

The Book of Job

Introduction – Chapter 8

Author and Date

Who is the author of the book and when was it written?

Title

Where does the book get its name?

Structure

How is the book structured?

Literary Background

What section of the Old Testament is the book of Job classified?

The Question of Historicity

Is the book of Job a work of history?

Themes

What are the three main themes of the book?

Christian Perspective

How does the book of Job relate to the revelation of the New Testament?

Chapter 1

(Read Note 1:1-2:13) Does Job know what's going on in the heavenly realm?

(Read 1:1-5) Where is the land of Uz? (Note 1:1)

Who is Job? (Note 1:2-3)

Is Job a priest? (Note 1:5)

(Read 1:6-12) Is Job considered God's servant? (Note 1:8)

Does Satan question the motives behind Job's piety? (Note 1:9)

(Read 1:13-19) What happened to Job? (Note 1:13-19)

(Read 1:20-22) What is the meaning of tearing your robe and shaving your head? (Note 1:20)

Is the earth both a womb and a tomb? (Note 1:21)

Chapter 2

(Read 2:1-6) Does Job refuse to sin despite his painful loss? (Note 2:3)

What does skin for skin mean? (Note 2:4)

Can the devil do whatever he wants? (Note 2:6)

(Read 2:7-8) What is Job's next affliction? (Note 2:7)

(Read 2:9-10) Does Job's wife support him in this time of trial? (Note 2:9)

(Read 2:11-13) Who are Job's three friends? (Note 2:11-13)

Chapter 3

What does Job convey in his opening monologue? (Note 3:1-26)

(Read 3:17) How did the ancients understand the netherworld of the dead? (Note 3:17)

Chapter 4 and 5

What is Eliphaz's response to Job? (Note 4:1-5:27)

(Read 5:13) Is God just? (Note 5:13)

(Read 5:17) Does suffering sometimes effect a moral and spiritual change? (Note 5:17)

Chapters 6 and 7

How does Job reply to Eliphaz? (Note 6:1-7:21)

Chapter 8

How does Bildad view the situation? (Note 8:1-22)

(Read 8:1-3) Can suffering test our faith and increase our virtue?