

# The Servants of God: Tried, Corrected and Blessed!

**Prayer:** Psalms 24:1-5, 7-8 The earth is the LORD'S, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein. (2) For he hath founded it upon the seas, and established it upon the floods. (3) Who shall ascend into the hill of the LORD? or who shall stand in his holy place? (4) He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully. (5) He shall receive the blessing from the LORD, and righteousness from the God of his salvation  Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in. (8) Who is this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle.

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## CORRECTION/CHASTENING

Luke 4:1-8 And Jesus being full of the Holy Ghost returned from Jordan, and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, (2) Being forty days tempted of the devil. And in those days he did eat nothing: and when they were ended, he afterward hungered. (3) And the devil said unto him, If thou be the Son of God, command this stone that it be made bread. (4) And Jesus answered him, saying, It is written, That man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God. (5) And the devil, taking him up into an high mountain, shewed unto him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. (6) And the devil said unto him, All this power will I give thee, and the glory of them: for that is delivered unto me; and to whomsoever I will I give it. (7) If thou therefore wilt worship me, all shall be thine. (8) And Jesus answered and said unto him, Get thee behind me, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.

Notes:

- Holy Ghost = The Word of God
- Spirit = an angel

- The Lord gave Satan a bargaining chip to entice you with. It is up to us to reject it. He can't make you sin, but he can entice you by offering you what you lust for.
- The kingdoms of the world are in Satan's power to deliver to whom he will.
- He wants to be worshipped as God.



James 1:13-15 Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God: for God cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempteth he any man: (14) But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed. (15) Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death.

Notes:

- Lust = Covetousness, yearn for, desire
- Sin = Transgression of God's law
- Sometimes people prosper by accepting Satan's offer. Jeremiah asked God about that, asking WHY?
- Lust + Sin = DEATH
- The END of the wicked is the lake of fire.

Jeremiah 12:1-2 Righteous art thou, O LORD, when I plead with thee: yet let me talk with thee of thy judgments: Wherefore doth the way of the wicked prosper? *wherefore* are all they happy that deal very treacherously? (2) Thou hast planted them, yea, they have taken root: they grow, yea, they bring forth fruit: thou art near in their mouth, and far from their reins.

Notes:

- Wicked = Religious people who are servants of God in name only as well as those who have totally forsaken God for the love of money and riches.

- Planted them = they were called by God, but he didn't send them.
- Reins = Heart/Mind

Psalms 73:1-19 Truly God *is* good to Israel, *even* to such as are of a clean heart. (2) But as for me, my feet were almost gone; my steps had well nigh slipped. (3) For I was envious at the foolish, *when* I saw the prosperity of the wicked. (4) For *there are* no bands in their death: but their strength *is* firm. (5) They *are* not in trouble *as other* men; neither are they plagued like *other* men. (6) Therefore pride compasseth them about as a chain; violence covereth them *as* a garment. (7) Their eyes stand out with fatness: they have more than heart could wish. (8) They are corrupt, and speak wickedly *concerning* oppression: they speak loftily. (9) They set their mouth against the heavens, and their tongue walketh through the earth. (10) Therefore his people return hither: and waters of a full *cup* are wrung out to them. (11) And they say, How doth God know? and is there knowledge in the most High? (12) Behold, these *are* the ungodly, who prosper in the world; they increase *in* riches. (13) Verily I have cleansed my heart *in* vain, and washed my hands in innocency. (14) For all the day long have I been plagued, and chastened every morning. (15) If I say, I will speak thus; behold, I should offend *against* the generation of thy children. (16) When I thought to know this, it *was* too painful for me; (17) Until I went into the sanctuary of God; *then* understood I their end. (18) Surely thou didst set them in slippery places: thou castedst them down into destruction. (19) How are they *brought* into desolation, as in a moment! they are utterly consumed with terrors.

Notes:

- Clean heart = Clean mind
- Vain = Nothing
- Terrors = Lake of Fire

Psalms 92:5-7 O LORD, how great are thy works! *and* thy thoughts are very deep. (6) A brutish man knoweth not; neither doth a fool understand this. (7) When the wicked spring as the grass, and when all the workers of iniquity do flourish; *it is* that they shall be destroyed for ever:

Notes:

- Destroyed forever = Lake of Fire

Psalms 37:35-40 I have seen the wicked in great power, and spreading himself like a green bay tree. (36) Yet he passed away, and, lo, he *was* not: yea, I sought him, but he could not be found. (37) Mark the

perfect *man*, and behold the upright: for the end of *that man is* peace. (38) But the transgressors shall be destroyed together: the end of the wicked shall be cut off. (39) But the salvation of the righteous *is* of the LORD: *he is* their strength in the time of trouble. (40) And the LORD shall help them, and deliver them: he shall deliver them from the wicked, and save them, because they trust in him.

Notes:

- When trouble comes, lean on the Lord and trust in him.



Psalms 107:17-28 Fools because of their transgression, and because of their iniquities, are afflicted. (18) Their soul abhorreth all manner of meat; and they draw near unto the gates of death. (19) Then they cry unto the LORD in their trouble, *and* he saveth them out of their distresses. (20) He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered *them* from their destructions. (21) Oh that *men* would praise the LORD *for* his goodness, and *for* his wonderful works to the children of men! (22) And let them sacrifice the sacrifices of thanksgiving, and declare his works with rejoicing. (23) They that go down to the sea in ships, that do business in great waters; (24) These see the works of the LORD, and his wonders in the deep. (25) For he commandeth, and raiseth the stormy wind, which lifteth up the waves thereof. (26) They mount up to the heaven, they go down again to the depths: their soul is melted because of trouble. (27) They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunken man, and are at their wits' end. (28) Then they cry unto the LORD in their trouble, and he bringeth them out of their distresses.

Notes:

- Don't buy into Satan's contract; serve the Lord, not him.



Job 33:14-22, 27-30 For God speaketh once, yea twice, *yet man* perceiveth it not. (15) In a dream, in a vision

of the night, when deep sleep falleth upon men, in slumberings upon the bed; (16) Then he openeth the ears of men, and sealeth their instruction, (17) That he may withdraw man *from his* purpose, and hide pride from man. (18) He keepeth back his soul from the pit, and his life from perishing by the sword. (19) He is chastened also with pain upon his bed, and the multitude of his bones with strong *pain*: (20) So that his life abhorreth bread, and his soul dainty meat. (21) His flesh is consumed away, that it cannot be seen; and his bones *that* were not seen stick out. (22) Yea, his soul draweth near unto the grave, and his life to the destroyers. [27] He looketh upon men, and *if any* say, I have sinned, and perverted *that which was* right, and it profited me not; (28) He will deliver his soul from going into the pit, and his life shall see the light. (29) Lo, all these *things* worketh God oftentimes with man, (30) To bring back his soul from the pit, to be enlightened with the light of the living.

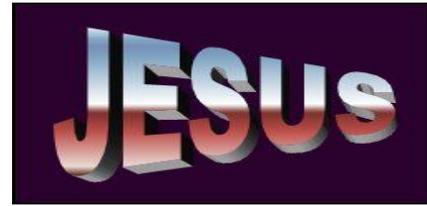
Notes:

- Pain = something is wrong that needs to be corrected.
- Illness and pain are God's way of telling us that something is wrong and we need to examine our ways (commune with your mind) and repent.
- Pit = Eternal death
- His purpose = Committing suicide by breaking the law and ending up in the lake of fire.
- The primary enemy isn't Satan; it's YOU.

Proverbs 3:5-13 Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. (6) In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. (7) Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the LORD, and depart from evil. (8) It shall be health to thy navel, and marrow to thy bones. (9) Honour the LORD with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase: (10) So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine. (11) My son, despise not the chastening of the LORD; neither be weary of his correction: (12) For whom the LORD loveth he correcteth; even as a father the son *in whom* he delighteth. (13) Happy *is* the man *that* findeth wisdom, and the man *that* getteth understanding.

Notes:

- Consult God's word before you do anything. You can't do evil and expect to be blessed by God.



Hebrews 12:1-13 Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset *us*, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, (2) Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of *our* faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God. (3) For consider him that endured such contradiction of sinners against himself, lest ye be wearied and faint in your minds. (4) Ye have not yet resisted unto blood, striving against sin. (5) And ye have forgotten the exhortation which speaketh unto you as unto children, My son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of him: (6) For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth. (7) If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons; for what son is he whom the father chasteneth not? (8) But if ye be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then are ye bastards, and not sons. (9) Furthermore we have had fathers of our flesh which corrected *us*, and we gave *them* reverence: shall we not much rather be in subjection unto the Father of spirits, and live? (10) For they verily for a few days chastened *us* after their own pleasure; but he for *our* profit, that *we* might be partakers of his holiness. (11) Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby. (12) Wherefore lift up the hands which hang down, and the feeble knees; (13) And make straight paths for your feet, lest that which is lame be turned out of the way; but let it rather be healed.

Notes:

- Author & Finisher = Jesus is the first and last God we have known in these flesh & blood bodies.
- Holiness = Complete (You have made the change from Man to God).
- Chastening = Correction
- Endure = bear, tolerate, last
- Fruit of righteousness = Immortality

# Chastening

Job 5:17-20, 27 Behold, happy *is* the man whom God correcteth: therefore despise not thou the chastening of the Almighty: (18) For he maketh sore, and bindeth up: he woundeth, and his hands make whole. (19) He shall deliver thee in six troubles: yea, in seven there shall no evil touch thee. (20) In famine he shall redeem thee from death: and in war from the power of the sword. <sup>27</sup> Lo this, we have searched it, so it *is*; hear it, and know thou *it* for thy good.

1 Corinthians 10:13-16 There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God *is* faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear *it*. (14) Wherefore, my dearly beloved, flee from idolatry. (15) I speak as to wise men; judge ye what I say. (16) The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ?

Notes:

- Bear = Tolerate, abide, put up with, accept
- God will not put anything on you that you can't survive from. Just take it one day at a time and bear it because it is out of love.

Psalms 37:23-25 The steps of a *good* man are ordered by the LORD: and he delighteth in his way. (24) Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down: for the LORD upholdeth *him with* his hand. (25) I have been young, and *now* am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread.

Notes:

- The steps of a servant of God are ordered by the Word of God.

Proverbs 24:16-22 For a just *man* falleth seven times, and riseth up again: but the wicked shall fall into mischief. (17) Rejoice not when thine enemy falleth, and let not thine heart be glad when he stumbleth: (18) Lest the LORD see *it*, and it displease him, and he turn away his wrath from him. (19) Fret not thyself because of evil *men*, neither be thou envious at the wicked; (20) For there shall be no reward to the evil *man*; the candle of the wicked shall be put

out. (21) My son, fear thou the LORD and the king: *and* meddle not with them that are given to change: (22) For their calamity shall rise suddenly; and who knoweth the ruin of them both?

Notes:

- Even if you fall, get back up and keep trying.
- When you see the wicked prosper, don't envy; thank God for his word and for the blessings to come for serving him.
- Candle put out = Cast into the lake of fire



Faint

Psalms 34:17-22 The *righteous* cry, and the LORD heareth, and delivereth them out of all their troubles. (18) The LORD *is* nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit. (19) Many *are* the afflictions of the righteous: but the LORD delivereth him out of them all. (20) He keepeth all his bones: not one of them is broken. (21) Evil shall slay the wicked: and they that hate the righteous shall be desolate. (22) The LORD redeemeth the soul of his servants: and none of them that trust in him shall be desolate.

Notes:

- Contrite = Humble, repentant, sorry
- No matter what afflictions come your way; DON'T FAINT (Give up).

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CHRISTIAN

1 Peter 4:1-4, 12-19 Forasmuch then as Christ hath suffered for us in the flesh, arm yourselves likewise with the same mind: for he that hath suffered in the flesh hath ceased from sin; (2) That he no longer should live the rest of *his* time in the flesh to the lusts of men, but to the will of God. (3) For the time past of *our* life may suffice us to have wrought the will of the Gentiles, when we walked in lasciviousness, lusts, excess of wine, revellings, banquetings, and abominable idolatries: (4) Wherein they think it strange that ye run not with *them* to the same excess

of riot, speaking evil of *you*: [12] Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you: (13) But rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings; that, when his glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy. (14) If ye be reproached for the name of Christ, happy *are ye*; for the spirit of glory and of God resteth upon you: on their part he is evil spoken of, but on your part he is glorified. (15) But let none of you suffer as a murderer, or *as* a thief, or *as* an evildoer, or as a busybody in other men's matters. (16) Yet if *any man suffer* as a Christian, let him not be ashamed; but let him glorify God on this behalf. (17) For the time *is come* that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if *it first begin* at us, what shall the end *be* of them that obey not the gospel of God? (18) And if the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear? (19) Wherefore let them that suffer according to the will of God commit the keeping of their souls *to him* in well doing, as unto a faithful Creator.

Notes:

- Christian = Christ like
- Lasciviousness = To cause to sin
- House of God = Commonwealth of Israel
- Scarcely = you barely made it.



1 Peter 5:6-10 Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time: (7) Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you. (8) Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: (9) Whom resist stedfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world. (10) But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle *you*.

Notes:

- Humble = meek, not proud or arrogant; modest

- Sober = somber, restrained, temperate
- Vigilant = watchful, alert, heedful
- Devour = to entice you to sin against God and end up in the lake of fire.
- Perfect = To become God

## JOSEPH

Genesis 37:1-5, 12-13, 18, 21, 24-28 And Jacob dwelt in the land wherein his father was a stranger, in the land of Canaan. (2) These *are* the generations of Jacob. Joseph, *being* seventeen years old, was feeding the flock with his brethren; and the lad *was* with the sons of Bilhah, and with the sons of Zilpah, his father's wives: and Joseph brought unto his father their evil report. (3) Now Israel loved Joseph more than all his children, because he *was* the son of his old age: and he made him a coat of *many* colours. (4) And when his brethren saw that their father loved him more than all his brethren, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably unto him. (5) And Joseph dreamed a dream, and he told *it* his brethren: and they hated him yet the more. [12] And his brethren went to feed their father's flock in Shechem. (13) And Israel said unto Joseph, Do not thy brethren feed *the* flock in Shechem? come, and I will send thee unto them. And he said to him, Here *am I*. [18] And when they saw him afar off, even before he came near unto them, they conspired against him to slay him. [21] And Reuben heard *it*, and he delivered him out of their hands; and said, Let us not kill him. [24] And they took him, and cast him into a pit: and the pit *was* empty, *there was* no water in it. (25) And they sat down to eat bread: and they lifted up their eyes and looked, and, behold, a company of Ishmeelites came from Gilead with their camels bearing spicery and balm and myrrh, going to carry *it* down to Egypt. (26) And Judah said unto his brethren, What profit *is it* if we slay our brother, and conceal his blood? (27) Come, and let us sell him to the Ishmeelites, and let not our hand be upon him; for he *is* our brother *and* our flesh. And his brethren were content. (28) Then there passed by Midianites merchantmen; and they drew and lifted up Joseph out of the pit, and sold Joseph to the Ishmeelites for twenty *pieces* of silver: and they brought Joseph into Egypt.

Notes:

- Ishmeelites = Arabs
- Joseph was 17 when his brothers cast him into the pit. Joseph was sold into slavery.



Genesis 39:1-2, 5-9, 12, 16-21 And Joseph was brought down to Egypt; and Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh, captain of the guard, an Egyptian, bought him of the hands of the Ishmeelites, which had brought him down thither. (2) And the LORD was with Joseph, and he was a prosperous man; and he was in the house of his master the Egyptian. <sup>5</sup> And it came to pass from the time *that* he had made him overseer in his house, and over all that he had, that the LORD blessed the Egyptian's house for Joseph's sake; and the blessing of the LORD was upon all that he had in the house, and in the field. (6) And he left all that he had in Joseph's hand; and he knew not ought he had, save the bread which he did eat. And Joseph was *a* goodly *person*, and well favoured. (7) And it came to pass after these things, that his master's wife cast her eyes upon Joseph; and she said, Lie with me. (8) But he refused, and said unto his master's wife, Behold, my master wotteth not what *is* with me in the house, and he hath committed all that he hath to my hand; (9) There *is* none greater in this house than I; neither hath he kept back any thing from me but thee, because thou *art* his wife: how then can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God? <sup>12</sup> And she caught him by his garment, saying, Lie with me: and he left his garment in her hand, and fled, and got him out. <sup>16</sup> And she laid up his garment by her, until his lord came home. (17) And she spake unto him according to these words, saying, The Hebrew servant, which thou hast brought unto us, came in unto me to mock me: (18) And it came to pass, as I lifted up my voice and cried, that he left his garment with me, and fled out. (19) And it came to pass, when his master heard the words of his wife, which she spake unto him, saying, After this manner did thy servant to me; that his wrath was kindled. (20) And Joseph's master took him, and put him into the prison, a place where the king's prisoners *were* bound: and he was there in the prison. (21) But the LORD was with Joseph, and shewed him mercy, and gave him favour in the sight of the keeper of the prison.

## Notes:

- If you are an obedient servant, God is with you.
- Joseph was charged with attempted rape and thrown into prison. He was falsely accused.

Genesis 41:1, 8-16, 25, 33, 39-42, 44, 46 And it came to pass at the end of two full years, that Pharaoh dreamed: and, behold, he stood by the river. <sup>8</sup> And it came to pass in the morning that his spirit was troubled; and he sent and called for all the magicians of Egypt, and all the wise men thereof: and Pharaoh told them his dream; but *there was* none that could interpret them unto Pharaoh. (9) Then spake the chief butler unto Pharaoh, saying, I do remember my faults this day: (10) Pharaoh was wroth with his servants, and put me in ward in the captain of the guard's house, *both* me and the chief baker: (11) And we dreamed a dream in one night, I and he; we dreamed each man according to the interpretation of his dream. (12) And *there was* there with us a young man, an Hebrew, servant to the captain of the guard; and we told him, and he interpreted to us our dreams; to each man according to his dream he did interpret. (13) And it came to pass, as he interpreted to us, so it was; me he restored unto mine office, and him he hanged. (14) Then Pharaoh sent and called Joseph, and they brought him hastily out of the dungeon: and he shaved *himself*, and changed his raiment, and came in unto Pharaoh. (15) And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, I have dreamed a dream, and *there is* none that can interpret it: and I have heard say of thee, *that* thou canst understand a dream to interpret it. (16) And Joseph answered Pharaoh, saying, *It is* not in me: God shall give Pharaoh an answer of peace. <sup>25</sup> And Joseph said unto Pharaoh, The dream of Pharaoh *is* one: God hath shewed Pharaoh what he *is* about to do. <sup>33</sup> Now therefore let Pharaoh look out a man discreet and wise, and set him over the land of Egypt. <sup>39</sup> And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, Forasmuch as God hath shewed thee all this, *there is* none so discreet and wise as thou *art*: (40) Thou shalt be over my house, and according unto thy word shall all my people be ruled: only in the throne will I be greater than thou. (41) And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, See, I have set thee over all the land of Egypt. (42) And Pharaoh took off his ring from his hand, and put it upon Joseph's hand, and arrayed him in vestures of fine linen, and put a gold chain about his neck; <sup>44</sup> And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, I *am* Pharaoh, and without thee shall no man lift up his hand or foot in all the land of Egypt. <sup>46</sup> And Joseph *was* thirty years

old when he stood before Pharaoh king of Egypt. And Joseph went out from the presence of Pharaoh, and went throughout all the land of Egypt. <sup>46</sup> And Joseph *was* thirty years old when he stood before Pharaoh king of Egypt. And Joseph went out from the presence of Pharaoh, and went throughout all the land of Egypt.

Notes:

- Joseph suffered from the age of 17 thru 30 (a total of 13 years) and then he was blessed.



Psalms 105:17-22 He sent a man before them, *even* Joseph, *who* was sold for a servant: (18) Whose feet they hurt with fetters: he was laid in iron: (19) Until the time that his word came: the word of the LORD tried him. (20) The king sent and loosed him; *even* the ruler of the people, and let him go free. (21) He made him lord of his house, and ruler of all his substance: (22) To bind his princes at his pleasure; and teach his senators wisdom.

Notes:

- Joseph taught the Egyptian senators wisdom.
- He never sinned against God. He was patient and waited on God to save him.

James 5:7-11 Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain. (8) Be ye also patient; stablish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh. (9) Grudge not one against another, brethren, lest ye be condemned: behold, the judge standeth before the door. (10) Take, my brethren, the prophets, who have spoken in the name of the Lord, for an example of suffering affliction, and of patience. (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 the Lord is very pitiful, and of tender mercy.

Notes:

- Precious fruit = blessings
- Judge = Jesus



Cherub Angel

Job 1:1-22 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. (2) And there were born unto him seven sons and three daughters. (3) His substance also was seven thousand sheep, and three thousand camels, and five hundred yoke of oxen, and five hundred she asses, and a very great household; so that this man was the greatest of all the men of the east. (4) And his sons went and feasted *in their* houses, every one his day; and sent and called for their three sisters to eat and to drink with them. (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. (6) Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan came also among them. (7) And the LORD said unto Satan, Whence comest thou? Then Satan answered the LORD, and said, From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it. (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? (9) Then Satan answered the LORD, and said, Doth Job fear God for nought? (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. (11) But put forth thine hand now, and touch all that he hath, and he will curse thee to thy face. (12) And the LORD said unto Satan, Behold, all that he hath *is* in thy power; only upon himself put not forth thine hand. So Satan went forth from the presence of the LORD. (13) And there was a day when his sons and his daughters *were* eating and drinking wine in their eldest brother's house: (14) And there came a messenger unto Job, and said, The oxen were plowing, and the asses feeding beside them: (15) And the Sabeans fell *upon them*, and took them away; yea, they have slain the servants with the edge of the sword; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee. (16) While he *was* yet speaking, there came also another, and said, The fire of God is fallen from heaven, and

hath burned up the sheep, and the servants, and consumed them; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee. (17) While he *was* yet speaking, there came also another, and said, The Chaldeans made out three bands, and fell upon the camels, and have carried them away, yea, and slain the servants with the edge of the sword; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee. (18) While he *was* yet speaking, there came also another, and said, Thy sons and thy daughters *were* eating and drinking wine in their eldest brother's house: (19) And, behold, there came a great wind from the wilderness, and smote the four corners of the house, and it fell upon the young men, and they are dead; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee. (20) Then Job arose, and rent his mantle, and shaved his head, and fell down upon the ground, and worshipped, (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. (22) In all this Job sinned not, nor charged God foolishly.

Notes:

- Sons of God = In this chapter these are the Angels that did not sin against God.
- Satan showed up too because he had to, but he was no longer a son of God since he was disinherited and cast out.
- Eschewed = to abstain or keep away from; shun
- Hedge = Holy Angels to protect you
- Job lost his cattle, his house, his servants and his children, but he continued to serve God.
- Charged God foolishly = Blaming God when something goes wrong in your life.



Job 2:1-10 Again there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan came also among them to present himself before the LORD. (2) And the LORD said unto Satan, From whence comest thou? And Satan answered the LORD, and said, From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it. (3) 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? and still he holdeth fast his integrity, although thou movedst me against him, to destroy him without cause. (4) And Satan answered the LORD, and said, Skin for skin, yea, all that a man

hath will he give for his life. (5) But put forth thine hand now, and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse thee to thy face. (6) And the LORD said unto Satan, Behold, he *is* in thine hand; but save his life. (7) So went Satan forth from the presence of the LORD, and smote Job with sore boils from the sole of his foot unto his crown. (8) And he took him a potsherd to scrape himself withal; and he sat down among the ashes. (9) Then said his wife unto him, Dost thou still retain thine integrity? curse God, and die. (10) But he said unto her, Thou speakest as one of the foolish women speaketh. What? shall we receive good at the hand of God, and shall we not receive evil? In all this did not Job sin with his lips.

Notes:

- The last of Job's trials was taking away his health. Even through all of the pain and suffering, he did not turn away from God.
- Satan don't run anything...God runs it all.
  - Satan is merely the finger of God.
- God sends both good and evil; SERVE GOD ALWAYS.

*Blessed*

Job 42:7-17 And it was *so*, that after the LORD had spoken these words unto Job, the LORD said to Eliphaz the Temanite, My wrath is kindled against thee, and against thy two friends: for ye have not spoken of me *the thing that is* right, as my servant Job *hath*. (8) Therefore take unto you now seven bullocks and seven rams, and go to my servant Job, and offer up for yourselves a burnt offering; and my servant Job shall pray for you: for him will I accept: lest I deal with you *after your* folly, in that ye have not spoken of me *the thing which is* right, like my servant Job. (9) So Eliphaz the Temanite and Bildad the Shuhite *and* Zophar the Naamathite went, and did according as the LORD commanded them: the LORD also accepted Job. (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. (11) Then came there unto him all his brethren, and all his sisters, and all they that had been of his acquaintance before, and did eat bread with him in his house: and they bemoaned him, and comforted him over all the evil that the LORD had brought upon him: every man also gave him a piece of money, and every one an earring of gold. (12) So the LORD blessed the latter end of Job more than his beginning: for he had fourteen thousand sheep, and

six thousand camels, and a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand she asses. (13) He had also seven sons and three daughters. (14) And he called the name of the first, Jemima; and the name of the second, Kezia; and the name of the third, Kerenhappuch. (15) And in all the land were no women found *so* fair as the daughters of Job: and their father gave them inheritance among their brethren. (16) After this lived Job an hundred and forty years, and saw his sons, and his sons' sons, *even* four generations. (17) So Job died, *being* old and full of days.

Notes:

- After Job's trial, God blesses him better than he was blessed before because Job endured his trial and was obedient to God.
- He never charged God foolishly and never gave up the faith.

Revelation 3:19 As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.

Notes:

- As many as I love, I...
  - Rebuke = reprimand, reprove, scold, admonish, chide
  - When you are being rebuked, check yourself and make sure you are walking right. If you are, then God is using you as an example to someone else to show that even while being rebuked a servant of God can endure.
- Chasten = to correct, punish, discipline
- Be zealous and...
  - REPENT = to feel sorry, self-reproachful, or contrite for past conduct; regret or be conscience-stricken about a past action, attitude, etc.

### Extra Verses

Ecclesiastes 5:8-13 If thou seest the oppression of the poor, and violent perverting of judgment and justice in a province, marvel not at the matter: for *he that is* higher than the highest regardeth; and *there be* higher than they. (9) Moreover the profit of the earth is for all: the king *himself* is served by the field. (10) He that loveth silver shall not be satisfied with silver; nor he that loveth abundance with increase: this *is* also vanity. (11) When goods increase, they are increased that eat them: and what good *is there* to the owners thereof, saving the beholding *of them* with their eyes? (12) The sleep of a labouring man *is*

sweet, whether he eat little or much: but the abundance of the rich will not suffer him to sleep. (13) There is a sore evil *which* I have seen under the sun, *namely*, riches kept for the owners thereof to their hurt.

Ecclesiastes 4:1-8 So I returned, and considered all the oppressions that are done under the sun: and behold the tears of *such as were* oppressed, and they had no comforter; and on the side of their oppressors *there was* power; but they had no comforter. (2) Wherefore I praised the dead which are already dead more than the living which are yet alive. (3) Yea, better *is he* than both they, which hath not yet been, who hath not seen the evil work that is done under the sun. (4) Again, I considered all travail, and every right work, that for this a man is envied of his neighbour. This *is* also vanity and vexation of spirit. (5) The fool foldeth his hands together, and eateth his own flesh. (6) Better *is* an handful *with* quietness, than both the hands full *with* travail and vexation of spirit. (7) Then I returned, and I saw vanity under the sun. (8) There is one *alone*, and *there is* not a second; yea, he hath neither child nor brother: yet *is there* no end of all his labour; neither is his eye satisfied with riches; neither *saieth he*, For whom do I labour, and bereave my soul of good? This *is* also vanity, yea, it *is* a sore travail.

Luke 12:16-31 And he spake a parable unto them, saying, The ground of a certain rich man brought forth plentifully: (17) And he thought within himself, saying, What shall I do, because I have no room where to bestow my fruits? (18) And he said, This will I do: I will pull down my barns, and build greater; and there will I bestow all my fruits and my goods. (19) And I will say to my soul, Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years; take thine ease, eat, drink, *and* be merry. (20) But God said unto him, *Thou* fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee: then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided? (21) So *is* he that layeth up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God. (22) And he said unto his disciples, Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat; neither for the body, what ye shall put on. (23) The life is more than meat, and the body *is more* than raiment. (24) Consider the ravens: for they neither sow nor reap; which neither have storehouse nor barn; and God feedeth them: how much more are ye better than the fowls? (25) And which of you with taking thought can add to his stature one cubit? (26) If ye then be not able to do that thing which is

