

**THE BOOK OF JOB**  
**JOB 19**

**INTRODUCTION:**

1. What can you do when you feel trapped? (Ps. 11.3,1)
2. Bildad painted a picture of the wicked. (Job 18.13,15,19)
3. In Job 19, Job accuses Bildad of wronging him. (Job 19.1-5)

**I. FAIRNESS**

- A. Job felt abandoned by God.
1. **JOB 19.7:** *“If I cry out concerning wrong...”*
  2. **JOB 19.7:** *“If I cry aloud, there is no justice.”*
  3. Job wanted his day in court. (Job 10.2; 13.3; 23.3,4)
- B. Life is not always fair.
1. Was life fair for David? (2 Sam. 16.11; 18.33; Ps. 13.1-3)
  2. Was life fair for Jesus? (Isa. 53.5; 2 Cor. 5.21)
  3. Is life always fair for you? (Heb. 13.5)

**II. FRIENDSHIP**

- A. Job felt abandoned by his friends.
1. **JOB 19.19:** *“All my close friends abhor me”*
  2. **JOB 19.20,21:** *“Have pity on me, O you my friends”*
- B. Friends will not always be there when you need them.
1. Where was David’s family? (cf. 2 Tim. 4.10)
  2. The disciples of Jesus? (Matt. 26.40; Luke 22.33)

**II. FUTURE**

- A. Job had hope in the life to come.
1. He was confident of his future. (Job 19.25,26)
  2. He was eager for his future. (Job 19.27)
  3. He would be exonerated in his future. (Job 19.28,29)
- B. We can have hope for our future.
1. Are you confidence of your future? (1 John 5.13)
  2. Are you eager for your future? (2 Pet. 3.12)
  3. Will you be free in your future? (1 Pet. 4.4,5)

**CONCLUSION:** You can be confident of heaven!

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*“Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature”*  
-Mark 16.15

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**MEETING TIMES:**

**SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS : 9:00 AM**  
**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP: 9:50 AM**  
**SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP: 6:00 PM**  
**WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE CLASS 7:00 PM**

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## TRAINING THE CONSCIENCE

The conscience is that feeling or sense within us that provokes feelings of guilt when we have done that which we believe is wrong.

It is important to note that the conscience, by itself, is not adequate enough tell the difference between right and wrong. Indeed, there are times when one may break the laws of God, but because he did not perceive them as sin, his conscience would not be bothered. Although Paul tried to destroy the church, he confessed that *“I have lived in all good conscience before God until this day”* (Acts 23.1).

In contrast, the conscience may be bothered by something that is not against the laws of God. Under the Old Law, the Jews were forbidden to eat meat sacrificed to idols. But under the law of Christ, no such restriction was in place. However, because their conscience had been trained that eating certain meats was sinful, it bothered their conscience to do so. (1 Cor. 8.7,8).

How do we train our conscience? We train it by the word of God. Paul wrote that he was not lying, *“my conscience also bearing me witness in the Holy Spirit”* (Rom. 9.1). When we are influenced by the Holy Spirit (the word of God), the scriptures confirm our guilt or our innocence.

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## YOU ARE ABLE

### EXODUS 4:13

#### INTRODUCTION:

1. God is actively involved in the lives of humanity. That should motivate us to do our best for Him.
2. Doing what God expects of you is hard, but with God's involvement, you are able.

#### I. UNFOLDING THE TEXT

- A. Awareness: God was aware of His people.
  1. **EXODUS 3.7:** *"I have surely seen"*
  2. **EXODUS 3.7:** *"and have heard their cry"*
  3. **EXODUS 3.8:** *"So I have come down"*
  4. **EXODUS 3.9:** *"I have also seen"*
- B. Assignment: God assigns Moses a task.
  1. **EXODUS 3.10:** *"I will send you to Pharaoh"*
  2. Pharaoh was a powerful and arrogant man.
- C. Apprehension: Moses was apprehensive to obey.
  1. Moses repeatedly offers objections to why he was not able to obey. (Ex. 3.11,13; 4.1,10,13)
  2. **EXODUS 4.14:** *"So the anger of the LORD was kindled"*

#### II. THREE PRINCIPLES TO HELP YOU

- A. Presence: God is always with you.
  1. **EXODUS 3.12:** *"I will certainly be with you"*
  2. God is with me when I do His work. (Matt. 28.19,20)
- B. Partnership: God is working with and through me.
  1. **EXODUS 3.17:** *"I will bring you up"*
  2. **EXODUS 3.20:** *"I will stretch out My hand"*
  3. The work that you do is not done alone. God is working with you as your partner. (1 Cor. 3.6,9)
- C. Power: God is powerful to accomplish His will
  1. **EXODUS 4.9:** God gives Moses who miraculous signs to convince both Israel and Pharaoh. (cf. Ex. 3.20)
  2. Though not miraculously, God still powerfully works in your life today. (Phil. 4.13; Eph. 6.10)

**CONCLUSION:** God knows who you are and what you are capable of accomplishing (1 Cor. 12.28).

## WHY ARE THERE FEW WHO ARE SAVED?

It is important to remember that the few who are saved is not because of God's inability or the ineffectiveness of the message (Isa. 59.1; Rom. 9.6). It is not because of the Calvinistic teaching that most have been predestined to be lost and few to be saved. The answer to the question posed in the title are threefold. The answer to the question posed in the title is threefold. And each of these three reasons comes down to a matter of choice. Salvation is made available to everyone. There are few who are saved because there are few who will listen and accept the offer of salvation.

In the previous two articles, we addressed two of the three reasons. We saw that there are few who are saved because the life expected of those who are saved is hard. There are few who are willing to do what it takes (Matt. 7.13,14). We also saw that there are few who are saved because of a heart condition. They have a spiritual heart that will not be receptive to the gospel (Matt. 13.15). In this article, we'll explore the third reason. In Matthew 20, 16, we find another occasion where Jesus said, *"For there are many called, but few chosen."* From this text, we learn that there are few who are saved because pride has filled the hearts of the lost.

If you look at this passage in context, Jesus tells the parable of the laborers. In this parable, you have a landowner who hired workers at different times of the day. As a result, some worked all day while others worked only an hour. When it was time for the workers to receive their compensation, the landowner paid them all the same. At this, the ones who worked all day complained (Matt. 20.12). The landowner said, *"Is it not lawful for me to do what I wish with my own things? Or is your eye evil because I am good"* (Matt. 20.15). Those who worked all day were envious of those who worked only an hour.

It is said that envy is the daughter of pride. That because, envy is produced from the pride of life. It is interesting that when the Holy Spirit placed all sin into three categories, one of those categories is pride (1 John 2.15-17). Pride will keep you from heaven. It was pride that moved Eve to eat the forbidden fruit, The devil told her, *"that in the day you eat of it, your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God"* (Gen. 3.3). It is pride who kept the religious leaders from heaven. Paul warned the Jews that they saw themselves as *"a guide to the blind, a light to those who are in darkness, an instructor of the foolish, a teacher of babes"* (Rom. 2.19,20).

Pride will prevent you from obeying the gospel because you think you don't need to be saved. Pride will prevent you from repenting because you don't believe you need it. Paul never believed he was right with God because of his own goodness. He told Titus that it was *"not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy, He saved us"* (Titus 3.5; cf. 1 Tim. 1.14). Jesus tells us that there are only a few who are saved because many will be filled with pride. Are you? CLP