



Job: Introduction

“Though He slay me, I will hope in Him. Nevertheless I will argue my ways before Him. (Job 13:15)

I. Background

1. **Job was a real person who was severely tried by Satan. He is mentioned by both Ezekiel (14:14-10) and James (5:11).**
 2. **Job was not Jewish. He was contemporary with the Bible patriarchs (Abraham Isaac, Jacob).**
 - a. He lived approximately 200 years (Job 42:16).
 - b. He writes about ancient idolatry - the worship of the sun, moon, and heavenly hosts, (Job 31:26-28).
 - c. Job offered sacrifices, which was not allowed under the Old Covenant period (Job 1:5).
 3. **The Book of Job belongs to the section of scripture called “Books of Poetry.” It is written in poetic language.**
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II. Job's Friends

1. What are the names of Job's four friends?

 2. How do they try to help Job throughout the story?
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III. Why Do The Righteous Suffer?

1. What are some common answers you have heard?

2. What do scriptures say?

III. Sections Of The Book Of Job

1. **1:1-2:13 Satan seeks to prove to God that man** _____ .

- a. 1:1-22 Satan's first attempt.
- b. 2:1-13 Satan's second attempt.
- c. 3:1-26 Job's lament.

2. **3:1-37:24 Job's friends seek to prove to Job that he** _____ .

- a. 4:1-14:22 First attempt by Eliphaz, Bildad and Zophar, with Job's responses.
- b. 15:1-21:34 Second attempt by Eliphaz, Bildad and Zophar, with Job's responses.
- c. 22:1-37:24 Third attempt by Eliphaz, Bildad and Elihu, with Job's responses.

3. **38:1-42:17 God answers Job and His friends by** _____ .