

The _____
BIG QUESTION
_____ *in Suffering*

THE BOOK OF JOB

JOB'S "CONCLUDING ARGUMENT"

Job 29—“I long for how life used to be.

Job 30—“My life right now is awful.”

Job 31—“I did nothing to deserve this.”

“Have I committed adultery?” (vv. 1-4, 9-12)

“Have I been deceptive?” (vv. 5-8)

“Have I mistreated those in my house?” (vv. 13-15)

“Have I failed to love my neighbors?” (vv. 16-23)

“Have I become covetous?” (vv. 24-28)

“Have I cursed others?” (vv. 29-34)

THE MAIN POINT OF JOB 29-31

Your suffering should lead you to examine yourself for sin, but, your suffering may have nothing to do with your sin.

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4. In times of blessing, don't let yourself get lax in godliness.

“I DID NOTHING TO DESERVE THIS.”

“God had set up Job
as his champion against Satan.
And though the champion is
bleeding from the scars of battle,
he *is* winning.”

Derek Thomas, *The Storm Breaks*