



Amidst Pain

THE BOOK OF JOB

The primary purpose of this guide is to be used in your Journey group setting to walk a group through the teachings at Journey as they correspond with the sermon series and scripture. This guide could also be used in a smaller setting, like in a one-on-one discipleship relationship, or even could be found helpful for a personal study as an individual takes in the teachings and seeks to apply the Bible to their real life.

In this guide, you will find an overview page to get a big-picture view of the study. The next page is a resources page where you will find hyperlinks to other resources that our team found helpful in the writing of the teachings. The rest of the guide includes questions to help frame conversations around God's word both for your own personal study and for the facilitation of group discussion.

Our team prays that the teaching of God's Word, as well as this guide, will encourage, challenge, and strengthen your faith as you seek to follow Jesus wherever he leads.

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THREE THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THE BOOK OF JOB

1. Here is an outline of the book of Job

a. Outline of Job

- i. 1:1–2:13—Prologue
- ii. 3:1–26—Job’s opening lament
- iii. 4:1–14:22—The first round of speeches with the friends
- iv. 15:1–21:14—The second round of speeches with the friends
- v. 22:1–27:23—The third round of speeches with the friends
- vi. 28:1–28—The hymn to wisdom
- vii. 29:1–31:40—Job’s closing lament
- viii. 32:1–37:24—The speeches of Elihu, the fourth friend
- ix. 38:1–40:2—The first speech of God
- x. 40:3–5—Job’s first response
- xi. 40:6–41:34—The second speech of God
- xii. 42:1–6—Job’s second response
- xiii. 42:7–17—Epilogue

2. The Book of Job is in the genre of Biblical Poetry.

3. The Book of Job’s main theme is the mystery of why God does what he does. The fact is God is still just and good no matter what happens in our lives.

Resources

Related Books

The 7 Arrows Bible Study Method

TGC Course, is designed for all levels of Bible students to study God's Word on their own or in a group setting.

Bible Project Guide on the Book of Job

The 7 Questions

1. What does this passage say?
2. What did this passage mean to its original audience?
3. What does this passage tell us about God?
4. What does this passage tell us about man?
5. What does this passage demand of me?
6. How does this passage change the way I relate to people?
7. What does this passage prompt me to pray to God?

READING PLAN OF JOB THROUGH THIS SERIES

WEEK 1:

MONDAY 4/8 - SUNDAY 4/14

- MONDAY 4/8 – JOB 1
- TUESDAY 4/9 – JOB 2
- WEDNESDAY 4/10 – JOB 3
- THURSDAY 4/11 – JOB 4
- FRIDAY 4/12 – JOB 5
- SATURDAY - SUNDAY
“GRACE/CATCH UP DAYS”

WEEK 2:

MONDAY 4/15- SUNDAY 4/21

- MONDAY 4/15 – JOB 6
- TUESDAY 4/16 – JOB 7
- WEDNESDAY 4/17 – JOB 8
- THURSDAY 4/18 – JOB 9
- FRIDAY 4/19 – JOB 10
- SATURDAY - SUNDAY
“GRACE/CATCH UP DAYS”

WEEK 3:

MONDAY 4/22- SUNDAY 4/28

- MONDAY 4/22 – JOB 11
- TUESDAY 4/23 – JOB 12
- WEDNESDAY 4/24 – JOB 13
- THURSDAY 4/25 – JOB 14
- FRIDAY 4/26 – JOB 15
- SATURDAY - SUNDAY
“GRACE/CATCH UP DAYS”

WEEK 4:

MONDAY 4/29- SUNDAY 5/5

- MONDAY 4/29 – JOB 16
- TUESDAY 4/30 – JOB 17
- WEDNESDAY 5/1 – JOB 18
- THURSDAY 5/2 – JOB 19
- FRIDAY 5/3 – JOB 20
- SATURDAY - SUNDAY
“GRACE/CATCH UP DAYS”

WEEK 5:

MONDAY 5/6- SUNDAY 5/12

- MONDAY 5/6 – JOB 21-22
- TUESDAY 5/7 – JOB 23
- WEDNESDAY 5/8 – JOB 24
- THURSDAY 5/9 – JOB 25
- FRIDAY 5/10 – JOB 26
- SATURDAY - SUNDAY
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WEEK 6:

MONDAY 5/13 - SUNDAY 5/19

- MONDAY 5/13 – JOB 27
- TUESDAY 5/14 – JOB 28
- WEDNESDAY 5/15 – JOB 29
- THURSDAY 5/16 – JOB 30
- FRIDAY 5/17 – JOB 31
- SATURDAY - SUNDAY
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WEEK 7:

MONDAY 5/13 - SUNDAY 5/19

- MONDAY 5/13 – JOB 32
- TUESDAY 5/14 – JOB 33
- WEDNESDAY 5/15 – JOB 34
- THURSDAY 5/16 – JOB 35
- FRIDAY 5/17 – JOB 36
- SATURDAY - SUNDAY
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WEEK 8:

MONDAY 5/20 - SUNDAY 5/26

- MONDAY 5/20 – JOB 37
- TUESDAY 5/21 – JOB 38
- WEDNESDAY 5/22 – JOB
- THURSDAY 5/23 – JOB 40
- FRIDAY 5/24 – JOB 41-42
- SATURDAY - SUNDAY
“GRACE/CATCH UP DAYS”

Group Discussion Guide

WEEK ONE: // SERMON TITLE: JOB'S TEST // SERMON TEXT: JOB 1

Application & Discussion Questions:

Icebreaker: ***note: Consider making the icebreaker a group role in figuring out who in your group is good at these to make it fun for the group each week.*

- What is your favorite life hack? Where did you learn it?
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Facilitation Questions

- What scripture, point, or story stood out to you the most or was difficult to grasp?
- In your personal study this week, did you come across anything that uniquely convicted, inspired, and/or challenged you? – **SEE THE 7 ARROWS RESOURCE FOR HOW TO HAVE TIME IN THE BIBLE.**
- What was one point of application that you encountered this week, either in your personal study or this week's sermon, that you hope to carry forward in your walk?

Application Questions *(Here are some possible ways to apply and obey what we've seen in God's Word this week. It is important to be doers of the Word and not hearers only.)*

- How do you think Job's initial attitude toward his suffering affected the rest of his story?
- What can this passage teach us about God's role in our suffering?
- What is one promise from God about suffering that comforts you?
- Have you ever experienced significant loss? How did your faith survive?

Question for Personal Reflection for the Week

- How can you simply focus on remaining faithful in the midst of pain?

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- SATURDAY - SUNDAY
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Group Discussion Guide

WEEK TWO: // SERMON TITLE: JOB'S HEALTH // SERMON TEXT: JOB 2:1-10

Application & Discussion Questions:

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Facilitation Questions

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Application Questions *(Here are some possible ways to apply and obey what we've seen in God's Word this week. It is important to be doers of the Word and not hearers only.)*

- How could it be tempting to "sin with our lips" when we are going through a difficult circumstance? (see Job 2:10)
- How is hope a direct result of character? Why do you think hope is the goal in this passage?
- Have you ever walked through disappointment and seen God redeem it somehow?

Question for Personal Reflection for the Week

- How can you be honest with God in the midst of your pain and still without sin?

Job Reading Plan this Week:

WEEK 2:

MONDAY 4/15- SUNDAY 4/21

- MONDAY 4/15 – JOB 6
- TUESDAY 4/16 – JOB 7
- WEDNESDAY 4/17 – JOB 8
- THURSDAY 4/18 – JOB 9
- FRIDAY 4/19 – JOB 10
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Group Discussion Guide

WEEK THREE: // SERMON TITLE: ELIPHAZ AND JOB // SERMON TEXT: JOB 4:1-9; 5:17-27; 6:24-30; 23:1-17

Application & Discussion Questions:

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Facilitation Questions

- What scripture, point, or story stood out to you the most or was difficult to grasp?
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Application Questions *(Here are some possible ways to apply and obey what we've seen in God's Word this week. It is important to be doers of the Word and not hearers only.)*

- In what ways does Eliphaz explain Job's essential problem? How does he explain this to Job?
- How does Job respond to the Eliphaz's speech? What does he use to defend his rebuttal?
- As you read Eliphaz's speeches (4:1-5:27; 15:1-35; 22:1-30), consider how he describes God and human beings. Do you use the same words or ideas to describe them?
- Consider Job's responses (6:1-7:21; 16:1-17:16; 23:1-24:25). How does Job defend himself in these passages? How does he describe the relationship between God and humans? Do you describe it the same way?

Question for Personal Reflection for the Week

- In what ways do you need to practice patience in your pain and walking with others?

Job Reading Plan this Week:

WEEK 3:

MONDAY 4/22- SUNDAY 4/28

- MONDAY 4/22 – JOB 11
- TUESDAY 4/23 – JOB 12
- WEDNESDAY 4/24 – JOB 13
- THURSDAY 4/25 – JOB 14
- FRIDAY 4/26 – JOB 15
- SATURDAY - SUNDAY
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Group Discussion Guide

WEEK FOUR: // SERMON TITLE: BILDAD AND JOB // SERMON TEXT: JOB 8:1-7; 25:1-6; 9:1-3, 29-34; 19:1-6

Application & Discussion Questions:

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Facilitation Questions

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Application Questions *(Here are some possible ways to apply and obey what we've seen in God's Word this week. It is important to be doers of the Word and not hearers only.)*

- Bildad is extremely harsh in his assessment of Job's situation. In what ways have you seen people treat others with the same type of contempt Bildad does with Job? Remember, they are friends!
- What would you say causes the biggest misrepresentation of God's justice in Bildad's assessment? Where does this come from? In what ways do people struggle still with misrepresenting God's justice and judgment for others?
- Bildad challenges Job on three occasions (8:1-22; 18:1-21; 25:1-6). How do Bildad's words describe his understanding of God and his relationship to people?
- In response, Job speaks to Bildad on three different occasions (9:1-10:22; 19:1-29; 26:1-14). How does Job respond to Bildad? How do Job's words describe his understanding of God?

Question for Personal Reflection for the Week

- How is God still worthy of our trust, even in the midst of our pain?

Job Reading Plan this Week:

WEEK 4:

MONDAY 4/29- SUNDAY 5/5

- MONDAY 4/29 – JOB 16
- TUESDAY 4/30 – JOB 17
- WEDNESDAY 5/1 – JOB 18
- THURSDAY 5/2 – JOB 19
- FRIDAY 5/3 – JOB 20
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WEEK FIVE: // SERMON TITLE: ZOPHAR AND JOB // SERMON TEXT: JOB 11:1-20; 12:1-12

Application & Discussion Questions:

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Facilitation Questions

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- Zophar only speaks to Job on two occasions. What does he say is Job's essential problem? What is his advice on how to handle the problem?
- How does Job respond to Zophar? Why do you think he takes this position with Zophar?
- Zophar seems to indicate that there are two sides to every story. Do you sense he really understands both sides, or is he simply referring to what he sees as the story? In what ways do people struggle to see all sides of the story? What is needed to help gain better vision?
- Job doesn't deny he is guilty; he only argues that his current situation is not the result of personal sin. Discuss different ways that people can suffer as a result of someone else's choices or other causes. How does Job's story help us to better understand how to empathize with people?

Question for Personal Reflection for the Week

- How can you grow in your humility and compassion towards others in their pain?

Job Reading Plan this Week:

WEEK 5:

MONDAY 5/6- SUNDAY 5/12

- MONDAY 5/6 – JOB 21-22
- TUESDAY 5/7 – JOB 23
- WEDNESDAY 5/8 – JOB 24
- THURSDAY 5/9 – JOB 25
- FRIDAY 5/10 – JOB 26
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WEEK SIX: // SERMON TITLE: JOB SPEAKS AGAIN // SERMON TEXT: JOB 27

Application & Discussion Questions:

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Facilitation Questions

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Application Questions *(Here are some possible ways to apply and obey what we've seen in God's Word this week. It is important to be doers of the Word and not hearers only.)*

- Why do you think faithfulness to God is at risk during a trial?
- How does God measure our faithfulness?
- How can integrity and perseverance in our faith influence the lost world around us?
- Have you ever been tempted to walk away from your relationship with God?

Question for Personal Reflection for the Week

- Our role is simple and difficult in the midst of our pain to maintain obedience. How can you do that this week?

Job Reading Plan this Week:

WEEK 6:

MONDAY 5/13 - SUNDAY 5/19

- MONDAY 5/13 – JOB 27
- TUESDAY 5/14 – JOB 28
- WEDNESDAY 5/15 – JOB 29
- THURSDAY 5/16 – JOB 30
- FRIDAY 5/17 – JOB 31
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Group Discussion Guide

WEEK SEVEN: // SERMON TITLE: GOD'S DEFEAT OF EVIL // SERMON TEXT: JOB 40:6-41-34

Application & Discussion Questions:

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Facilitation Questions

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Application Questions *(Here are some possible ways to apply and obey what we've seen in God's Word this week. It is important to be doers of the Word and not hearers only.)*

- Job's friends provide great theological facts but are not very good counselors for a grieving Job. Name something they said that is true, even if they applied it poorly. What are some truths you learned from Job's replies? Many times, people say they can sympathize with Job; however, it seems that many times we have more in common with his friends. What are some ways we could evaluate the way we are friends to others?
- How does God's judgment prove to be the best of all judgments? His words in 40–41 speak to the true nature of the relationship of God and human beings. How does this help you to better appreciate your relationship with God?
- Imagine that Job's story ended differently. Would it change the way we view its lessons?

Question for Personal Reflection for the Week

- How can you trust God is in control?

Job Reading Plan this Week:

WEEK 7:

MONDAY 5/13 - SUNDAY 5/19

- MONDAY 5/13 – JOB 32
- TUESDAY 5/14 – JOB 33
- WEDNESDAY 5/15 – JOB 34
- THURSDAY 5/16 – JOB 35
- FRIDAY 5/17 – JOB 36
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Group Discussion Guide

WEEK EIGHT: // SERMON TITLE: JOB IS RESTORED // SERMON TEXT: JOB 42

Application & Discussion Questions:

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- Job longed for an advocate to stand in the gap between him and God. For the follower of Christ, we believe that person to be Jesus. In what ways do you think Job set the stage for the coming of this relationship? How has Jesus's role of mediator fulfilled Job's desire?
- What about God's nature is revealed in this passage?
- Have you ever seen God restore or redeem something that seemed irreparable in your own life?
- Are you still waiting on a resolution or clarity on something in your life? How do you maintain your trust in God while you wait?

Question for Personal Reflection for the Week

- How does knowing that no plan of God can ever change give you confidence no matter what you may be facing?

Job Reading Plan this Week:

WEEK 8:

MONDAY 5/20 - SUNDAY 5/26

- MONDAY 5/20 – JOB 37
- TUESDAY 5/21 – JOB 38
- WEDNESDAY 5/22 – JOB
- THURSDAY 5/23 – JOB 40
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