

Setting Your Heart on the Kingdom



JOB

When God Answers With Questions!

(The Principle of Seeing Beyond Human Reasoning)

Job 38 - 42

He was a desert prince...prominent and wealthy beyond measure. He was known by his countrymen as a man of great wisdom...righteous in all his ways. But when stricken with extreme tragedy and illness, Job ran out of answers! *His friends, who didn't have a clue as to the true battle (Job 1:7-12), gave their weak explanations for his suffering.* Seeing only with their natural minds of reason, they assumed he was reaping the consequences of hidden sin. *And Job, thinking from the same limited mindset, attempted to justify himself and prove them wrong.* On and on they quarreled until God stepped into Job's world.

Without warning, a massive tornado darkened the sky and descended upon Job. Horrified and powerless, he shrank in fear. *From the midst of this horrific whirlwind, the heart-stopping voice of God hurled flurries of questions revealing human ignorance.* "Where were you when I laid the foundations of the earth? Have you ever commanded the morning? Have the gates of death been revealed to you? Do you know the ordinances of heaven?" Job, stunned into silence, finally concluded that the reason for his suffering was far beyond his human reasoning.

When God asks questions, it's not because He doesn't know the answers. He's humbling prideful hearts and pressing minds to see beyond the natural. *Outside the limits of the human intellect lies a hostile world known to few...it's the conflict of the ages.* When God asks questions, He's opening your mind to that unseen world. To Cain He asked, "Why are you angry? Unless you do well, sin is crouching at the door, and its desire is for you." God revealed that the dynamic of sin is more than an act...it's an insatiable spirit hunting for souls (Gen. 4:6-7)! By asking, "Is anything too difficult for me?" He scolds fearful hearts that fail to comprehend His limitless power (Jer. 32:27). When Jesus asked, "Who do you say that I am?" He declared that until you know Him, you'll never know your identity or the power He gives you in the spirit realm (Matt. 16:15-19). *Whenever you encounter unexplainable sufferings, open your heart to God's Answers that are hidden within His Questions. Then you'll know how to fight the battle over your soul.*

Next: The Kingdom of God in the Psalms...In the Shadow of His Wings

