

“Devotion on Display” (3)

“...You have heard of the steadfastness of Job...” (James 5:11)

Steadfast Standout

Job 1:6-8 – ⁶“Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan also came among them. ⁷The 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.’ ⁸And 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?’”

Job 2:1-4 – ¹“Again there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan also came among them to present himself before the LORD. ²And 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.’ ³And 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? He still holds fast his integrity, although you incited me against him to destroy him without reason.’ ⁴Then Satan answered the LORD and said, ‘Skin for skin! All that a man has he will give for his life.’”

Steadfast Under Pressure

Job 1:20-21 – ²⁰“Then Job arose and tore his robe and shaved his head and fell on the ground and worshiped. ²¹And 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.’”

Job 2:9-10 – ⁹“Then his wife said to him, ‘Do you still hold fast your integrity? Curse God and die.’ ¹⁰But 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."

Steadfast Faith

Job 1:4-5 – ⁴"His sons used to go and hold a feast in the house of each one on his day, and they would send and invite their three sisters to eat and drink with them. ⁵And when the days of the feast had run their course, Job would send and consecrate them, and he would rise early in the morning and offer burnt offerings according to the number of them all. For Job said, 'It may be that my children have sinned, and cursed God in their hearts.' Thus Job did continually."

Job 23:8-12 – ⁸"Behold, I go forward, but he is not there, and backward, but I do not perceive him; ⁹on the left hand when he is working, I do not behold him; he turns to the right hand, but I do not see him. ¹⁰But he knows the way that I take; when he has tried me, I shall come out as gold. ¹¹My foot has held fast to his steps; I have kept his way and have not turned aside. ¹²I have not departed from the commandment of his lips; I have treasured the words of his mouth more than my portion of food."

Steadfast Hope

Job 13:15-16 – ¹⁵"Though he slay me, I will hope in him; yet I will argue my ways to his face. ¹⁶This will be my salvation, that the godless shall not come before him."

Job 19:23-27 – ²³"Oh that my words were written! Oh that they were inscribed in a book! ²⁴Oh that with an iron pen and lead they were engraved in the rock forever! ²⁵For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last he will stand upon the earth. ²⁶And after my skin has been thus destroyed, yet in my flesh I shall see God, ²⁷whom I shall see for myself, and my eyes shall behold, and not another. My heart faints within me!"

(ESV used unless otherwise noted)