

**THE BOOK OF JOB
JOB 22**

INTRODUCTION:

1. After Job defends his innocence in response Bildad and Zophar, Eliphaz doubles down on belief that Job is wicked.
2. **JOB 2.1-3:** Being righteous has no impact on God.
3. Eliphaz, though falsely applied to Job, offers some help to those who are not right with God.

I. IDENTITY OF SIN

- A. Eliphaz identifies the sin in Job's life.
 1. **JOB 22.4,5:** His suffering was not from righteousness.
 2. **JOB 22.6-9:** Job ignored the needs of the poor and disenfranchised. (Ex. 22.26,27; Deut. 15.7; Isa. 1.17)
 3. **JOB 22.10:** *"Therefore snares are all around you."*
- B. God expects His people to help those in need.
 1. Unacceptable worship. (Isa. 58.7,8,3)
 2. Unloving behavior. (1 John 3.17; Gal. 6.10)

II. INSIGHT INTO GOD'S KNOWLEDGE

- A. Eliphaz offers insight into the absolute knowledge of God.
 1. **JOB 22.12-14:** *"And you say, 'What does God know?'"*
 2. **JOB 22.15-20:** You are living like those before the flood.
- B. God knows everything about your life.
 1. **PSALM 139.1-6:** Everything you do, think, and say.
 2. **JEREMIAH 17.9,10:** God knows your heart.
 3. **JAMES 1.22-25:** How can we see ourselves as God does?

III. IMPLORATION FOR JOB

- A. Eliphaz implores Job to be reconciled with God.
 1. **JOB 22.21,22:** Listen to the word of God.
 2. **JOB 22.23-30:** Repent of your chosen lifestyle.
- B. God implores you to return to Him.
 1. **EZEKIEL 33.11:** *"Turn, turn from your evil ways!"*
 2. **2 CORINTHIANS 5.20:** Christ pleads through us.

CONCLUSION: If you are lost, God provides a way home.

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-Mark 16.15

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MEETING TIMES:

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS : 9:00 AM
SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP: 9:50 AM
SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP: 6:00 PM
WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE CLASS 7:00 PM

THREE THINGS FAITH WILL DO

Having faith is one of the essentials of being right with God. The Holy Spirit tells us that *"without faith, it is impossible to please God"* (Heb. 11.6). In Romans 5.1, we read about what faith can do for us. When you have the same kind of obedient faith that Abraham had (Rom. 4.12), there are three benefits we will enjoy.

First, faith will make us right with God. Romans 5.1 tells us that *"having been justified by faith"* The concept behind "justification" is to be without sin. Because of an obedient faith, we can be seen by God as one who has no sin in his life.

Second, faith will bring us peace with God. Romans 5.1 goes on to say that by faith, *we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.*" Before Jesus, we were enemies of God (Rom. 5.10). But because of the blood of Jesus and our faith in Him, we who were enemies now enjoy peace.

Third, faith will give us access to the grace of God. Grace is the combination of God's love, mercy, and kindness (Eph. 2.4-7). When we read about being saved by grace, we are reading about how God offered salvation to us because of how He feels about us. But how do we access that grace? Romans 5.1 says that when we have an obedient faith in Jesus, *"we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand."* That's what faith can do for you! CLP

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JESUS: KING OF RIGHTEOUSNESS AND PEACE
HEBREWS 7:1,2

INTRODUCTION:

1. Question: What does Jesus mean to you?
2. Observation: Christianity is about both our fellowship with God and our relationship with Jesus. (John 14.6)
3. Suggestion: To understand your fellowship with God through a relationship with Jesus, study the book of Hebrews.

I. THE BOOK OF HEBREWS IS ABOUT JESUS

- A. The thesis statement tells us what Jesus means to us.
 1. **HEBREWS 8.1:** *“Now this is the main point”*
 2. **HEBREWS 8.1:** *“We have such a High Priest”*
 3. **HEBREWS 8.1:** *“a Minister of the sanctuary”*
- B. Consider what Jesus can mean to you.
 1. **HEBREWS 4.14:** Where Jesus is now.
 2. **HEBREWS 4.14:** Who Jesus is.
 3. **HEBREWS 4.15:** What Jesus is.
 4. **HEBREWS 4.15:** The way Jesus is.
 5. **HEBREWS 4.16:** Why Jesus is who He is

II. THE KING OF RIGHTEOUSNESS

- A. Jesus is the King of Righteousness.
 1. **HEBREWS 7.1,2:** *“translated ‘king of righteousness’”*
 2. Jesus never had a sinful thought, word, or action. (2 Cor. 5.21; Heb. 4.15; 1 Pet. 2.22; Acts 3.14; 1 John 2.1)
- B. As followers of Jesus, we are to be righteous.
 1. How to live righteously? (Matt. 5.8; Heb. 10.38)
 2. The righteous are separate from the world. (James 4.4)

III. THE KING OF PEACE

- A. Jesus is the King of Peace
 1. **HEBREWS 7.2:** *“king of Salem meaning, ‘king of peace.’”*
 2. Jesus brought us peace of mind. (John 14.27; 16.33)
 3. Jesus brought us peace with each other. (Eph. 2.14)
 4. Jesus brought us peace with God. (Rom. 5.1)
- B. As followers of Jesus, we are to foster peace.
 1. Are you a peacemaker? (Matt. 5.9)
 2. Peace with the world. (Rom. 12.18)
 3. Peace with brethren. (Rom. 14.17; Eph. 4.3)

CONCLUSION: Jesus is always your High Priest.

TAKE THE NAME OF JESUS WITH YOU

Over the last several weeks, we have been giving attention to the name of Jesus. Jesus has been given a number of different names, and each one carries a nuance that helps us understand His nature and purpose. Remembering what His name means helps me to remember what He means to me. So as I live my life, I take the name of Jesus with me for encouragement, motivation, and strength.

In Isaiah 9.6, we find a Messianic prophecy which contains five names of the One who would be born as Jesus. It tells us that *“For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.”* Notice that the first name given to Jesus is “Wonderful.”

The word translated as “wonderful” is the Hebrew word *pele*. It is defined by Mounce, Strong, and other Hebrew scholars as “miracle, an astounding thing.” Found only thirteen times in the Old Testament, most of the time it is used in reference to the miracles of God. For example, in Exodus 15, you will find the song of Moses sung in praise to God. He makes reference to God parting the Red Sea and saving Israel from the pursuing Egyptians. In verse 11, Moses says, *“Who is like You, O LORD, among the gods? Who is like You, glorious in holiness, Fearful in praises, doing wonders?”* (Ex. 15.11).

Jesus is given a name that means miraculous. We might understand His name in a couple of different ways. First, He is given the name, “Wonderful” because of His miraculous birth. In Luke 1, an angel came to Mary to announce that *“you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a son”* (Luke 1.31). Naturally confused, Mary asked, *“How can this be, since I do not know a man?”* Mary has never been intimate with a man and therefore wondered how it could be possible for her to conceive a child. The angel explained that *“the Holy Spirit will come upon you”* (Luke 1.35; cf. Matt. 1.20).

Today, you hear about natural childbirth where a mother gives birth without medications or a doctor’s intervention. During labor, she just lets nature take its course. The birth of Jesus was not natural. It was supernatural. When people would see Jesus walking the streets of Nazareth, they were looking at a man who came into this world miraculously. He was a miracle who was born for the specific purpose of bringing hope to a world who was hopelessly lost in sin.

If you struggle with faith or question your relationship with God, take the name of Jesus with you. Keep in your mind the miraculous birth of Jesus as a reminder of the true nature of Jesus. His miraculous birth testifies that Jesus truly is the Son of God.

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