

# Job's Answer



## KEY PRINCIPLE:

**Spiritual warfare is the battle for intimacy with God (1Co 13.12).**

### Pertinent Passages:

2Cor. 10.3-5: For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does. 4 The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds. 5 We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up **against the knowledge of God**, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ.

Job 23.3: **If only I knew where to find him; if only I could go to his dwelling!**

Phil. 3.10: I want **to know Christ** and the power of his resurrection and the fellowship of sharing in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death...

Psa. 84.2: My soul yearns, even faints, for the courts of the LORD; **my heart and my flesh cry out for the living God.**

Mat. 5.8: Blessed are the pure in heart, for **they will see God.**

Eph. 3.10,11: His intent was that now, through the church, the manifold wisdom of God should be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly realms, according to his eternal purpose which he accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord.

### 1. When disaster befalls him and relief is delayed, Job asks the following questions:

- Why do you, God, make me suffer? (Job 7.17,20,21; 13.24)
- Why did you give me life in the first place? (Job 10.18)
- Why do the wicked prosper? (Job 21.7)

Job's questions are expressions of:

*The philosophical \_\_\_\_\_*

### 2. Philosophers and scholars admire the book of Job, but they commonly complain that:

*God \_\_\_\_\_ Job's questions.*

### 3. Secular scholars have failed to see that:

*\_\_\_\_\_ is the answer to Job's questions.*

### 4. In other words, God allowed all Job's trials to prepare Job for:

*A greater \_\_\_\_\_ of God.*

(Cf. the sufferings and revelations of the apostle John.)

### 5. Why don't secular scholars see this?

*Because it is \_\_\_\_\_  
(1 Corinthians 2.14).*

### 6. Why does a loving, omnipotent God allow evil in the world?

*To provide an effective arena for a full disclosure of \_\_\_\_\_  
and of \_\_\_\_\_  
(see Eph. 3.10,11).*



# Job's Destiny



## KEY PRINCIPLE:

The fruit of spiritual warfare is redemptive transformation.

### Pertinent Passages:

Job 6.24,25: "Teach me, and I will be quiet; show me where I have been wrong. How painful are honest words!"

James 5.16: Therefore confess your sins to each other and **pray for each other so that you may be healed.** The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.

Psa. 139.23,24: Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me, and **lead me in the way everlasting.**

Eph. 4.26-28 "In your anger do not sin": Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, and do not give the devil a foothold. **He who has been stealing must steal no longer, but must work, doing something useful with his own hands, that he may have something to share with those in need.**

John 8.32: Then you will know the truth, and **the truth will set you free.**

John 10.10: The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; **I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.**

Job's destiny, unforeseen by himself and his friends, was to have his life transformed into one of greater intimacy with God and greater influence in the community. God is calling me to join in His work of transformation involving:

### Individuals

- Myself:**
- Persons Under My Authority**
  - Children (Job 1.4,5)**
  - Employees**
  - Disciples**
- Persons Who Have Offended Me**
  - Friends (Job 42.10)**
  - Enemies (Mat. 5.44)**
- Persons I Am Burdened For**
  - Sick Individuals**
  - Poor Individuals**
  - Struggling Individuals**

### Corporate

#### **Local Groups, Organizations or Institutions**

- My City**
- An Ethnic Group**
- A Religious Group**
- An Economic Group**
- A Social Group**
- An Occupational Group**
- A Youth Gang**
- A Drug Network**
- A Prostitution Ring**
- Other:**

#### **Distant Groups, Organizations or Institutions**

- National Group**
- Tribal Group**
- Social Group**
- Balkan Slavery Network**
- Sudanese Slave Trade**
- African AIDS Orphans**

# The Seven Disciplines of Spiritual Warfare

**1. \_\_\_\_\_ (Eph. 1.20-23; 6.10-12)**

Our first step is to open our eyes to the biblical reality of the spiritual war and our spiritual need.



How are Christians like Ogres?

**2. \_\_\_\_\_ (John 1.12,13)**

Addresses personal vulnerability and involves:

*Receive Christ (John 1.12,13)*

*Receive the Holy Spirit (John 20.22)*

*Embrace The Truth (John 8.32)*

**3. \_\_\_\_\_ (Acts 17.30; Heb. 6.1; Rev. 3.19)**

Addresses personal footholds, and involves:

*Confession & restitution .*

**4. \_\_\_\_\_ (Ephesians 4.22-25, 28)**

Addresses personal vulnerability *and* God’s purpose to advance His Kingdom at the expense of the kingdom of darkness. It involves replacing:

*Wrong behaviors with \_\_\_\_\_*

*Theological lies with \_\_\_\_\_*

*Self-absorption with \_\_\_\_\_*

The first thing we may need to repent of is “shallow fellowship” in the church — the lack of *koinonia* that hinders us from confessing our sins to one another.

**5. \_\_\_\_\_ (2Corinthians 4.2; Leviticus 26.40)**

Addresses personal and generational bonds, including:

*Occultic affiliations and theological lies.*

**6. \_\_\_\_\_ (1Pet. 5.8,9)**

Addresses current attacks and oppressions, and involves:

*Discerning the enemy’s strategy.*

**7. \_\_\_\_\_ (Hebrews 13.15; Psalm 50.14,15,23)**

Addresses general attitude and our tendency toward self-absorption.

# Job's Disadvantage



## KEY PRINCIPLE:

Spiritual warfare involves seeing the invisible.

### Pertinent Passages:

Eph. 4.26,27: "In your anger do not sin": Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, and **do not give the devil a foothold.**

Job 33.14-19: **For God does speak — now one way, now another — though man may not perceive it.** In a dream, in a vision of the night, when deep sleep falls on men as they slumber in their beds, he may speak in their ears and terrify them with warnings, to turn man from wrongdoing and keep him from pride, to preserve his soul from the pit, his life from perishing by the sword. Or a man may be chastened on a bed of pain with constant distress in his bones...

2Cor. 6.16: What agreement is there between the temple of God and idols? For we are the temple of the living God. As God has said: "I will live with them and walk among them, and I will be their God, and they will be my people."

Matt. 24.4: Jesus answered: "Watch out that no one deceives you."

Col. 2.15: And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.

### The Secret Demonic Strategy Against Job

1. *Compromise the \_\_\_\_\_ (1.5)*
2. *Breach the \_\_\_\_\_ (1.10; and Psalm 125.1,2)*
3. *Stir up \_\_\_\_\_ (1.15,17)*
4. *Destroy \_\_\_\_\_ (1.16)*
5. *Kill \_\_\_\_\_ (1.19)*
6. *Bodily \_\_\_\_\_ (2.4-8)*
7. *Alienation of \_\_\_\_\_ (2.9)*
8. *Thoughts of \_\_\_\_\_ (2.9)*
9. *Innuendo to \_\_\_\_\_ (4.12-17)*
10. *Terrifying \_\_\_\_\_ (7.13-15)*
11. *Fear of divine \_\_\_\_\_ (6.4)*
12. *Condemnation by \_\_\_\_\_ (26.1-4; 32.18)*

## Seven Things Satan Doesn't Want Us To See

1. *Our minds are an \_\_\_\_\_*

Thoughts enter our minds from three sources:

- Ourselves
- God
- Satan or his evil spirits

2. *God still \_\_\_\_\_ in various ways.*

See: *Hugging the Fire*, p. C-15.

3. \_\_\_\_\_ *are troubling the church around the world.*

4. *Christians \_\_\_\_\_ by demons in various ways.*

5. *Incomplete repentance provides a \_\_\_\_\_ in the life of the believer.*

See Ezekiel 33.12-20 and Psalm 81.13-16.

6. *In Christ, we have \_\_\_\_\_ demonic spirits.*

**What are the implications of Eph. 1.18-23?**

Eph. 1.18 I pray also that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, 19 and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is like the working of his mighty strength, 20 which he exerted in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, 21 far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every title that can be given, not only in the present age but also in the one to come. 22 And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, 23 which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.

7. *The \_\_\_\_\_ is the temple in which the Spirit delights to walk and work (2 Cor. 6.16; Eph. 2.19-22).*

- Strategic spiritual battles are usually won by armies rather than by lone soldiers.
- Willingness to receive correction from others is a key of spiritual warfare.

# Job's Battleground



## KEY PRINCIPLE:

**Spiritual warfare involves taking ground and making it sacred.**

### Pertinent Passages:

Acts 2.17: "In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams...."

Ex. 3.5: "Do not come any closer," God said. "Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy ground."

1Tim. 4.4,5: For everything God created is good, and nothing is to be rejected if it is received with thanksgiving, because it is consecrated by the word of God and prayer.

1Cor. 7.14: For the unbelieving husband has been sanctified through his wife, and the unbelieving wife has been sanctified through her believing husband. Otherwise your children would be unclean, but as it is, they are holy.

Eph. 4.26-28 "In your anger do not sin": Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, and **do not give the devil a foothold.** He who has been stealing must steal no longer, but must work, doing something useful with his own hands, that he may have something to share with those in need.

## 1. SPIRITUAL DOMAINS ARE FIRST MORAL, THEN SPATIAL.

## 2. HOW DO WE CREATE SACRED SPACE?

*(John 17.17; Eph. 5.26; 1Tim. 4.3-5)*

## 3. HOW DO WE CREATE IMMORAL SPACE?

*(Num. 35.33; Psalm 106.38; Isaiah 24.5; Jer. 3.2,9)*

## 4. WHAT IS CHRIST'S PRAYER FOR US?

*(See p. C - 9.)*

## 5. IS THERE ANY HINT OF JOB HAVING STRAYED INTO IMMORAL SPACE?

*See commentary.*

# Establishing Sacred Ground

## 1. THANKSGIVING & PRAISE

List some things that you thank and praise God for today (Psalm 50.23). Where are the moral spaces where you should be expressing thanksgiving and praise?:

## 2. PRAYER

What are your current prayer priorities? Where are the moral spaces where you should be praying:

## 3. PROCLAIM TRUTH

Where are the moral spaces of your life where truth needs to be proclaimed, and what are the truths that you should proclaim in them?:

# Job's Temptation



## KEY PRINCIPLE:

**Our most persistent temptation is to disengage from God.**

Our adversary endeavors to distance our hearts from God through distractions and disappointments. The more we pursue God, the more Satan will seek to separate us from God by a mixture of trials and theological lies. Here are ten powerful lies we need to recognize:

1. *You've sown what you are reaping (Job 4.7,8).*
2. *There is no \_\_\_\_\_ (Job 17.15).*
3. *There is no way to get \_\_\_\_\_ before God (Job 9.25-35).*
4. *If God really understood our problems he would \_\_\_\_\_ our little sins (Job 7).*
5. *There is no deeper \_\_\_\_\_ for our trials (contra Job 33.19-30).*
6. *Our sins don't \_\_\_\_\_ God (Job 35.6-8).*
7. *Life is not worth living if we don't have \_\_\_\_\_ (Job 3.23).*
8. *God has \_\_\_\_\_ me (Job 19.6).*
9. *There is no \_\_\_\_\_ (Job 19.7)*
10. *We can save \_\_\_\_\_ (contra Job 40.14).*

## Pertinent Passages:

3John 1.4: I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth.

Psalm 130.4: But there is forgiveness with You, That You may be feared.

Psa. 27.8: My heart says of you, "Seek his face!" Your face, LORD, I will seek.

Rom. 8.28,29: And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. 29 For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the likeness of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among

**I did it my way!**



The temptation to withdraw from God often comes at the point when we discover that we can neither manipulate God nor control the circumstances of our lives. (Consider Job’s bitter reaction after 7 days of God’s inaction.) Also, we become disappointed with God when we discover that our righteousness does not guarantee immunity from casualties in the spiritual battle (See Job 30.25,26, where he complains, “Have I not wept for those in trouble? Has not my soul grieved for the poor? Yet when I hoped for good, evil came; when I looked for light, then came darkness.”) Before we know it, *we have begun to accuse God in our hearts* (Job 40.2). If such disappointments don’t turn us from God, Satan can often induce us to disengage from God by getting us to focus on *an intermediate enemy*. (Job passed this test with respect to the Chaldeans and Sabeans, but was sorely distracted from God by his supposed friends.)

**Application**

**My disappointments with God that need to be yielded up to Him without further delay are:**

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**I have been distracted from God by the intermediate enemies of:**

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- 2.

# Job's Healing



## KEY PRINCIPLE:

Divine healing is normally a corporate battle.

### Pertinent Passages:

James 5.13-20: Is any one of you in trouble? He should pray. Is anyone happy? Let him sing songs of praise. 14 Is any one of you sick? He should call the elders of the church to pray over him and anoint him with oil in the name of the Lord. **15 And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise him up. If he has sinned, he will be forgiven. 16 Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed.** The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.

17 Elijah was a man just like us. He prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the land for three and a half years. 18 Again he prayed, and the heavens gave rain, and the earth produced its crops.

19 My brothers, if one of you should wander from the truth and someone should bring him back, 20 remember this: Whoever turns a sinner from the error of his way will save him from death and cover over a multitude of sins.

### 1. THE PRAYER OF FAITH IS:

*A prayer without \_\_\_\_\_  
(James 1.5-8; Mark 11.22-25).*

### 2. HOW CAN WE PRAY WITHOUT DOUBT?

*By first discerning \_\_\_\_\_  
(1 Kings 18; 1 John 5.14,15)*

### 3. HOW CAN WE DISCERN GOD'S WILL FOR A SICK PERSON?

- *By \_\_\_\_\_ before God in repentance and confession (James 4.6-10);*
- *By \_\_\_\_\_ the sick person regarding spiritual factors in the illness (James 5.15,16);*
- *By \_\_\_\_\_ through the gifts of fellow believers (1 Cor. 12.7-10).*

### 4. WHAT SHOULD WE DO IF THE PERSON WE PRAY FOR DOESN'T GET HEALED?

*(See p. C - 54.)*

**5. WHAT CAN WE LEARN FROM JOB'S HEALING?**

- *Some illness is \_\_\_\_\_, for which we can expect healing as we repent of footholds and assert the authority of Christ.*
- *God intends that we be \_\_\_\_\_ in the experience of sickness and healing. Even if our illness is demonic and we are godly Christians, God is probably still calling us to repentance!*
- *God probably intends to reveal Himself to us in a greater way through the trial of our illness. He most certainly intends that the illness \_\_\_\_\_ from temporal pleasures and priorities, and that it direct our hearts to our spiritual inheritance and divine commission..*
- *God is normally dealing with \_\_\_\_\_ through our illness, and healing may not come until He has accomplished His purposes in the people around us.*
- *God intends that our illness deepen our commitment to intercession for others. Our own restoration may not come until \_\_\_\_\_ to others for Christ's sake.*

# Job's Apocalypse



## KEY PRINCIPLE:

Effective warfare requires that we gaze upon the Lord.

### Pertinent Passages:

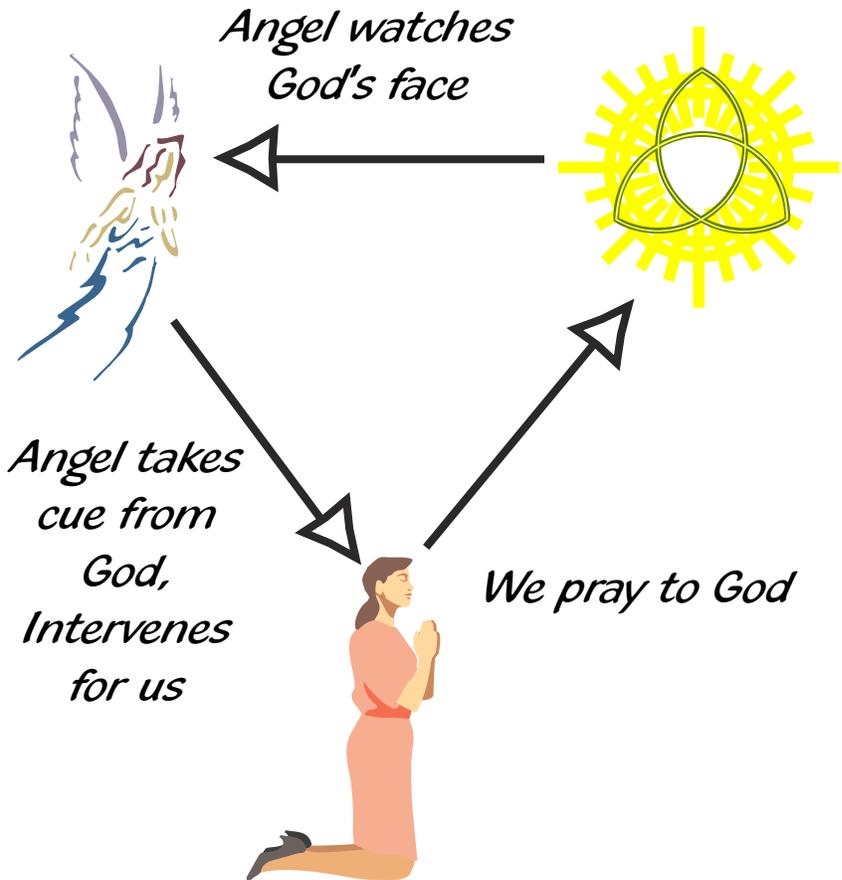
2Cor. 3.18: And **we, who with unveiled faces all reflect the Lord's glory, are being transformed** into his likeness with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.

John 12.24-26: I tell you the truth, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds. 25 The man who loves his life will lose it, while the man who hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. 26 Whoever serves me must follow me; and **where I am, my servant also will be.** My Father will honor the one who serves me.

Matt. 18.10: "See that you do not look down on one of these little ones. For I tell you that their angels in heaven **always see the face of my Father** in heaven."

John 5.19: Jesus gave them this answer: "I tell you the truth, the Son can do nothing by himself; **he can do only what he sees his Father doing,** because whatever the Father does the Son also does."

## A LESSON FROM THE ANGELS



...AND THE LESSON IS:

**LIKE JOB, MOSES, THE ANGELS  
AND JESUS,**

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**IN ORDER TO MINISTER  
IN HIS POWER.**

**HOW ON EARTH DO WE SEE GOD?**

1. *We pursue \_\_\_\_\_ (Matthew 5.8).*
2. *We endeavor to \_\_\_\_\_ (John 12.26).*

**WHERE IS JESUS TODAY?**

1. *Wherever there are \_\_\_\_\_ like Job (Mat. 18.20).*
2. *With people who are \_\_\_\_\_ (Psalm 34.18; Matthew 25.31-46)*
3. *With \_\_\_\_\_ (Psalm 68.5; James 1.27).*
4. *With \_\_\_\_\_ (Psalm 145.18)*
5. *With the \_\_\_\_\_ (James 4.7,8).*
6. *With those engaging in \_\_\_\_\_ work (Mat. 28.19,20).*

**WHAT'S THE FRUIT OF BEING WHERE JESUS IS?**

1. *\_\_\_\_\_ as He works;*
2. *Being \_\_\_\_\_ as we reflect God's character;*
3. *Effective \_\_\_\_\_ as we learn God's ways:*

1John 5.14,15: This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. 15 And if we know that he hears us — whatever we ask — we know that we have what we asked of him.

Matt. 18.18 -20: "I tell you the truth, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. 19 "Again, I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything you ask for, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. 20 For where two or three come together in my name, there am I with them."

# Job's Influence



## KEY PRINCIPLE:

**Demonic resistance increases with the Church's influence.**

### Pertinent Passages:

1 Peter 4.12-14: Dear friends, do not be surprised at the painful trial you are suffering, as though something strange were happening to you. 13 But rejoice that you participate in the sufferings of Christ, so that you may be overjoyed when his glory is revealed. 14 If you are insulted because of the name of Christ, you are blessed, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests on you.

Rev. 12.12: "Therefore rejoice, you heavens and you who dwell in them! But woe to the earth and the sea, because the devil has gone down to you! He is filled with fury, because he knows that his time is short."

John 17.23: I in them and you in me. May they be brought to complete unity to let the world know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.

Rom. 15.5: May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you a spirit of unity among yourselves as you follow Christ Jesus,

Eph. 4.3: Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.

## 1. WHY DID SATAN TARGET JOB?

*Because "He was the greatest man among all the people of the East."  
(Job 1.3)*

## 2. WHAT IS SATAN'S GREATEST DECEPTION?

\_\_\_\_\_

Job bemoaned the loss of his community influence in chs. 29 and 30, not realizing that Satan was the saboteur. Had he recognized the devil's footprints, a light would have come on in his mind...

## 3. WHY ARE DEMONIC MANIFESTATIONS MORE COMMON IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES?

*Polytheistic \_\_\_\_\_ set the stage for demons to impress and intimidate.*

## 4. WHY ARE DEMONIC MANIFESTATIONS INCREASING IN THE USA?

- *We are \_\_\_\_\_ through sin and Occultic practices.*

- *The church is being revived and overt demonic manifestations are a \_\_\_\_\_.*

**5. BESIDES INTIMIDATION, WHAT DO DEMONS HOPE TO ACCOMPLISH IN THE CHURCH BY OVERT MANIFESTATIONS?**

**6. WHAT IS THE MOST INTIMIDATING THING ABOUT DEALING WITH DEMONS?**

*The realization that*

\_\_\_\_\_.

**7. WHAT'S THE GOOD NEWS ABOUT DEMONIC RESISTANCE?**

*It signals a \_\_\_\_\_ ahead  
for the believer.*

**8. WHAT IS THE KEY TO RESTORING THE CHURCH'S INFLUENCE IN THE COMMUNITY?**

*(See Job 42.10-11.)*

# Job's Perseverance



## KEY PRINCIPLE:

The secret of perseverance in spiritual warfare is a person.

### Pertinent Passages:

James 5.11: As you know, we consider blessed those who have persevered. **You have heard of Job's perseverance** and have seen what the Lord finally brought about. The Lord is full of compassion and mercy.

Job 16.18: "O earth, do not cover my blood; may my cry never be laid to rest!

Job 16.19: Even now my witness is in heaven; my advocate is on high.

Job 16.20: [F. Delitzsch, trans.] Though the mockers of me are my friends—To Eloah mine eyes pour forth tears...

Job 16.21 [John J. Owens, trans.]: that he would **maintain the right of a man with God**, and that of a son of man with his neighbor.

Job 19.25, 26: I know that my Redeemer lives, and that in the end he will stand upon the earth. 26 And after my skin has been destroyed, yet in my flesh I will see God...

Have you ever felt like giving up on trying to do what's right? Giving up on defending the truth or even giving up in the unending fight against sin? We all know those temptations...

### WHAT TEMPTED JOB TO GIVE UP?

*1. Loss of entire estate.*

*2. Death of children.*

*3. Alienation of spouse.*

*4. Accusation by friends.*

*5. Loss of community influence.*

*6. Continuing demonic harassment.*

*7. Sense of divine abandonment.*

How would we stand up under the attack by Job's friends? They relentlessly pressed him to admit his wickedness, but Job tenaciously maintained his innocence. Job did not claim sinlessness (cf. **13.26; 14.15-17**), but only that his integrity was intact before God and that his calamities were not warranted by some secret immorality.

As his accusers verbally pushed him up against a wall of slander and innuendo, Job gave notice that he would fight for his integrity *beyond the grave* if need be, calling upon the earth to not let his righteous life go unvindicated (16.18). Job then called upon his ultimate witness...

**WHAT CHARACTERIZED JOB'S STAR WITNESS?**

1. *Jurisdiction* \_\_\_\_\_.
2. *Authority to arbitrate between* \_\_\_\_\_.
3. *Authority to arbitrate between* \_\_\_\_\_.

Bildad the Shuhite took offense at Job's defense (18.3): "why are we **regarded as cattle?**" He pointedly told Job that it is the wicked (18.5) whose offspring all die (18.19). **Such sweeping generalities have gotten Job's "friends" in trouble before (Job 4.7,8).**

**WHERE DOES JOB TURN IN HIS PIT OF GRIEF AND ABANDONMENT?**

*To the one thing that cannot be taken from him,*  
\_\_\_\_\_.

**WHAT CHARACTERIZED JOB'S REDEEMER?**

1. *Life in Himself, i.e.,* \_\_\_\_\_ *(John 5.26).*
2. *Inseparability; His love* \_\_\_\_\_ *(Job 13.15; Romans 8.38,39).*
3. *Coming to* \_\_\_\_\_ *and set all things right (Job 19.25; Acts 3.21).*

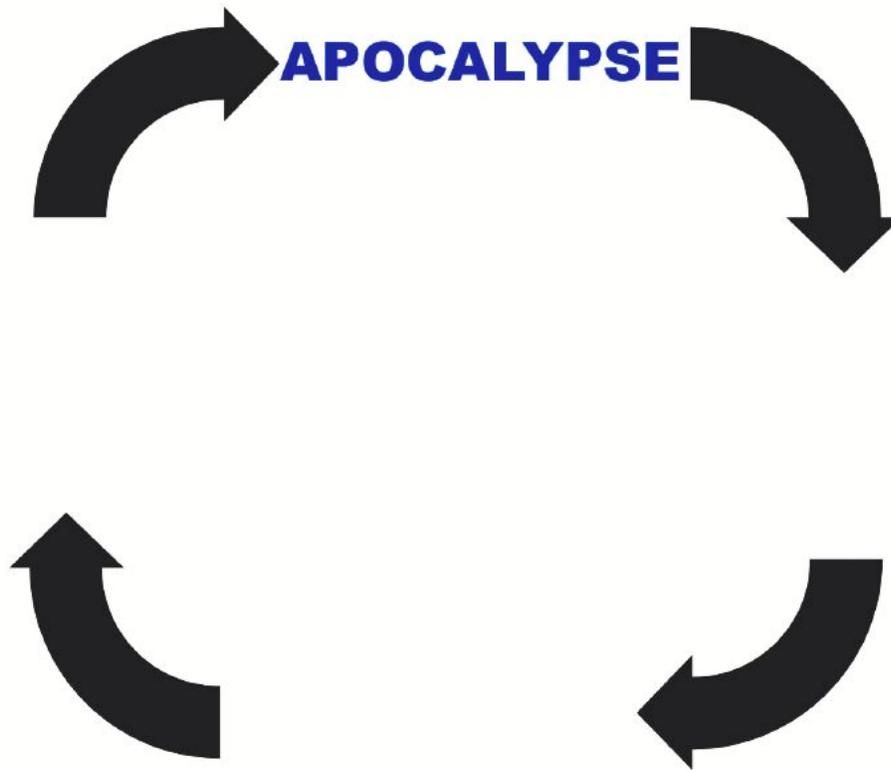
**IN OTHER WORDS, THE SECRET TO JOB'S PERSEVERANCE IS:**



**KEY PRINCIPLE:**

**There is a battle that I must fight so that my people can win the war.**

## The Sanctification Cycle



**Pertinent Passages:**

Matt. 16.18 ... I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it.

John 14.12 I tell you the truth, anyone who has faith in me will do what I have been doing. He will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father.

1. The practical question arising from the "Sanctification Cycle" is: what is the "more fruitful ministry" God is calling me to?
2. What is the highest priority spiritual battle I'm called to engage in now?
3. Whose help can I enlist to help me fight this top priority battle?
4. What sacrifices do I need to make now to win this battle? (Luke 14.28-30)

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5. What thanksgiving can I offer to prepare the way for victory?

I believe that the greatest trick of the devil is not to get us into some sort of evil but rather have us wasting time.

— Donald Miller in *Blue Like Jazz*