# "Trust Trophy"

"He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God. Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the LORD."

(Psalm 40:3)

#### **God's Challenge to Satan**

Job 1:6-12 – (6) "Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan also came among them. (7) The LORD said to Satan, 'From where have you come?' Satan answered the LORD and said, 'From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking up and down on it.' (8) And the LORD said to Satan, 'Have you considered my servant Job, that there is none like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man, who fears God and turns away from evil?' (9) Then Satan answered the LORD and said, 'Does Job fear God for no reason? (10) Have you not put a hedge around him and his house and all that he has, on every side? You have blessed the work of his hands, and his possessions have increased in the land. (11) But stretch out your hand and touch all that he has, and he will curse you to your face.' (12) And the LORD said to Satan, 'Behold, all that he has is in your hand. Only against him do not stretch out your hand.' So Satan went out from the presence of the LORD."

## **God is in Control**

<u>Job 1:20-21</u> – (20) "Then Job arose and tore his robe and shaved his head and fell on the ground and worshiped. (21) And he said, 'Naked I came from my mother's womb, and naked shall I return. The LORD gave, and the LORD has taken away; blessed be the name of the LORD."

<u>Job 2:9-10</u> – (9) "Then his wife said to him, 'Do you still hold fast your integrity? Curse God and die.' (10) But he said to her, 'You speak as one of the foolish women would speak. Shall we receive good from God, and shall we not receive evil?' In all this Job did not sin with his lips."

#### **God has Me Covered**

Job 9:21 – "I am blameless; I regard not myself; I loathe my life."

<u>Job 10:7</u> – "...although you know that I am not guilty, and there is none to deliver out of your hand?"

<u>Job 27:5-6</u> – (5) "Far be it from me to say that you are right; till I die I will not put away my integrity from me. (6) I hold fast my righteousness and will not let it go; my heart does not reproach me for any of my days."

<u>Job 29:14</u> – "I put on righteousness, and it clothed me; my justice was like a robe and a turban"

<u>Job 19:25-27</u> – (25) "For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last he will stand upon the earth. (26) And after my skin has been thus destroyed, yet in my flesh I shall see God, (27) whom I shall see for myself, and my eyes shall behold, and not another. My heart faints within me!"

### **God is Working toward a Good End**

<u>Job 23:8-10</u> – (8) "Behold, I go forward, but he is not there, and backward, but I do not perceive him; (9) on the left hand when he is working, I do not behold him; he turns to the right hand, but I do not see him. (10) But he knows the way that I take; <u>when he has tried me</u>, I shall come out as gold."

#### **The Good End - God is Glorified**

"...You have heard of the steadfastness of Job, and you have <u>seen the purpose of the Lord, how the Lord is compassionate and merciful."</u> (James 5:11)

"Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour?' But for this purpose I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name. Then a voice came from heaven: 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." (John 12:27-28)

"In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven." (Matthew 5:16)

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