

## THE BOOK OF JOB

### JOB 25

#### INTRODUCTION:

1. In two days, Job lost everything. (Job 1.13; 2.11)
2. In his final speech, Eliphaz reminds Job that in the eyes of God, no one can be righteous. [Read Job 25.1-6]

#### I. THE GREATNESS OF GOD

- A. The sovereignty of God.
  1. **JOB 25.2:** *“Dominion and fear belong to Him”*
  2. God rules over all creation. (Ex. 9.16; Dan. 4.17,34)
  3. God is the be feared. (Ps. 99.1; Jer. 10.6,7; Heb. 4.1)
- B. The mercy of God.
  1. **JOB 25.2:** *“He makes peace in His high places.”*
  2. Only God can offer peace. (Col. 1.20; Rom. 5.1,10)
- C. The glory of God.
  1. **JOB 25.3:** *“Is there any number to His armies?”*
  2. Countless angels and stars. (Heb. 12.22; Jer. 33.22)
  3. **JOB 25.3:** *“Upon whom does His light not rise?”*

#### II. THE WICKEDNESS OF MAN

- A. In view of God, man cannot be righteous.
  1. **JOB 25.4-6:** *“How then can man be righteous before God?”* (cf. Job 4.18,19)
  2. Job argued that he was innocent. (Job 10.7; 11.4)
- B. Can a man be righteous before God?
  1. **ROMANS 3.9,10:** *“There is none righteous”*
  2. Therefore, we cannot look at others with the eye of arrogant self-righteousness. (Luke 18.14,9; Gal. 6.1)
- C. How can you be righteous before God? (Ezek. 14.14)
  1. Noah was righteous. (Gen. 6.9; Heb. 11.7)
  2. Job was righteous. (Job 1.8; 42.6)
  3. Daniel was righteous. (Dan. 10.11; 9.20)
  4. You can be righteous. (Phil. 3.9; 2 Cor. 5.21)

**CONCLUSION:** Righteous only by the blood of Jesus.

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-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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### Avoiding Foolish Disputes

Our faith is constantly under assault. Christians are called upon to *“contend earnestly for the faith”* (Jude 3). God has given us His word which is useful for *“casting down arguments”* (2 Cor. 10.5). Is there a time when we ought not to argue?

Paul commands Titus to *“avoid foolish disputes, genealogies, contentions, and strivings about the law; for they are unprofitable and useless”* (Titus 3.9). Why is a discussion of the truth considered foolish, unprofitable, and useless? Truth is not relative. It matters what we believe. But are there times when arguing over truth does not have any benefits? Yes, when arguing is not to defend the truth but to create division (Titus 3.10).

There are some who love to argue. They have no interest in an honest discussion to uncover the truth (2 Thess. 2.10). They are only interested in the fight. Paul describes them as being *“obsessed with disputes and arguments over words”* (1 Tim. 6.4). Engaging with such a one will only create division within the church and harm the brethren.

The church is the *“pillar and ground of truth”* (1 Tim. 3.15). We are to defend it, uphold it, and protect it. But arguing for the sake of arguing is never beneficial to anyone. *“From such withdraw yourself”* (1 Tim. 6.5).

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## THE INFLUENCE OF NOAH

### GENESIS 6:8

#### INTRODUCTION:

1. Who are the most influential people in your generation?
2. Who are the most influential people in Biblical history?
3. Noah was a man whose life has impacted the lives of everyone who has come after him. What made Noah so influential?

#### I. NOAH WAS DIFFERENT

- A. Noah was a righteous man in a wicked world.
  1. God said something. (Gen. 6.1-4; cf. 1 Pet. 3.20)
  2. God saw something. (Gen. 6.5)
  3. God felt something. (Gen. 6.6,7)
  4. **GENESIS 6.8,9:** “Noah was a just man, perfect in his generation. Noah walked with God.”
- B. Can the same be said of you?
  1. **2 CORINTHIANS 6.17:** “Come out from among them”
  2. **ROMANS 12.2:** “Do not be conformed to this world”
  3. **JAMES 1.27:** “keep oneself unspotted from the world.”

#### II. NOAH WAS OBEDIENT

- A. Noah did what God commanded him to do.
  1. God gave the how. (Gen. 6.13-16)
  2. God gave the why. (Gen. 6.17)
  3. God gave the who. (Gen. 6.18,19; cf. Gen. 7.22)
  4. **GENESIS 6.19:** “Thus Noah did...” (cf. Gen. 7.5,9,16)
- B. Can the same be said of you?
  1. **HEBREWS 5.8,9:** “salvation to all who obey Him.”
  2. **MATTHEW 28.18:** “All authority has been given to Me”
  3. **JOHN 12.48:** “the word that I have spoken will judge him”

#### III. NOAH WAS DEVOTED

- A. Noah built the ark because of how he felt about God.
  1. **HEBREWS 11.7:** “moved with godly fear”
  2. Godly Fear (eulabomai): Literally, devotion.
- B. Can the same be said of you?
  1. **HEBREWS 12.28:** “serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear.” Literally, with respect and devotion.
  2. Our view of God dictates how we live.

**CONCLUSION:** This is how you make lasting change in your life.

## Double Standards

There will come a day when the God will judge the world (Acts 17.31). This judgment will include everyone who has lived in the past and everyone who is alive when that day comes (Acts 10.42). There is one standard by which everyone will be judged. Jesus tells us that “*the word that I have spoken will judge him in the last day*” (John 12.48). However, brethren have the tendency to apply one standard to the world and a different standard on themselves.

In Romans 1, the Gentiles knew that there was a God and knew that this God is powerful. But instead of acknowledging Him and being thankful, they recreated Him in the form of idols (Rom. 1.20-23). The consequence of their rejection of God was a life of immorality. It was a life of “*uncleanness,*” “*vile passions,*” and a “*debased mind*” (Rom. 1.24-32). Because of their chosen lifestyle, we are told that “*those who practice such things are deserving of death*” (Rom. 1.32).

The Jews were knew the will of God being “*instructed out of the law*” (Rom. 2.17). They saw themselves as guides, light, instructors, and teachers (Rom. 2.18-20). So you can imagine how the Jews would have reacted to the first chapter of Romans. Paul wrote what the Jews already believed: That the Gentiles were condemned and deserved to suffer the wrath of God. But when you come to chapter 2, Paul turns his attention to the people of God. In Romans 2.1, Paul writes that the Jews were “*inexcusable...whoever you are who judge, for in whatever you judge another you condemn yourself.*”

The judgment of God is “*according to truth*” which is His word (Rom. 2.2; John 17.17). God does not use one standard for the world and a different standard for His people. Regardless of who you are, God will “*render to each one according to his deeds*” (Rom. 2.5). Every person’s life will be held up again the word of God. If your life is not consistent with the teachings of scripture, you will face “*wrath in the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God*” (Rom. 2.4). If your life is in keeping with the word of God, you will enjoy “*glory, honor, and peace*” (Rom. 2.10). If God applied different standards to His people than those who were of the world, He would be showing partiality. But the Holy Spirit says that “*there is no partiality with God*” (Rom. 2.11).

Do you condemn others and then excuse or justify yourself for doing the same thing (Rom. 2.21-24)? Do you condemn those who look at pornography and then lust after another in your heart (Matt. 5.27,28)? Do you shun idolatry but covet (Col. 3.5)? Those who “*judge another and practice the same things*” will not escape God’s judgment. (Rom. 2.3). Do you have double standards? CLP