

Introduction to Job

Author: Unknown, but Moses, Solomon and Ezra have been suggested.

Date Written: Unknown, probably much later than the events of Job.

Period of Time that the Book Covers: It is likely that the story of Job occurs post-Babel (Gen 11) but before or during the time of Abraham (Gen 12-24).

Theme of the Book: Suffering and Sovereignty

Outline of the Book:

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| I. | The Disasters of Job | (1-2) |
| II. | The Dialogues of Job | (3-37) |
| III. | The Deliverance of Job | (38-42) |

Key Chapters:

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| 1-2 | Satan's accusation and Job's affliction |
| 3-37 | Job's friends' counsel |
| 38-41 | God's speech and Job's silence |
| 42 | Job's repentance and restoration |

Key Passage:

19:25-26 I know that my Redeemer lives

Summary Statement: Job is the story of a man greatly afflicted. Job was a righteous man that God was proud of, yet Satan obtained permission from God to test Job's faith without Job's knowledge and afflicted him terribly. He destroyed all of Job's possessions, killed his children and smote him with a miserable disease. The book records Job debating with his friends in an attempt to discern the reason behind his suffering. His friends claim that it is a result of his sin, but Job asserts his innocence over and over and demands an audience with God. Eventually, God answers Job directly, and Job recognizes his inferiority. The book gives answer to the question of suffering in this world, especially the suffering of the righteous. How is the righteous man to understand his suffering? That it all occurs under the sovereign rule of God, and the righteous trust in Him.

Friday, July 3

Job 39-40

- Write a prayer to the Lord to thank Him for His control over nature.

- Is Job's response in 40:1-5 correct? Why or why not?

Psalm 23

- How has the Lord led you kindly already this year?

Verse of the Week:

- ***Romans 3:10*** – As it is written, "There is none righteous, not even one."

Prayer Category – Our Nation

Pray for our nation and our leaders.

Saturday, July 4

Review Day

Catch up on any readings, study questions, or memorization that you may have missed.

Prayer Category – The Church

Pray for tomorrow's teachers, services, and events at our church, pray for our church leadership, and pray for the persecuted church throughout the world.

Sunday, July 5

Review Day

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Prayer Category - Evangelism

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Introduction to Genesis

Author: Moses, Israel's God-ordained leader and great prophet

Date Written: Between 1445 – 1405 BC, after the Exodus, but before Moses' death.

Period of Time that the Book Covers: From Creation – 1804 BC.

Theme of the Book: Beginnings

Outline of the Book:

- I. Primeval History – Four Events (1-11)
 - o Creation (1-2)
 - o Fall (3-5)
 - o Flood (6-9)
 - o Nations (10-11)

- II. Patriarchal History – Four People (12-50)
 - o Abraham (12-24)
 - o Isaac (25-26)
 - o Jacob (27-36)
 - o Joseph (37-50)

Key Chapters:

- 1 Creation (broad perspective), God as Creator
- 2 Creation (focus on man; Adamic covenant)
- 3 Temptation; fall; curses
- 4 Cain and Abel; Cain's line – civilization
- 6-8 Flood; deliverance in the ark
- 9 Everlasting covenant; curse of Canaan
- 11 Babel; dispersion of nations
- 18-19 Sodom and Gomorrah
- 22 Isaac is offered up
- 32 Jacob wrestles with God
- 37 Joseph is sold by his brothers
- 49 Jacob blesses his sons

Key Passages:

- 1:24-27 6th day of creation
- 1:31 Creation declared "very good"
- 2:24 A man shall leave and cleave
- 3:15 The promised seed
- 6:1-4 The "sons of God"
- 12:1-3 Abrahamic Covenant
- 35:9-12 Jacob becomes "Israel"
- 50:20 "God meant it for good"

Summary Statement: Genesis is a book of beginnings. In Genesis, we find the beginning of the world in the creation story. We find the beginning of people, as they are created specially by God in His image, and we find the beginning of sin when Adam and Eve succumb to temptation and rebel against God. We find the beginning of language when God confuses the language and disperses the nations of the earth. We find the beginning of God's chosen people when God calls Abram (Abraham) to follow after Him and promises to make from His descendants a great nation

Wednesday, July 8

Genesis 15:1-17:14

- How did Abram/Abraham exhibit faith in the Lord in these verses?

- How did Abram/Abraham exhibit disbelief in these verses?

Psalm 26

- How does David prepare to worship the Lord? How do you prepare to worship the Lord?

Verse of the Week:

- ***Romans 3:23*** - "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."

Prayer Category – Missionary of the Month

Use the page at the back of the reading plan to pray for our missionaries

Saturday, July 11

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Tuesday, July 14

Genesis 24

- How did the various characters honor or not honor God in their actions?
 - o Abraham

 - o The servant

 - o Rebecca

 - o Laban

 - o Isaac

- What are some ways the Lord has blessed Abraham thus far?

Psalm 30

- Write your favorite verse from the chapter?

Verse of the Week:

- ***Romans 6:23*** - "For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."

Prayer Category – My Family, Praises, and Thanksgivings

Wednesday, July 15

Genesis 25-26

- What did the Lord promise Isaac in 26:1-6?

- Compare the verses above with 26:24. What is different and what is similar in the Lord's promise to Isaac?

Psalm 31:1-9

- For the believer, how has Christ "seen my affliction; You have known the troubles of my soul"?

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Thursday, July 16

Genesis 27

- What did these people do in this story so that they honored God and His ways? Or did they?
 - o Isaac
 - o Esau
 - o Jacob
 - o Rebecca
- How was God and His ways dishonored in this passage?

Psalm 31:10-24

- Have you made God your God? How have you practically put your trust in Him? (vs.14)

Verse of the Week:

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Prayer Category – My Small Group & Friends

Saturday, July 18

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Sunday, July 19

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Monday, July 20

Genesis 29:30-30:43

- Choose 3 or 4 of Jacob's sons and write the meanings of their names?

- What are some tangible ways God blessed Jacob?

Psalm 33

- How is the Word described in this Psalm?

Verse of the Week:

- ***Titus 3:5*** – “He saved us, not on the basis of deeds which we have done in righteousness, but according to His mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewing by the Holy Spirit.”

Prayer Category – Purity and Spiritual Growth

Pray for your own Purity and Spiritual Growth in Christ-likeness.

Wednesday, July 22

Genesis 32-33

- Why might Jacob be afraid of Esau?

- Discuss with your small group leader about who wrestled with Jacob. Who do you think it was? You might want to use a study Bible.

Psalm 34:9-22

- How does the Lord provide for His people in this passage?

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Prayer Category – Missionary of the Month

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Saturday, July 25

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Sunday, July 26

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Wednesday, July 29

Genesis 41

- What was the interpretation of Pharaoh's dreams?

- What did Joseph implement in Egypt to preserve them from famine?

Psalm 37:12-23

- How has the Lord sustained you this week?

Verse of the Week:

- ***Colossians 2:9*** - "For in Him all the fullness of Deity dwells in bodily form."

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August Reading Schedule

- 1 *Catch up on missed reading*
- 2 *Catch up on missed reading*
- 3 Genesis 45-46, Psalm 38:9-22
- 4 Genesis 47-48, Psalm 39
- 5 Genesis 49-50, Psalm 40
- 6 Exodus 1-2, Psalm 41
- 7 Exodus 3-4, Psalm 42-43
- 8 *Catch up on missed reading*
- 9 *Catch up on missed reading*
- 10 Exodus 5-6, Psalm 44:1-10
- 11 Exodus 7:1-9:7, Psalm 44:11-26
- 12 Exodus 9:8-10:29, Psalm 44:11-26
- 13 Exodus 11:1-12:28, Psalm 46
- 14 Exodus 12:29-13:22, Psalm 47
- 15 *Catch up on missed reading*
- 16 *Catch up on missed reading*
- 17 Exodus 14-15, Psalm 48
- 18 Exodus 16-17, Psalm 49:1-7
- 19 Exodus 18-19, Psalm 49:8-20
- 20 Exodus 20:1-21:32, Psalm 50:1-9
- 21 Exodus 21:33-23:33, Psalm 50:10-23
- 22 *Catch up on missed reading*
- 23 *Catch up on missed reading*
- 24 Exodus 24-25, Psalm 51
- 25 Exodus 26-27, Psalm 52
- 26 Exodus 28, Psalm 53-54
- 27 Exodus 29:1-30:16, Psalm 55:1-9
- 28 Exodus 30:17-32:35, Psalm 55:10-23
- 29 *Catch up on missed reading*
- 30 *Catch up on missed reading*
- 31 Exodus 33-34, Psalm 56

2 Year Reading Plan – What we have already read:

- Genesis 1 – 44, Job
- Psalm 1 - 37

Missionary of the Month



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- Praise for God's faithfulness in allowing them to serve Him and participate in the work of building His kingdom.
- Praise for God's mercy and grace toward the church in Kromeriz and toward the Klepaceks, personally.
- Pray for perseverance, faithfulness, and humility as they walk through trials and seek to remain faithful to Christ.
- Pray for a deeper dependence on the Lord; trusting Him fully and living with a holy fear of Him alone.
- Pray for opportunities and wisdom to be faithful witnesses in this spiritually needy country, with strength and eagerness to proclaim the Gospel and make disciples.