

Studies in Job – Part 3:
“Job Worships God”
Job 1:13-22

The Christian worships God at all times and in all circumstances.

1. The Circumstances of Job’s Worship (context vv. 13-19)

(1) God has challenged and “baited” Satan. v. 8

(2) Job has suffered the loss of everything!

- At Satan’s hand, but by God’s permission!

- The loss of all of Job’s possessions and the loss of all of his children vv.13-19
 - The four announcements of calamity come in rapid succession! - Increasing severity!

- Job will now worship God in a new way!

2. The State of Job’s Heart in Worship v. 20

(1) His great Grief *“Then Job arose, tore his robe, and shaved his head and fell to the ground and worshiped.”*

- The tearing of his robe
- The shaving of his head – he humbles himself

(2) His immediate Submission

- Submission: This is always part and parcel of true worship; without such submission there is no true worship!

(3) His great Desire: To seek God and to worship Him!

Job is confessing here what is ultimate. God is ultimate, and the worship of God is ultimate. All other things cannot compare with or rival this great priority!

3. Job’s “Hymn of Worship” v. 21

(1) Job confesses his own mortality

- How little is man;
how very little he can really control!

*“And 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.’”*

- Here we see who Job is. What God has pronounced about him is more clearly displayed.

(2) Job Confesses God’s Sovereignty and His Right to Everything

-1- God’s sovereign hand

“The LORD gave, and the LORD has taken away”

- This affliction ultimately decreed by God
- Satan has instigated it, but God’s hand is behind it; God’s hand is ultimate in it.

-2- God’s right to everything

- I enter this world possessing nothing and I will depart possessing nothing
- All that I possess is from God’s hand

(3) He Confesses God’s Goodness and Wisdom in All Things

“Blessed be the name of the LORD.”

-1- The Lord is not to be charged with wrong at any point!

-2- The Lord’s name to be blessed at all times and in every circumstance!

- God is good – always good
- God is wise in all that He ordains.

Further Application: