground, and worshipped,

JBO 1:21 And said, Naked came I out of my mother's womb, and naked shall I return thither: the LORD gave, and the LORD hath taken away; blessed be the name of the LORD.

JBO 1:22 In all this Job sinned not, nor charged God foolishly.