

GOD ON TRIAL

The Book of Job



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Job's Problematic Restoration?

- It doesn't erase the suffering he experienced, so getting all his stuff back - even double - seems hollow.
- Providing Job with more children does not heal his grief for those he lost.
- Restoring Job's prosperity seems to support the Retribution Principle



Video can be found here: <https://youtu.be/GswSg2ohqmA>

Outline of Job

Prologue: ch 1-3

Speech cycles (× 3): ch 4-27

Wisdom Poem: ch 28

Monologues (× 3) ch 29-41

Epilogue: ch 42

**Is it possible to do a
completely selfless act?**

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PURPOSE > REASON

As he went along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” “Neither this man nor his parents sinned,” said Jesus, “but this happened so that the works of God might be displayed in him.”

John 9:1-3

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understanding, but
trusting in the God who
DOES understand.**

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Job 1:1

Do not be wise in
your own eyes;
fear the Lord and shun evil.

Proverbs 3:7

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Job 1:1

He was the greatest man
among all the sons of the East.

Job 1:3

Solomon's wisdom was greater
than the wisdom of all the sons
of the East

1 Kings 4:30

So now take seven bulls and seven rams and go to my servant Job and sacrifice a burnt offering for yourselves. My servant Job will pray for you, and I will accept his prayer and not deal with you according to your folly.

Job 42:8

After Job had prayed for his friends, the Lord restored his fortunes and gave him twice as much as he had before.

Job 42:10

While Job was praying for his friends, the Lord restored his fortunes and gave him twice as much as he had before.

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