



DEFENDERS OF THE FAITH
Part 9 – Job Endured Adversity
Don't Let Culture Cancel Your Faith

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1. Adversity happens to _____ people.

Job 1:1-3, (NASB), “1 There was a man in the land of Uz whose name was **Job**; and that man was **blameless, upright, fearing God** and turning away from evil. **2 Seven** sons and **three** daughters were born to him. **3** His possessions also were 7,000 **sheep**, 3,000 **camels**, 500 yoke of **oxen**, 500 female **donkeys**, and very many **servants**; and that man was the **greatest** of all the men of the east.”

Job 1:8-12, (NASB), “**8** The Lord said to Satan, “Have you considered **My servant Job**? For there is no one like him on the earth, a **blameless** and **upright** man, **fearing God** and turning away from **evil**.” **9** Then Satan answered the Lord, “Does Job fear God for **nothing**? **10** Have You not made a **hedge** about 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 put forth Your hand now and touch all that he has; he will surely **curse** You to Your face.” **12** Then the Lord said to Satan, “Behold, **all that he has is in your power**, only do not put forth your hand on him.” So, Satan departed from the presence of the Lord.

2. Accept _____ along with blessings.

Job 1:20-22, (NASB), **20** Then Job arose and tore his robe and shaved his head, and he fell to the ground and **worshiped**. **21** He said, ‘Naked I came from my mother’s womb, And naked I shall return there. **The Lord gave and the Lord has taken away**. Blessed be the name of the Lord.’ **22** Through all this **Job did not sin nor did he blame God**.

Job 2:3-10 (NASB), “**6** So the Lord said to Satan, “Behold, he is in your power, only **spare his life**.”... In all this **Job did not sin with his lips**.”

Psalms 119:71-73 (NLT), “My **suffering was good for me, for it taught me to pay attention** to your decrees. **72**) Your instructions are more valuable to me than millions in gold and silver. **73**) You made me; you created me. Now **give me the sense to follow your commands**.”

3. Trust God in the _____.

James 1:12 (NIV), “¹²Blessed is the one who **perseveres under trial** because, having stood the test, that person will receive the **crown of life** that the Lord has promised to **those who love him**.”

Job 19:25 (NASB), “As for me, I know that **my Redeemer lives**, and at the last He will take His stand on the earth.”

Job 23:8-12 (NASB), “**10** But He knows the way I take; **When He has tried me, I shall come forth as gold**. (11) My foot has held **fast** to His path; I have **kept** His way and not turned aside. (12) I have not departed from the command of His lips; I have treasured the words of His mouth more than my necessary food.”

4. Never lose _____ in God’s deliverance.

Job 42:10-13; & 16 (NIV), “**10** After Job had **prayed** for his friends, the Lord **restored** his fortunes and gave him **twice** as much as he had before. **11** All his brothers and sisters and everyone who had known him before came and ate with him in his house. They comforted and consoled him over all the trouble the Lord had brought on him, and each one gave him a piece of silver and a gold ring. **12** **The Lord blessed the latter part of Job’s life more than the former part**.”

2 Corinthians 1:8-9 (NLT), “**8** We think you ought to know, dear brothers and sisters, about the trouble we went through in the province of Asia. We were **crushed and overwhelmed beyond our ability to endure**, and we thought we would **never live through it**. **9** In fact, **we** expected to die. But as a result, we **stopped** relying on **ourselves** and learned to **rely only on God**, who raises the dead.”
