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Lesson 2
Satan speaks to God about Job

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1. Satan speaks to Eve
2. Satan speaks to God about Job
3. Satan speaks to Jesus the Son of God
4. Resisting Satan's voice today

Satan Speaks To Eve

1. Satan denies the goodness of God
2. Satan denies the severity of God
3. Satan slanders the motive of God

Introduction

- The second time he speaks, Satan slanders man, specifically Job, to God
- Main idea of Satan's attack against Job is, "Does Job fear God for nothing?"
- If all material blessings and health were taken away, would Job still fear God?
- Satan affirms he would not
- God affirms Job's righteousness

Introduction

- God permits Satan to take away Job's family, wealth and health but limits him from taking Job's life

Job A Righteous Man Materially Blessed By God

Job 1:1 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.

Job 1:2 Seven sons and three daughters were born to him.

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Job 1:3 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.

God Declares Job's Righteousness To Satan

Job 1:8 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."

Satan Accuses Job of Fearing God Because He Is Materially Blessed

Job 1:9 Then Satan answered the LORD, "Does Job fear God for nothing?

Job 1:10 "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.

Job 1:11 "But put forth Your hand now and touch all that he has; he will surely curse You to Your face."

Satan Accuses Job of Fearing God Because He Is Materially Blessed

- Satan admits God's goodness by blessing Job with great material blessings
- At the same time, Satan claims God is paying Job to serve Him in material blessings
- Challenge and slander against Job, is he serving God for material things or because he fears and loves God?

God Permits Satan To Destroy Job's Children and Material Blessings

Job 1:12 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.

Job 1:13 Now on the day when his sons and his daughters were eating and drinking wine in their oldest brother's house,

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Job 1:14 a messenger came to Job and said, "The oxen were plowing and the donkeys feeding beside them,

Job 1:15 and the Sabeans attacked and took them. They also slew the servants with the edge of the sword, and I alone have escaped to tell you."

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Job 1:16 While he was still speaking, another also came and said, "The fire of God fell from heaven and burned up the sheep and the servants and consumed them, and I alone have escaped to tell you."

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Job 1:17 While he was still speaking, another also came and said, "The Chaldeans formed three bands and made a raid on the camels and took them and slew the servants with the edge of the sword, and I alone have escaped to tell you."

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Job 1:18 While he was still speaking, another also came and said, "Your sons and your daughters were eating and drinking wine in their oldest brother's house,

Job 1:19 and behold, a great wind came from across the wilderness and struck the four corners of the house, and it fell on the young people and they died, and I alone have escaped to tell you."

After Losing His Wealth and Family, Job Still Serves God

Job 1:20 Then Job arose and tore his robe and shaved his head, and he fell to the ground and worshiped.

Job 1:21 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."

Job 1:22 Through all this Job did not sin nor did he blame God.

God Declares Job's Righteousness Again To Satan

Job 2:3 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. And he still holds fast his integrity, although you incited Me against him to ruin him without cause."

Satan Accuses Job of Fearing God Because He Has Good Health

Job 2:4 Satan answered the LORD and said, "Skin for skin! Yes, all that a man has he will give for his life.

Job 2:5 "However, put forth Your hand now, and touch his bone and his flesh; he will curse You to Your face."

Satan Accuses Job of Fearing God Because He Has Good Health

- Satan's first slander, Job serves God only for material things
- Now, Satan's second slander, Job serves God only because he has good health
- God permits Satan to take away Job's health but not to take his life
- Job, not knowing the role of Satan, clings to God even when he does not understand His purpose

God Permits Satan To Destroy Job's Health

Job 2:6 So the LORD said to Satan, "Behold, he is in your power, only spare his life."

Job 2:7 Then Satan went out from the presence of the LORD and smote Job with sore boils from the sole of his foot to the crown of his head.

Job 2:8 And he took a potsherd to scrape himself while he was sitting among the ashes.

After Losing His Health, Job Still Serves God

Job 2:9 Then his wife said to him, "Do you still hold fast your integrity? Curse God and die!"

Job 2:10 But he said to her, "You speak as one of the foolish women speaks. Shall we indeed accept good from God and not accept adversity?" In all this Job did not sin with his lips.

Job's Friends Agree With Satan

Job 4:6 "Is not your fear *of God* your confidence, And the integrity of your ways your hope?

Job 4:7 "Remember now, who *ever* perished being innocent? Or where were the upright destroyed?

Job 4:8 "According to what I have seen, those who plow iniquity And those who sow trouble harvest it.

Job's Friends Agree With Satan

- If you are materially blessed, you are righteous
- If you have no material blessings and health, you are sinful
- But Job is a righteous man who is suffering having his faith tested

Job Chooses To Serve God Whose Approval He Seeks Above All

Job 19:25 "As for me, I know that my Redeemer lives, And at the last He will take His stand on the earth.

Job 19:26 "Even after my skin is destroyed, Yet from my flesh I shall see God;

Job 19:27 Whom I myself shall behold, And whom my eyes will see and not another. My heart faints within me!

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Job 23:10 "But He knows the way I take; *When* He has tried me, I shall come forth as gold.

Job 23:11 "My foot has held fast to His path; I have kept His way and not turned aside.

Job 23:12 "I have not departed from the command of His lips; I have treasured the words of His mouth more than my necessary food.

The Lord Restores Job's Health, Children and Wealth

- Job served the Lord out of a desire to please Him above all not because he had material things or health
- Job had no idea about Satan's role
- In suffering, Job patiently trusted the Lord
- The Lord restores Job's blessings
- Do we serve the Lord desiring to please Him above all regardless of material blessings or good health?

The Lord Restores Job's Health, Children and Wealth

Job 42:1 Then Job answered the LORD and said,

Job 42:2 "I know that You can do all things, And that no purpose of Yours can be thwarted.

Job 42:3 'Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge?' "Therefore I have declared that which I did not understand, Things too wonderful for me, which I did not know."

The Lord Restores Job's Health, Children and Wealth

Job 42:4 'Hear, now, and I will speak; I will ask You, and You instruct me.'

Job 42:5 "I have heard of You by the hearing of the ear; But now my eye sees You;

Job 42:6 Therefore I retract, And I repent in dust and ashes."

The Lord Restores Job's Health, Children and Wealth

Job 42:10 The LORD restored the fortunes of Job when he prayed for his friends, and the LORD increased all that Job had twofold.

Job 42:13 He had seven sons and three daughters.

Why Do We Serve The Lord?

2Ti 4:6 For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come.

2Ti 4:7 I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith;

2Ti 4:8 in the future there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day; and not only to me, but also to all who have loved His appearing.

Satan Speaks To God About Job

1. Satan accuses Job of fearing God because he is materially blessed
2. Satan accuses Job of fearing God because he has good health
3. Job chooses to serve God whose approval he seeks above all