

JOB OR JESUS?

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INTRO: HEB. 4:1-2

The Gospel benefits those who mix faith with it. To have faith, we must know it and understand it accurately. We must be fully persuaded like Abraham was. Also, we must know our enemy, **JOHN 10:10**, who he is, what he does, and how he operates. If not, we are vulnerable to his lies. He'll undermine our faith by getting us to accuse God as Job did.

Job was Limited

JOB 2:7 – Job didn't know about a devil, so he blamed God, just as insurance companies blame Him for natural disasters—acts of God.

JOB 3:1-4, 11-12 Why do bad things happen to good people?

JOB 13:3 HCSB – Job wanted to argue his case before God.

JOB 13:15 – Job was right and wrong. We serve God no matter what, but to say my ways are right and God is wrong, is not right.

JOB 27:1-6 NLT– He's righteous, and God is unjust for allowing it.

JOB 19:6-10 NLT God didn't do all this, Satan did. Job falsely accuses God because he had no revelation of a devil.

JOB 34:5 NLT– Job says he's righteous and upright and God is unjust and unfair.

ROM. 3:3-4 Those who accuse God are liars.

JOB 32:1-3 NLT Job was self-righteous. Elihu was angry with Job for justifying himself and with his friends for condemning Job. Only God is true and has the correct answers.

JOB 38:1-11 NLT – Job has no answers for God's difficult questions.

JOB 40:1-14 NLT God rebukes Job for trying to teach him. Job begins to see how wrong he is, Job can't save himself.

JOB 42:2-6 NLT Job repents for falsely accusing God, and in **Verse 10**, he prays for his friends and gets back twice as much.

JOB 9:32-33 NLT- Job needed a daysman, advocate or defense attorney. Someone to plead his case, **JOB 16:21 NLT**.

Jesus is our Advocate

1 JOHN 2:1 - Our defense attorney knows what it's like to be God and man. He's qualified to plead our case. He needs testimony and evidence in order to properly represent us.

REV. 12:9-11 – Job didn't have Jesus, so we are not in his position. We know our enemy. We're not representing ourselves. Our defense attorney presents His Blood that speaks great things before the high court of Heaven. It says we are

innocent, forgiven, healed, and made holy. So, we instead of saying “why me?” say “My God will never fail me, forsake me, or do this to me. I will never blame Him or accuse Him for what Satan does. I add my testimony to what the Blood of Jesus speaks of, and I would lay down my life for it.”

JOB 3:25 – Job’s fear allowed the devil in.

Conclusion: The Bible is progressive revelation. We can’t base our lives or beliefs on Job’s experience. Since then, we have the Gospel. We have a high priest, mediator, advocate, intercessor, and surety (guarantee) who stands behind every covenant promise made to us by God.