## **BIBLE DISCUSSION GROUP STUDY QUESTIONS**

In preparation for Sunday, March 23, 2008

Memory Passage: Job 19:25

**TODAY:** From your study this past week, what is one thing that impressed you that can be of help in your life?

### DAY 1 - ASK FOR INSIGHT

#### READ THE PASSAGE

Passage: Job 19:23-27

- (a) **Read Job 19:23-25.** In verses 23 and 24, what is Job's desire? How long does he want this record to last?
- (b) What was the psalmist's reason for recording truths about God in Psalm 102:18?
- (c) What does he want these to know about God and man (Psalm 102:10-13; also Psalm 102:23-28)? What glimpses of a future resurrection are seen in these verses?
- (d) What was Job's concern for his children (Job 1:1-5)?
- (e) Why should we teach the scriptures to our children (2 Timothy 3:14-17; 2 Timothy 1:5)?
- (f) Family: Read Job 19:23-25 and 2 Timothy 3:14-17. Talk about the importance of the Word of God for us. What is Job's concern about sharing what he knows about God? Pray for those who translate the scriptures into other languages. Also, pray for those who regularly distribute the scriptures. Finally, pray that God's Word would be a priority for your lives.

# DAY 2 - ASK FOR INSIGHT

#### READ THE PASSAGE

- (a) **Read Job 19:25-26.** How does Job describe his death in verse 26? What happens to the body when we die (Isaiah 58:8; Job 13:28)?
- (b) How does the hope of a physical resurrection give us joy instead of dread?
- (c) What happens the moment a Christian dies (2 Corinthians 5:8)? What confidence did this give Paul (Philippians 1:21)?
- (d) What struggle did Paul have even knowing this (Philippians 1:21-23)? Is this a struggle that every believer shares?
- (e) Read 2 Corinthians 5:1-7. What happens to our bodies when we die? What happens to our spirit? Read Romans 8:18-
- 23. What are we waiting for now?
- (f) Family: Read Job 19:25-26 and Philippians 1:21-23. Spend some time talking about how the death of a believer is different from that of a non-believer. Pray for someone who needs to know Christ as savior and Redeemer.

## DAY 3 - ASK FOR INSIGHT

# READ THE PASSAGE

- (a) **Read Job 19:25-27.** What was Job's confidence? What did he expect to happen *after* he died? *Whose eyes* would see God? How did that affect Job?
- (b) How and when is this going to happen (1 Corinthians 15:50-53)?
- (c) What concern did some early Christians have concerning the death of believing loved ones (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18)?
- (d) What event did Paul remind them about? Read the passage carefully: who is with the Lord first (verse 15); who does the Lord bring with Him when He returns (verse 14)?
- (e) What does this tell us about what happens when we die and what does it tell us about a bodily resurrection?
- (f) Family: Read Job 19:25-27 and 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18. Discuss the coming of the Lord together. What happens when the Lord returns? Pray that you will live each day this week remembering that the Lord is coming back soon.

# DAY 4 – ASK FOR INSIGHT

## READ THE PASSAGE

- (a) **Read Job 19:25.** What does Job say he *knows* about His Redeemer? Why is this an unusual statement?
- (b) Who is the Redeemer (Isaiah 44:24; 47:4; 49:7; 54:5; 54:8; and many more!)? Read Isaiah 45:21-22 and 43:11. What does God call Himself? What does He tell us that we have to do to be saved?
- (c) How have we been redeemed (Ephesians 1:7; 1 Peter 1:18-19; Revelation 5:9?
- (d) What is the basis of our salvation (Acts 2:22-32)? What would be true if Jesus had <u>not</u> risen (1 Corinthians 15:16-20)? What is true because we know he is risen?
- (e) Did David (and others in the Old Testament, including Job) have some understanding of the resurrection of their Redeemer (Acts 2:30-31)?
- (f) Family: Read Job 19:25 and 1 Peter 1:18-19. Talk about our redemption. How have we been redeemed? Could we be redeemed without the death of Jesus? Could we be redeemed without the resurrection of Jesus? Explain why both are essential for our salvation. Rejoice together that we can have an even greater confidence than Job in the resurrection of Jesus.

### DAY 5 - ASK FOR INSIGHT

### READ THE PASSAGE

- (a) **Read Job 19:23-27.** Read 1 Corinthians 15:53-58. What is the believer's view of death?
- (b) What is the one reason that we can say we have victory over death and the grave? How should that motivate us to live?
- (c) What does a *living* Redeemer provide for believers (Hebrews 7:25; 1 John 2:1; Romans 8:34)?
- (d) What does the resurrection secure for us (Romans 4:25; Romans 6:5; Romans 8:11; John 6:40; Luke 20:36: Revelation 20:6)?
- (e) Read 1 John 2:1-3. What is the joy of every believer? How does this motivate us to live today?
- (f) Family: Read Job 19:23-27 and 1 Corinthians 15:53-58. What have we received because of the resurrection of Jesus? What will we receive one day? Praise God together for the promise of eternal life that we have in Christ!

# DAY 6 - ASK FOR INSIGHT

# READ THE PASSAGE

Think back through what you have learned each day this week. Read Job 19:23-27. What was Job's great concern? What was Job's confidence? Discuss how the resurrection gives us confidence today. Pray that the message of the risen Christ might be clear to all who hear it tomorrow.

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My Redeemer Lives!

"For I know that my Redeemer lives."