

The _____
BIG QUESTION
_____ *in Suffering*

THE BOOK OF JOB

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6. Job is supported in grief by three friends (2:11–13).

The main point *of Job 1–2*

God is worthy of your praise,
even when he's allowed
everything to be taken from you.

“This book serves...[to combat the idea] that God’s people follow Him for their own ends...and to show that His people follow Him for love; for the excellency they find in Him, and in His service. Though He strip them naked of all they have, yet they will cleave to Him.”

— Joseph Caryl, ca. 1675

Application

Every trial that comes into your life is controlled by God and intended by God to give you an opportunity to do what you were created to do—glorify God.

To put it negatively (and bluntly):

What could happen to you that would make you *curse* God?

Conclusion

The book of Job, just like the rest of the Old Testament, shows us how desperately we need Jesus.

Humans need more than a good example of suffering. We need a substitute! We need someone who can suffer in our place, for our sin.