

Introduction and Review

Conversations

Review of God's Speech (Job 38–42)

Behemoth and Leviathan (Job 40:15–41:34)

Meaning of these images?

The Epilogue

Job humbles himself before God. (42:1–6)

- 42:5. Job's wish granted (cf. Job 19:25–27).
- 42:6. Job's response? "Repent in dust and ashes."

"Repent" (*nacham*) possible definitions:

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Nacham in the book of Job. (2:11; 7:13; 16:2; 21:34; 29:25)

God restores Job. (42:7–16)

- God restores Job's _____ status. (7–9)
- God restores Job's _____ status. (10–11)
- God restored Job's _____ status. (12–16)

Some final questions:

When does the actual challenge end?

Has Job been successful, or did he fail? Is this question different than the question of did Job sin?

Themes

- Comfort.
- The plea for an _____. (16:19, a "witness")
- Is God worthy of _____?

Lessons from the Book of Job

1. God is in control of our trials (Job 1–2)
2. Grief is not sin (Job 1–3)
3. You cannot assume you know what God is doing in someone's life.
4. Wisdom is found deep in the person of God. (Job 28)
5. Just because you say truth does not mean you are saying it the right way.
6. God's *function* in our trials is not to help us escape them, but to help us through them.
7. Sometimes, God may not *feel* very present. This does not mean that He has abandoned you.
8. You may never know *why* things have happened to you. However, this does not mean that there is not a plan. God knows what he is doing.
9. Our aim should be to bring glory to God through our trials.