

# Faithful Men's Spiritual Retreat 2008

*Bandon Faith Mission Camp*  
27<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> March, 2008

## Studying the Life Principles of Job



**“The LORD gave, and  
the LORD hath taken  
away; blessed be the  
name of the LORD.”**

***Job 1:21***

## Holding Fast in Times of Trial

*This handbook Belongs to:* \_\_\_\_\_



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*Christian...*

*“Dost thou still retain thine integrity?”*

**Job 2:9**

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"FIRST A BAD-BEARD DAY AND NOW THIS",  
THOUGHT JOB ... "COULD THIS DAY GET ANY  
WORSE?"

Men's Spiritual Retreat 2008

**Men's Retreat 2008 Schedule of Events**

Time	Duration	Main Function	Support Function
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**THURSDAY 27 MARCH**

4:00pm		Arrive at Camp - Unpack and Start Dinner	
5:30pm	1 hour	Dinner ( <i>Spaghetti, Garlic Bread</i> )	
6:30pm	30 min	Break, <b>Sports Time</b>	<i>Clean-up</i>
7:00pm	1:30hrs	<b>1st Session – <u>Job's God</u> – Craig Ledbetter</b>	
8:30pm	1 hour	Snack ( <i>Tea, Coffee, Sandwiches</i> )	
9:30pm	1:30hrs	<b>2nd Session – <u>Job's Flesh</u> – Craig Ledbetter</b>	
11:00pm	1 hour	<b>Fellowship Time</b>	
12:00am	7:30hrs	Sleep	

**FRIDAY 28 MARCH**

7:30am	1 hour	Wake-Up, Read Bible & Take Shower	<i>Prepare Breakfast</i>
8:30am	45min	Breakfast ( <i>Eggs, Sausage, and Cereal</i> )	
9:15am	15min	Break	<i>Clean-up</i>
9:30am	1 hour	<b>3rd Session – <u>Job's Patience/Faith</u> – Buddy Blunkall</b>	
10.30am	1 hour	Break	
11:30am	1 hour	<b>4th Session – <u>Job's Anchors</u> – Jerome Pittman</b>	
12:30pm	30 min	<i>Prepare Bag Lunches</i>	
1:00pm	3:30hrs	<b>Hiking and Hill Walking</b> (Beach)	<i>Prepare Dinner</i>
4:30pm	30min	Break	
5.00pm	1 hour	Dinner ( <i>Roast Chicken</i> )	
6:00pm	45min	Worksheet - <b><u>Why Am I In Trouble?</u></b> – Craig Ledbetter	
6:45pm	30min	Dessert, Tea and Coffee	
7:15pm	1 hour	<b>5th Session – <u>Job's Correction</u> – Les Hill</b>	
8:15pm	1 hour	<b>Sports Time</b> (Outdoor)	
9:15pm	1 hour	<b>Pop-Corn Preaching</b> ( <i>men preaching for 5 mins each</i> )	
10:15pm	1:30hrs	<b>Bonfire and Evening Quiet Time</b>	
11:45pm	7:15hrs	Sleep	

**SATURDAY 29 MARCH**

7:30am	45min	Wake-up, Read Bible & Take Showers	<i>Prepare Breakfast</i>
8:15am	45min	Breakfast ( <i>Eggs, Porridge and Cereal</i> )	
9:00am	1:30 hrs	<b>Final Session – <u>Job's Friends</u> – Buddy Blunkall</b>	
10:30am	15 min	Break	
10:45am	30min	<b>Testimony Time and Final Pop-Corn Preaching</b>	
11:15am	1 hour	Pack-up and clean-up	
12:15pm	30min	Lunch ( <i>Sandwiches</i> )	
12:45pm		Final Clean-up, Leave for Home	

**Three Great Truths of the Christian Life:**

1. You cannot do good and get away with it.
2. Everything depends upon God blessing it.
3. God knows what He is doing - nobody else does.



**Special Songs**

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**Faithful Men**

I am looking to Jesus, giving all in the race,  
pressing upward to gain the heavenly prize!  
Faithful men are my witness,  
who have struggled for Christ,  
and they watch from the grandstands in the sky!

*Chorus*

**Faithful men... have gone before us!**  
**Faithful men... who fight and stand!**  
**I want to fol-low in their footsteps!**  
**Make me Lord... a faithful man!**

Jacob joined with the faithful; Joseph followed behind;  
Moses ran with the mighty men of old!  
There was David and Daniel; Then came Peter and Paul.  
Now they shout as they run on streets of gold!  
*(To Chorus)*

*End of the last Chorus*

Make me Lord... a faithful man.  
Make me Lord, a *faith-ful* man!

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**A Few Good Men**

What this dying world could use, Is a willing man of God  
Who dares to go against the grain, And work without applause  
A man who'll raise the shield of faith, Protecting what is pure  
Whose love is tough and gentle, A man whose word is sure  
God doesn't need an orator, Who knows just what to say  
He doesn't need authorities, To reason Him away  
He doesn't need an army, To guarantee a win  
He just needs a few good men!

*Chorus*

**Men full of love compassion, Who'll laugh and love and cry**  
**Men who'll face eternity and aren't afraid to die**  
**Men who'll fight for freedom and honor once again**  
**He just needs a few good men**

He calls the broken derelict whose life has been renewed  
He calls the ones who know his Son to stand up for the truth  
Enlistment lines are open and he wants you come in  
He just needs a few good men

*To Chorus*

**This Year's Theme Song**

***Blessed Be the Name***

**As the sun rose that morning on the day of Job's trial  
He rose up to serve God, as any other day  
Bound and determined to live in God's favour  
Nothing would stand in his way**

**Then the messengers came one by one with their stories  
In just a few moments, Job lost all he had  
Great wealth and riches, the health of his body  
Even his children were dead**

*Chorus*

*The Lord giveth, He taketh away*

*Blessed be the name of the Lord*

*I served Him before and I'll serve Him today*

*Blessed be the name of the Lord*

**Then his wife came before him to voice her opinion  
She said you should end it, just curse God and die  
Job rose from the ashes and looked t'ward the heavens  
He brushed back the tears from his eyes, he said ...**

*To Chorus*

**When troubles come suddenly (*blessed be the name*)  
When storm winds blow violently (*blessed be the name*)  
When Satan comes oppressing me (*blessed be the name*)  
I'll still serve God faithfully (*blessed be the name*)**

*To Chorus*

*I served Him before and I'll serve Him today*

*Blessed be the name ...*

*Blessed be the name ...*

*Blessed be the name of the Lord!*

**When he hath tried me, I shall come  
forth as gold. Job 23:10**



**Scriptures to Memorize**

**Holding Fast in Times of Trial**

*Meditate on these throughout the Retreat for best effect on your mind and heart!*

<p>Job 1:21  <b>The LORD gave, and the LORD hath taken away;                  blessed be the name of the LORD.</b></p>	
<p>Proverbs 17:3  <b>The fining pot is for silver, and the furnace for gold: but <u>the LORD trieth the hearts.</u></b></p>	<p>Job 19:25  <b>For I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth.</b></p>
<p>Act 27:29  <b>Then fearing lest we should have fallen upon rocks, they cast four <u>anchors</u> out of the stern, and wished for the day.</b></p>	<p>Psalm 138:8  <b>The LORD will <u>perfect</u> that which concerneth me.</b></p>
	<p>Proverbs 17:17  <b>A friend loveth <u>at all times</u>, and a brother is born for adversity.</b></p>
<p>Job 23:10  <b>But he knoweth the way that I take: when he hath tried me, I shall come forth as gold.</b></p>	<p>Romans 5:3  <b>We glory in tribulations also: knowing that <u>tribulation worketh patience.</u></b></p>
<p>Psalm 34:1                  I will bless the LORD at all times: his praise shall continually be in my</p>	<p>2Timothy 2:3                  Thou therefore <u>endure hardness</u>, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ.</p>
<p>1Peter 5:8                  Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may <u>devour</u>.</p>	<p>Job 5:17                  Behold, happy is the man whom God correcteth: therefore <u>despise not</u> thou the chastening of the Almighty.</p>
<p>Isa 55:8,9                  For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.</p>	<p>James 1:12                  Blessed is the man that <u>endureth temptation</u>: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him.</p>
<p>James 5:11                  Behold, we count them happy which endure. Ye have heard of the patience of Job, and have seen the end of the Lord; that <u>the Lord is very pitiful, and of tender mercy.</u></p>	<p>Job 42:10                  And the LORD turned the captivity of Job, when he prayed for his friends: also the LORD gave Job twice as much as he had before.</p>

## Summary of Job

### All Hell Breaks Loose

There is a time in every life, when all hell breaks loose. Suddenly. Unexpectedly. Completely. One day, life is sunny, calm, clear, predictable. Your job is secure. Your children behave. Your health is good. Then out of the blue, like lightning, tragedy strikes. You're hit hard. All hell has broken loose. And it happens to "good" people all the time!

So, why do bad things happen to good people? Why does tragedy seem to strike those who love God the most? Why do the good die young? Job asked all these questions. He suffered so deeply that his wife couldn't stand it anymore. She said to her husband, "Curse God and die". In other words, "It's no use. There is no future." Yet rather than choosing suicide, Job clung tenaciously to life. Unfortunately, human tragedies like the loss of career, family, or home often leads to an even greater tragedy - the denial of any meaning to life. This was the great temptation that faced Job, and faces each of us every couple of years.

Job went through horrendous suffering for 42 chapters, and yet he never once gave up. He was tormented by insults from his friends, harassed by insensitive advice and browbeaten into admitting wrongdoing he never committed. Under attack, Job groaned, wailed, doubted and fell into deep depression. He lashed out like an infuriated animal... but he never cursed God. No matter how discouraged he was, *he clung to his integrity*. Thousands of years later, we modern, sophisticated people are still often judging people when they become sick. We too easily are just like Job's three "comforters" who just made their friend feel worse. "Oh, you're sick in hospital with cancer... Obviously you are not thinking enough positive mental thoughts, or jogging enough, or eating enough fibre." One way or another, we can slip into the sin of blaming others for their illnesses and troubles.

Job was covered from head to toe with oozing boils that never stopped itching. His feverish body hung limp on the ash heap, his eyes sank back into his head, and his ribs protruded from his skin. Job didn't need a lecture from his three friends; he needed love. He didn't need a sermon; he needed sympathy. He didn't need criticism; he needed comfort. When we are struck down by tragedy, we need to know that our friends really care. And we need to know that God cares, that He really listens, and that He will never leave us.

Why is it that so many writers, poets, philosophers, and scientists have turned to the book of Job? Perhaps because it easily takes its place among the masterpieces of the world's literature. The author of Job powerfully expresses our deepest feelings and thoughts. Sooner or later, we all identify with Job because suffering is life. We are connected to Job through our common experience of pain. Many people reject God, but no one rejects Job. Simply by suffering so greatly and hanging on for dear life through it all, Job has won our hearts.

Sometimes in life, heaven is silent. In such times, the only answer God gives is a deeper revelation of Himself. We learn that He is the answer we seek. Ultimately we must not trust a plan, but a Person. There is something about our questioning minds that longs for answers. We think that "If we only understood why, then we could handle our pain." Yet placing God's infinite wisdom into our finite brains would be like trying to pour the Atlantic Ocean into a tea cup. It just wouldn't fit. It's far too vast and deep.

Through the trial, Job's faith wavered. He mourned. He cried. He protested. He questioned. He even cursed the day of his birth. But he never cursed God. In the face of adversity, he remained firm in his only hope - God. When our world falls apart unexpectedly, we must not dwell on WHY but only on WHO. Only God's revelation of Himself is powerful enough to heal the heart and relieve the pain. Though he slay me, said Job, yet will I trust in Him. (*An adaption of some thoughts by Ed Hird*)

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### Background on the Book of Job

**Author:** The Book was written by a man named **Elihu** (Job 32:16).

**Date of Writing:** The date of the writing of the Book of Job would be around 1800 B.C. It is the oldest book in the Bible written just after the time of Abraham.

**The Place it all happens:** In an area of Edom called Uz, near to a city called Petra.

**Purpose of Writing:** The name Job means "*Persecuted*". Job helps us to understand the following:

- That Satan cannot bring trouble upon us unless it is by God's permission.
- That God has power over what Satan can and cannot do
- That it will always be beyond our ability to understand the "why's" behind all the suffering in the world.
- That the wicked will receive their just dues one day.
- That we cannot always blame our suffering and sin on our lifestyles. Suffering may sometimes be allowed in our lives to purify, test, teach or strengthen us.
- That no matter what we may go through, God remains God, and deserves and demands all our love and praise in all the circumstances of life.

The **PURPOSE** of Job then is to **RIGHTLY** understand life's testings so that we will faithfully serve and trust God especially during difficult times.

**Key People in the Book,** There are 10 people in the book of Job:

1. Job – means “persecuted” – he lived to be about 200 years old!
2. Job’s children (7 boys and 3 girls)
3. Job’s wife
4. Satan – our enemy, adversary
5. Angels (the Sons of God)
6. God Almighty – He will actually speak as face to face with Job
7. Eliphaz the Temanite – his name means, “God is my strength”
8. Bildad the Shuhite – his name means, “Son of contention” – i.e., an arguer!
9. Zophar the Naamathite – his name means “Doubtful” – the harshest critic!
10. Elihu – his name means, “He is my God” – he rebukes Job correctly

**Practical Application:** Don't get angry at God, no matter what happens in your life. Use problems to strengthen your character and bring glory to God. Refuse to be proud when people attack you. Do you ever feel like God has left you to face your problems alone? Trust God to work in your life day by day, and trial by trial. Let God be your source of security, not anyone else!





## Outline of the Book of Job

### *42 Chapters, Seven Battles, One Man, and God's Perfecting of Him*

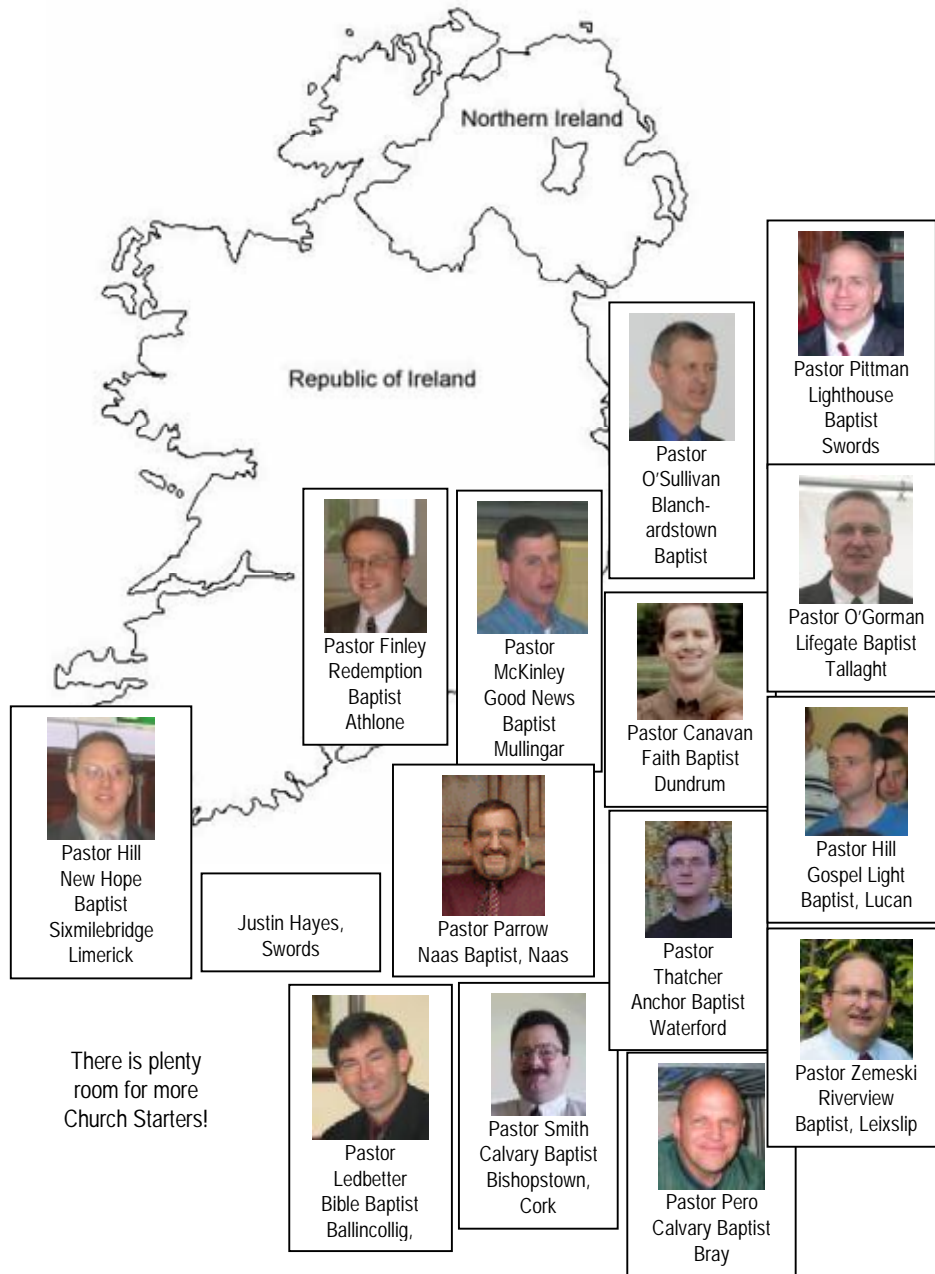
- I. **First Battle - Job and his Loss** (Job 1:1-2:8)
  - A. His Character, and home-life, and wealth (1:1-3)
  - B. His Burden (1:4,5) – His Spiritual Concerns for his family
  - C. His First Trial (1:6-19) – the loss of everything external
  - D. His Worship (1:20-22)
- II. **Second battle – Job and His Health** (Job 2:1-8)
  - A. Satan turns up the heat and brings Job to the edge of death
  - B. Job is absolutely and totally defeated except for his faith
- III. **Third Battle - Job and his wife** (Job 2:9-10)
  - A. Job's wife gives up on God and presses Job to do the same
  - B. But Job lets God rule as he sees fit
  - C. But it is about to get worse - his "friends" arrive (Job 2:11-13)
- IV. **Fourth battle - Job and Himself** (Job 3:1-26) - Job gets mad at God
  - A. Angry that he was born (3:1-10)
  - B. Wishes he was dead (3:11-19) He is very low – can't look up
  - C. Frustrated that none of his answers work now (3:20-26)
- V. **Fifth Battle - Job and his three friends** (Job 2:11-31:40)
  - A. Eliphaz accuses Job of secret sins (Job 4:1-5:27)
  - B. Job appeals for pity from Eliphaz (Job 6:1-7:21)
  - C. Bildad thinks Job is a hypocrite (Job 8:1-22)
  - D. Job answers, I don't understand why God is doing this (Job 9:1-10:22)
  - E. Zophar's thinks Job is both a hypocrite and liar now (Job 11:1-20)
  - F. Job answers all three: death would be better than this (Job 12:1-14:22)
  - G. Eliphaz uses his "superior experience" to judge Job (Job 15:1-35)
  - H. Job answers that Eliphaz has only heaped up words (Job 16:1-17:16)
  - I. Bildad's attacks Job saying God only judges wicked men (Job 18:1-21)
  - J. Job declares his frail faith in God (Job 19:1-29)
  - K. Zophar implies that Job is only getting what he deserves (Job 20:1-29)
  - L. Job shows that the prosperity of the wicked refutes the view that he is afflicted because of being "a secret sinner" (Job 21:1-34)
  - M. Eliphaz blatantly attacks Job calling him a sinner (Job 22:1-30)
  - N. Job gives up on seeking help from his "friends" and instead longs for God to speak and defend Himself (Job 23:1-24:25)
  - O. Bildad's says absolutely no one is righteous before God (Job 25:1-6)
  - P. Job's final answer: the friends have offered him NO HOPE AT ALL. Reviews his faith in God, and his personal righteousness (Job 26:1-31:40)
- VI. **Sixth Battle - Job and Elihu** (Job 32:1-37:24)
  - A. Elihu's defeats Job's self-righteousness (Job 32:2-37:24)
  - B. Job can't answer Elihu
- VII. **Seventh Battle - Jehovah and Job** (Job 38:1-41:34) – Now God speaks!
- VIII. **Sweet Surrender - Job's self-judgment** (Job 42:1-6) – Final surrender!
- IX. **Job's Honour** (Job 42:7-17) – Job is rewarded, and God is vindicated!



## Men's Spiritual Retreat 2008

### If You Believe the Bible... Then, You Are Not Alone!

These are many of the Bible believing Pastors and Churches here in Ireland  
Thank God for these truly Faithful Men – God's Men!



The image features a map of Ireland with the Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland labeled. Overlaid on the map are 14 portrait boxes, each containing a photo of a pastor and their church name. The churches are distributed across the island, with a concentration in the eastern and southern regions. A text box in the bottom left corner states: "There is plenty room for more Church Starters!"

Pastor Name	Church Name	Location
Pastor Hill	New Hope Baptist	Sixmilebridge Limerick
Justin Hayes		Swords
Pastor Finley	Redemption Baptist	Athlone
Pastor McKinley	Good News Baptist	Mullingar
Pastor Parrow	Naas Baptist	Naas
Pastor Thatcher	Anchor Baptist	Waterford
Pastor Ledbetter	Bible Baptist	Ballincollig
Pastor Smith	Calvary Baptist	Bishopstown, Cork
Pastor O'Sullivan	Blanchardstown Baptist	Blanchardstown
Pastor Canavan	Faith Baptist	Dundrum
Pastor O'Gorman	Lifegate Baptist	Tallaght
Pastor Hill	Gospel Light Baptist	Lucan
Pastor Pittman	Lighthouse Baptist	Swords
Pastor Zemeski	Riverview Baptist	Leixlip
Pastor Pero	Calvary Baptist	Bray

**Session One – Introducing Job**

*Pastor Craig Ledbetter – Bible Baptist Church, Ballincollig*

“Then Job arose, and rent his mantle, and shaved his head, and fell down upon the ground, and worshipped, 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.”

Job 1:20,21

Welcome to our 13<sup>h</sup> Annual Men's Retreat!

**I. Introducing Job**

**II. Message - To Know the God of Job**

- A. **This is the deepest \_\_\_\_\_ of the believer!** (Phlp 3:10)
- B. **It is \_\_\_\_\_ easy to know the God of Job!**
- C. **You \_\_\_\_\_ to get to know the God of Job** (2Thes 1:8; John 17:3)!
- D. **You Learn about the God of this universe in the following ways...**
  1. \_\_\_\_\_ – He is the great Teacher
  2. Through Hard \_\_\_\_\_
  3. You learn about God by \_\_\_\_\_ (Ps 63:1)
  4. Through \_\_\_\_\_ - Debating (Job 13:6; 32:11; Pr 27:17)
  5. Through the \_\_\_\_\_ (Job 13:24; Ps 10:1)
- E. **Things we need to learn about God from Job** - The entire book of Job is for our learning! (Rom 15:4)
  1. That \_\_\_\_\_ is God
  2. He is worthy of worship in Good times and Bad
  3. He is the One in \_\_\_\_\_ (Job 1:6-12; 2:1-8)
  4. He is honoured by \_\_\_\_\_ worship (1:20,21)
  5. He knows what He is doing (1:21; 2:10) even though no one else does
  6. God is \_\_\_\_\_ (James 5:11) – He did NOT afflict Job (Job 37:23)
  7. God is \_\_\_\_\_ (Job 13:15; 1Cor 10:13)!!!
  8. “Perfect” men are \_\_\_\_\_ (Job 40:4)
  9. God is unfathomable (Job 11:7; Rom 11:33) – yet worth knowing more and more (Phlp 3:10)
  10. God is all \_\_\_\_\_ - His rightness (Job 38-41)
  11. We learn just how best to worship God... \_\_\_\_\_ the trials

**Session Two – To Know the Flesh of Job**

*Pastor Craig Ledbetter – Bible Baptist Church, Ballincollig*

“The fining pot is for silver, and the furnace for gold:  
but the LORD trieth the hearts.” Proverbs 17:3

**I. Introduction**

- A. What is most valuable? (according to Prov 17:3)
- B. The heart of a man, even though valuable is very \_\_\_\_\_ not very strong
- C. You better listen because to know yourself, and your frailty, will help you know you need to constantly rely and lean on the Lord Jesus Christ for absolutely everything (John 15:5)

**II. Message - To Know the Flesh of Job**

- A. **Job was a \_\_\_\_\_ man** – one of the greatest of all time
  - 1. Great in \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2. Great in \_\_\_\_\_
  - 3. Great in \_\_\_\_\_
- B. **Job was only \_\_\_\_\_** – Frail, and Fragile, vulnerable to attack
- C. **So begins Job’s Trial** – His Battles
  - 1. There are \_\_\_\_\_ fights that take place over the next 42 chapters
  - 2. What’s going on? Why is there such a big fight going on?
  - 3. Hey, Does anyone really care about God?
  - 4. So begins the worst of disasters imaginable
- D. **Disasters reveal some things about us.**
  - 1. \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2. \_\_\_\_\_
  - 3. \_\_\_\_\_
- E. **Job needed some refining** (Job 23:10)
  - 1. Job has lost everything he has treasured - He has only 2 things left
    - a. \_\_\_\_\_
    - b. \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2. Job is going to have to go through 41 chapters before he finally lets go on the first thing, and finally ONLY clings to the second
  - 3. Job battled MOST with his own pride and self-righteousness
- F. **We often \_\_\_\_\_ how far God is allowed to go in our lives as He seeks to work on us**
- G. **What are the \_\_\_\_\_ in our lives that need casting down?**  
(2Co 10:3-5)

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**Session Three – The Patience of Job**

By Buddy Blunkall

**“For I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth.” Job 19:25**

Sermon Notes

***"The test of your character is what it takes to stop you."* Bob Jones Sr.**

**Session Four – The Anchors of Job**

Pastor Jerome Pittman, Lighthouse Baptist Church, Swords, Dublin

“Then fearing lest we should have fallen upon rocks, they cast four anchors out of the stern, and wished for the day.” Acts 27:29

**Sermon Notes**

**I. Introduction**

- A. Every sailor knows the value of \_\_\_\_\_, and the more the better!
- B. Every sailor knows you must \_\_\_\_\_ the anchor for it to benefit the ship
- C. Storms come into our lives, so an anchor that can hold us, and the we hold onto is \_\_\_\_\_. What anchors did Job have in HIS heart and mind?

**II. Main Message**

- A. That God's Grace is always \_\_\_\_\_ (2Cor 12:9,10) !
- B. That all things work together for \_\_\_\_\_ (Rom 8:28)!
- C. That absolutely everything has a perfect purpose (Eph 3:11; Mt 11:26; Eccl 3:11; Mk 7:37)
- D. That your redeemer lives (Job 19:25) – is He YOUR redeemer?
- E. That God is making something good out of \_\_\_\_\_
- F. Philp 4:4 Rejoice in the Lord always: and again I say, \_\_\_\_\_  
Job \_\_\_\_\_
- G. 1Th 5:18 In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.  
Job \_\_\_\_\_
- H. Eph 4:31 Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice:
- I. Eph 4:29 Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers.
- J. Heb 13:15 By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name.
  - 1. Sacrifice
  - 2. God wants a sacrifice of praise
  - 3. And praise is made of \_\_\_\_\_



**Session Five – The Correction of Job**

Les Hill, Pastor of the Gospel Light Baptist Church

**“The LORD will perfect that which concerneth me.” Psalm 138:8**

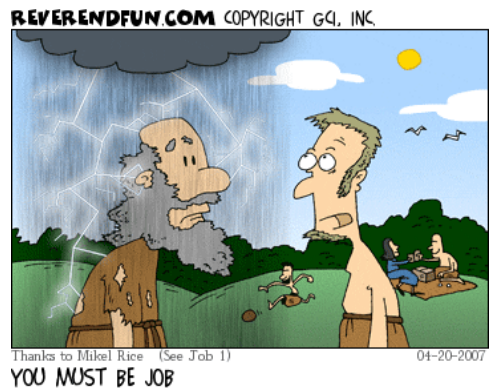
**Sermon Notes**

**I. Introduction**

**II. Job was \_\_\_\_\_**

**III. Job was \_\_\_\_\_**

**IV. Job was \_\_\_\_\_**

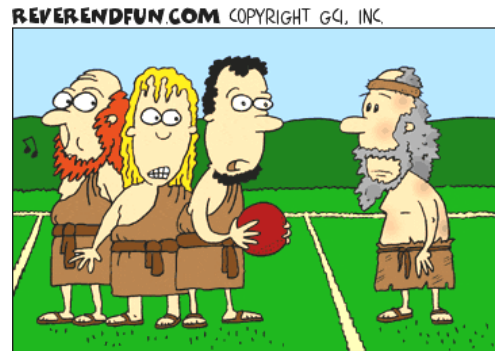


**Session Six – The Friends of Job**

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**“A friend loveth at all times, and a brother is born for adversity.”**  
Proverbs 17:17

**Sermon Notes:**



(See Job 1) 05-14-2001  
I'M TERRIBLY SORRY JOB, BUT WE DON'T  
FEEL THAT YOU WOULD BE A SOLID ASSET TO  
OUR TEAM, WHAT WITH YOUR CURSES AND ALL



# Worksheet One – Why Am I in Trouble?

A Full-Sized Worksheet Handout is Available

<p><b>There are Two Reasons for Trouble in your Life:</b></p>	<p><b>1 - Because of _____</b> Chastisement of God Job 5:17</p>	<p><b>2 - Because of _____</b> Hatred of Satan (John 10:10; 2Timothy 3:12)</p>	<p><b>Always For God's Glory</b> To strengthen me, prove me, and show that He is worthy (2Corinthians 12:9,10)</p>
<p><b>How do you tell what kind of trouble you are in? Examine Yourself...</b></p>	<p>Conscience? Holy Spirit convicting me of specific sins? Am I _____ of God's will? Am I lukewarm or cold towards the Bible, prayer, and Church?</p>	<p>A _____ conscience? Am I on fire for God – obedient? Am I right with God? Am I keenly aware of _____ darkness coming at me?</p>	<p>No matter what is happening in my life, if I am saved, then God seeks to purify me and make me more like His Son, while the devil seeks to make me curse God and give up. Every time I choose to yield to God's hand, glorifies God!</p>
<p><b>Examples of People That Experienced This Trouble</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• _____ because of sin with Bathsheba (1Sam 2:22-36)</li> <li>• _____ (1Sam 2:22-36)</li> <li>• Jonah in the Whale</li> <li>• Ananias and Sapphira (Acts 5)</li> <li>• _____ (Josh 7)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• _____ (Luke 22:31)</li> <li>• Eve (Gen 3)</li> <li>• Woman bound (Lk 13:16)</li> <li>• Three Hebrew Children</li> <li>• _____ in Lion's Den</li> <li>• Jesus in wilderness (Mt 4)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Abraham offering Isaac</li> <li>• Israel at Red Sea</li> <li>• Man born _____ (John 9)</li> <li>• Joseph (Gen 50:20)</li> <li>• Paul (2Cor 12:7-10)</li> <li>• _____</li> </ul>
<p><b>What Do You Do to get Through the Trouble?</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. _____ God's chastening hand – know that it will only get hotter!</li> <li>2. Humble yourself towards God!</li> <li>3. _____ God's correction as good for you (Heb. 12:6)</li> <li>4. See what you are doing as wrong and against God (Ps 51:4)</li> <li>5. _____ to God, AND the person wronged that you have done wrong – don't keep your sin hidden!</li> <li>6. _____ that sin – dump it publicly and completely</li> <li>7. Replace that sin with something good and right in God's eyes</li> <li>8. If you continually repeat a certain sin, it will make the recovery process harder and harder every time!</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. _____ from the Satanic pressure to a spiritual place of safety (Pr 18:10) which is Christ our Rock</li> <li>2. Submit to God – let Him over-rule (Gen 50:20)</li> <li>3. Come under your _____</li> <li>4. Meditate on God's commandments and promises – believe them with all your heart</li> <li>5. Resist / Reject the devil's _____</li> <li>6. Pray and _____ through the darkness</li> <li>7. Plead the power of Jesus' darkness</li> <li>8. Wait on God to deliver you</li> </ol>	<p><b>No matter what you are going through...</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Examine yourself for sin</li> <li>2. Confess and forsake sin</li> <li>3. Remember God's word</li> <li>4. Believe those promises</li> <li>5. Ignore feelings, or the lack of feelings</li> <li>6. Rejoice / Praise God anyway</li> <li>7. Humble yourself</li> <li>8. Get rid of as much self-righteousness as possible</li> <li>9. Obey whatever God is asking you to do</li> <li>10. Stay faithful</li> <li>11. Now look for a way out!</li> </ol>

## Men's Spiritual Retreat 2008

### The Hard Questions

*Job and his friends, and even the devil ask each other some hard questions. What kind of answers would you give them if you had the chance?*

1. **Then Satan answered the LORD, and said, Doth Job (insert your name) fear God for nought?** Job 1:9
2. **Then said his wife unto him, Dost thou still retain thine integrity?** Job 2:9  
How would you answer your wife if your life fell apart tomorrow?
3. **What? shall we receive good at the hand of God, and shall we not receive evil?** Job 2:10
4. **Why is light given to a man whose way is hid, and whom God hath hedged in?** Job 3:23
5. **What is my strength, that I should hope? and what is mine end, that I should prolong my life?** Job 6:11; 17:15
6. **How should man be just with God?** Job 9:2; 4:17; 15:14 How can anyone ever be right with such a holy and perfect God?
7. **Canst thou by searching find out God? canst thou find out the Almighty unto perfection?** Job 11:7 Do you think anyone can understand God?
8. **Who can bring a clean thing out of an unclean?** Job 14:4
9. **But man dieth, and wasteth away: yea, man giveth up the ghost, and where is he?** Job 14:10
10. **Wherefore do the wicked live, become old, yea, are mighty in power?** Job 21:7 Why do wicked people prosper while good people suffer?
11. **Shall any teach God knowledge?** Job 21:22 Can you teach God anything?
12. **How then can man be justified with God? or how can he be clean that is born of a woman?** Job 25:4 Is it possible at all?
13. **For what is the hope of the hypocrite, though he hath gained, when God taketh away his soul?** Job 27:8 Do sinners have any hope at all?
14. **But where shall wisdom be found? and where is the place of understanding?** Job 28:12, 20
15. **Where is God my maker?** Job 35:10 No one knows even where to begin to look for such a being!

## Prayer List

“**Men ought always to pray, and not to faint**” Luke 18:1

This list can be used every time we get together to pray, and should be added to as we learn of individual needs and requests.

**For Salvation** (2 Pet 3:9) “*God is not willing that any should perish...*”

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**For Christian Growth** (2 Pet 3:18) “*but grow in grace*”

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**For Special Needs** (Health, Family concerns)

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**For Your Church Needs**

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**Anything Else – maybe your own needs**

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