

Bible Seminar: Poetry Books

Job

Intro:

Author:

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Genre:

Wiersbe Outline:

1. Jobs Distress (Job 1-3)
 - A. His prosperity
 - B. His adversity
 - C. His perplexity



2. Job's Defense (Job 4-37)

A. First round (4-14)

- Eliphaz – Job replies
- Bildad – Job replies
- Zophar – Job replies

B. Second round (15-21)

- Eliphaz – Job replies
- Bildad – Job replies
- Zophar – Job replies

C. Third round (22-31)

- Eliphaz – Job replies
- Bildad – Job replies
- No Zophar

D. Young Elihu Speaks (32-37)

- Attacks Job's friends (32)
- Attacks Job (33)
- Proclaims God's justice, goodness & majesty (34-37)

3. Job's Deliverance (Job 38-42)

A. God humbles Job (Job 38:1-42:6)

- Through questions too great to answer (38:1-41:34)
- Job acknowledges his inability to understand (42:1-6)

B. God honors Job (Job 42:7-17)

- God rebukes his critics (42:7-10)
- God restores his wealth (42:11-17)



How to Read It:

Random Lessons:

1. Three truths must be held together:
 - A. God is completely sovereign
 - B. God is infinite in wisdom
 - C. God is perfect in love
2. God is sovereign over suffering
It's the Romans 8:28-29 principle
3. Grief and worship go together (Job 1:21)
4. Grief and acceptance go together (Job 2:10)

5. We don't know what is happening behind the scenes (Job 1:6-12, Job 2:1-6)
6. Satan is weaker and worse than we thought
 - A. He must give an account (1:6)
 - B. He isn't omnipotent (1:7)
 - C. He roams (1:7)
 - D. He's a people watcher (Job 2:3)
 - E. He operates by permission (1:12, 2:6)
7. Don't talk too much
 - A. Job 2:11-13 - Good
 - B. Job 4-37 - Bad
8. God will eventually vindicate the righteous
9. God does not reveal his purposes
10. We know so little about God (Job 38-41)



The Gospel in Job:

Direct Gospel:

Job 42:7-8

1. Man has sinned against God
2. God is angry at sin
3. God is merciful