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# THE STORY OF JOB

Printable Lesson Kit



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# THE STORY OF JOB

## LESSON OVERVIEW



### THE STORY OF JOB MIGHTY MESSAGES

This Lesson on the trials of Job will help children see how we should respond when life throws us a curveball. Many Christians have been in very uncomfortable situations. It is either to make us stronger or because God needed to test our strength. For those who persevere, the blessings keep coming.



#### How to Use the Lesson Kit:

This kit includes a variety of activities that you can select from to customize your perfect lesson. We suggest beginning with the Scripture Reading & Lesson followed by the Discussion Questions. From there, feel free to mix & match the activities to build your lesson plan based on the time you have allotted and the age level/interests of your kids.



#### WHAT'S INCLUDED:

- Scripture Reading & Lesson
- Discussion Questions
- Printable Craft
- Game
- Coloring Page
- Wordsearch
- Crossword Puzzle
- Learning Lookups Journaling
- Parent Handout
- Quiz
- Reference Sheet
- Certificate of Completion
- Answer Page



#### MATERIALS LIST:

- Crayons
- Glue sticks
- Scissors
- Scripture cards (follow the game)
- Prizes (game: optional)
- One small rock per student (craft, optional)
- Paint and paintbrushes
- Small paper plates
- Pencils or pens
- Bibles (electronic or hardcopy)

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## SCRIPTURE & LESSON

### PASSAGES FROM (NIV): JOB 1 & 42

Read the following excerpts as shown (NIV translation), or read from your chosen Bible translation:



#### Job 1

<sup>1</sup> In the land of Uz there lived a man whose name was Job. This man was blameless and upright; he feared God and shunned evil. <sup>2</sup> He had seven sons and three daughters, <sup>3</sup> and he owned seven thousand sheep, three thousand camels, five hundred yoke of oxen and five hundred donkeys, and had a large number of servants. He was the greatest man among all the people of the East.

<sup>4</sup> His sons used to hold feasts in their homes on their birthdays, and they would invite their three sisters to eat and drink with them. <sup>5</sup> When a period of feasting had run its course, Job would make arrangements for them to be purified. Early in the morning he would sacrifice a burnt offering for each of them, thinking, “Perhaps my children have sinned and cursed God in their hearts.” This was Job’s regular custom.

<sup>6</sup> One day the angels came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan also came with them. <sup>7</sup> The Lord said to Satan, “Where have you come from?”

Satan answered the Lord, “From roaming throughout the earth, going back and forth on it.”

<sup>8</sup> Then the Lord said to Satan, “Have you considered my servant Job? There is no one on earth like him; he is blameless and upright, a man who fears God and shuns evil.”

<sup>9</sup> “Does Job fear God for nothing?” Satan replied. <sup>10</sup> “Have you not put a hedge around him and his household and everything he has? You have blessed the work of his hands, so that his flocks and herds are spread throughout the land. <sup>11</sup> But now stretch out your hand and strike everything he has, and he will surely curse you to your face.”

<sup>12</sup> The Lord said to Satan, “Very well, then, everything he has is in your power, but on the man himself do not lay a finger.”

Then Satan went out from the presence of the Lord.

<sup>13</sup> One day when Job’s sons and daughters were feasting and drinking wine at the oldest brother’s house, <sup>14</sup> a messenger came to Job and said, “The oxen were plowing and the donkeys were grazing nearby, <sup>15</sup> and the Sabeans attacked and made off with them. They put the servants to the sword, and I am the only one who has escaped to tell you!”



<sup>16</sup> While he was still speaking, another messenger came and said, “The fire of God fell from the heavens and burned up the sheep and the servants, and I am the only one who has escaped to tell you!”

<sup>17</sup> While he was still speaking, another messenger came and said, “The Chaldeans formed three raiding parties and swept down on your camels and made off with them. They put the servants to the sword, and I am the only one who has escaped to tell you!”

<sup>18</sup> While he was still speaking, yet another messenger came and said, “Your sons and daughters were feasting and drinking wine at the oldest brother’s house, <sup>19</sup> when suddenly a mighty wind swept in from the desert and struck the four corners of the house. It collapsed on them and they are dead, and I am the only one who has escaped to tell you!”

<sup>20</sup> At this, Job got up and tore his robe and shaved his head. Then he fell to the ground in worship <sup>21</sup>and said:

“Naked I came from my mother’s womb,

and naked I will depart.

The Lord gave and the Lord has taken away;

may the name of the Lord be praised.”

<sup>22</sup> In all this, Job did not sin by charging God with wrongdoing.

### **Job 42:12-16**

<sup>12</sup> The Lord blessed the latter part of Job’s life more than the former part. He had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand yoke of oxen and a thousand donkeys. <sup>13</sup> And he also had seven sons and three daughters. <sup>14</sup> The first daughter he named Jemimah, the second Keziah and the third Keren-Happuch.

<sup>15</sup> Nowhere in all the land were there found women as beautiful as Job’s daughters, and their father granted them an inheritance along with their brothers.

<sup>16</sup> After this, Job lived a hundred and forty years; he saw his children and their children to the fourth generation. <sup>17</sup> And so Job died, an old man and full of years.

## Questions for Children about Job

1. See Verses 9-11. What did Satan accuse God of doing so that Job would always behave well? **Giving him protections and all sorts of blessings.** What did Satan say Job would do if all his blessings were taken away? **Curse God**
2. Why did God allow Job to be treated so badly? **To test his faith; to prove that he would not lose his faith under duress.** Think of some time when something bad happened in your life. How did you feel about God? Was your attitude as good as Job's was?
3. How did God reward Job for not giving into the temptation to curse God for his suffering? See Job 42 Verses 12-16. When we come under trial, what are some good things we can count on? **God will be with us, and God will eventually deliver us. We will get to meet him face to face in heaven.**



## TEACHER'S MIGHTY MESSAGE

Job did nothing wrong. He didn't do anything to cause his own tragic circumstances. He had always been good. And when tragic circumstances came, he also didn't do anything wrong during that time.

One part of the story not covered in today's reading is that when Job had all his blessings taken and his skin had become so infected, three of his friends came over to "try to be helpful." They tried to get Job to say that he had done something wrong to bring about his hardship! They thought God was punishing Job for something and he ought to confess to what it was. They probably doubled his pain just from their accusations.

Oftentimes people suffer, and they did nothing to cause their own suffering. And yet some people—some Christians—think it is a time to stare and wonder what the person did. Perhaps nothing!

No matter what trials we go through in life, they will probably not be as bad as Job's. He shows us how to say, "blessed be the name of the Lord" no matter what is going on. This kind of behavior makes God incredibly happy.

God doesn't promise that our lives will always be rosy. He doesn't promise us that we won't be tested. He does promise that he loves us, and anything he allows to happen will eventually work toward our personal good and/or the good of others.



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## PRINTABLE CRAFT



### MATERIALS:

- JOB Printable Craft File (two pages)
- White Paper

#### For Hands-on Variation

- JOB Printable Craft Handout
- One small rock per student
- Paint and paintbrushes
- Small paper plates
- Coloring Utensils
- Scissors



#### For Mess free Variation

- JOB Printable Craft Rock
- Coloring Utensils
- Scissors
- Stickers (optional)

## PREPARATION:

Determine which variation of the craft you will be using

#### For Hands-On Variation:

- You will need one handout page for every six students
- Clean rocks in preparation for paint
- Prep area for paint, which may include tablecloths and/or craft aprons for students
- Distribute small amounts of paint on paper plates for student

#### For Mess-Free Variation:

- You will need one printable rock page per student

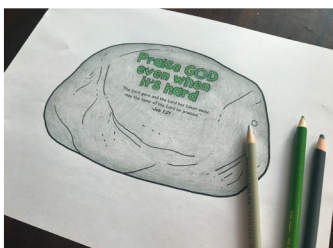
## INSTRUCTIONS:

#### Hands-On Variation


1. Paint rock
2. Color handout page as desired
3. Cut out handout

#### Mess-Free Variation

1. Color pages as desired
2. Cut out pieces
3. Decorate rock pieces with stickers, if desired.








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even when  
it's hard

"The Lord gave and the Lord has taken away;  
may the name of the Lord be praised."

*-Job 1:21*



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### MEMORIZE SCRIPTURES FOR TRIALS

This game will give students four scriptures to commit to memory. They are considered favorites for people in times of trial. The repetitiveness in hearing and seeing will help them memorize them.



#### MATERIALS:

- Scripture cards (follow this lesson)
- Prizes (optional)

#### Preparation

Cut the strips according to the instructions on the game sheet and place them in a random pile on the table.

### INTRODUCTION

Jesus did not promise to deliver us from any stress, pain, or heartache in this life. In fact, we often do our best growing while we are not comfortable. Stress and pain are part of growing up.

Jesus said, “In this world, you will have tribulation. Be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.” He also gave us some great comfort scriptures, and today we’re going to learn four—in a fast and fun way!



#### INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Explain to students that they will have to put all the lines in order. They must figure out a strategy, because you will keep reading in an evenly paced way once they start.
2. Read through the four scriptures once, then have them “line” all four once with you. (Lining is where you say a line and they repeat it.)
3. Slowly, speak the lines of the scriptures one at a time.
4. The objective is for the students to get the lines in order.
5. Do not stop reading or slow down. You may suggest things at the top of the game like turn all the lines over first and make a separate place for the scripture verses.
6. If students have all the scripture lines in order by the sixth time you read them, everyone wins!
7. Ask individual students to recite each one. Give out prizes if you have them.

Create a copy of this Scripture lines and keep a copy for yourself. Yours will be the answer key. Cut the other copy into strips with one line on each strip. Place them in the center of the learning table in a scrambled pile.

**BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO MOURN,**

**FOR THEY SHALL BE COMFORTED**

**MATTHEW 5:4**

**THE LORD IS CLOSE TO THE BROKENHEARTED**

**AND SAVES THOSE WHO ARE CRUSHED IN SPIRIT**

**PSALM 34:18**

**SO DO NOT FEAR,**

**FOR I AM WITH YOU;**

**DO NOT BE DISMAYED,**

Create a copy of this Scripture lines and keep a copy for yourself. Yours will be the answer key. Cut the other copy into strips with one line on each strip. Place them in the center of the learning table in a scrambled pile.

**FOR I AM YOUR GOD.**

**I WILL STRENGTHEN YOU AND HELP YOU;**

**I WILL UPHOLD YOU WITH MY RIGHTEOUS RIGHT HAND.**

**ISAIAH 41:10**

**THE LORD IS MY LIGHT AND MY SALVATION**

**WHOM SHALL I FEAR?**

**THE LORD IS THE STRONGHOLD OF MY LIFE**

**OF WHOM SHALL I BE AFRAID**

**PSALM 27:1**

# Color by Numbers!

1 = Brown

3 = Blue

5 = Black

7 = Red

9 = Purple

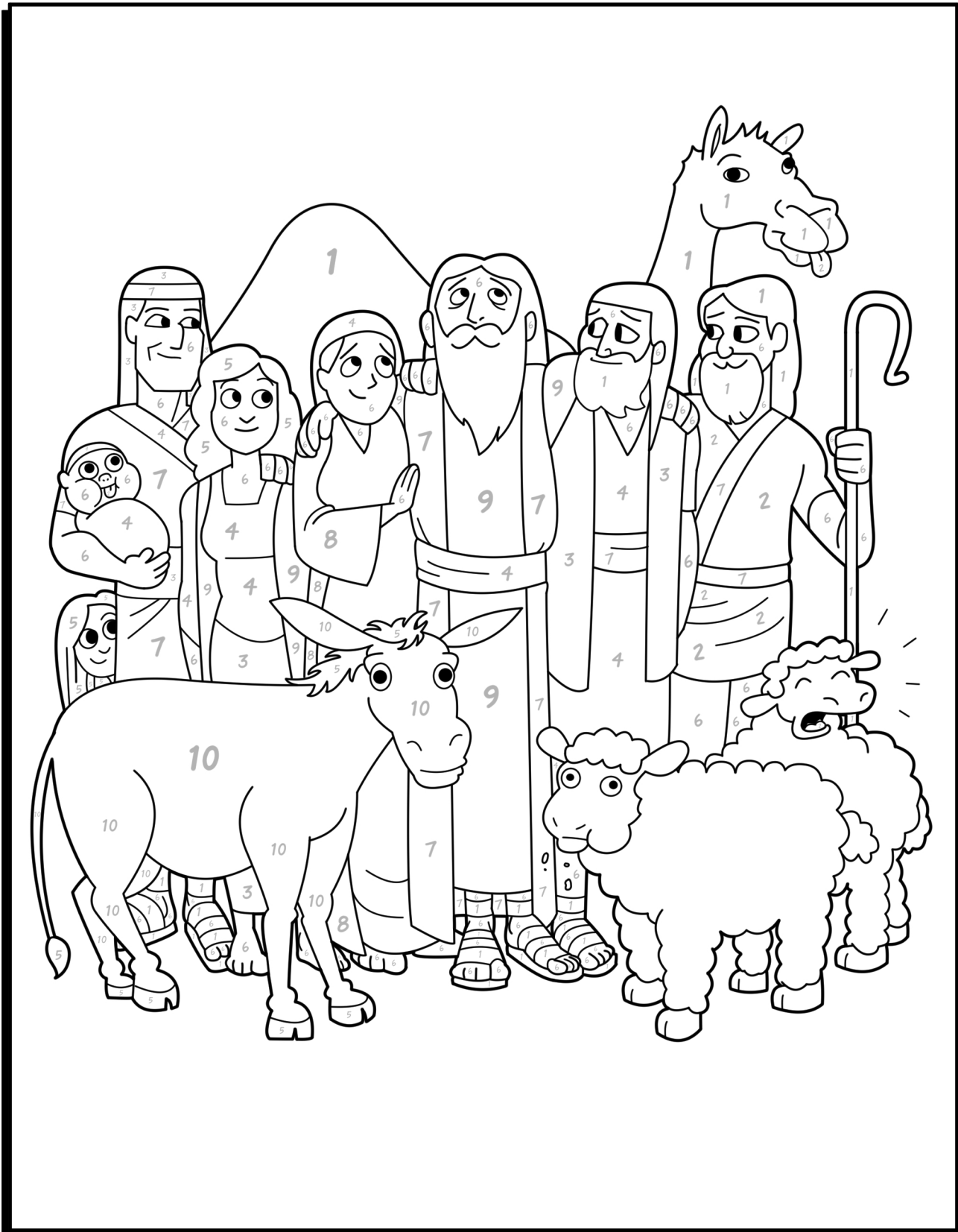
2 = Pink

4 = Light blue

6 = Skin tone

8 = Green

10 = Gray



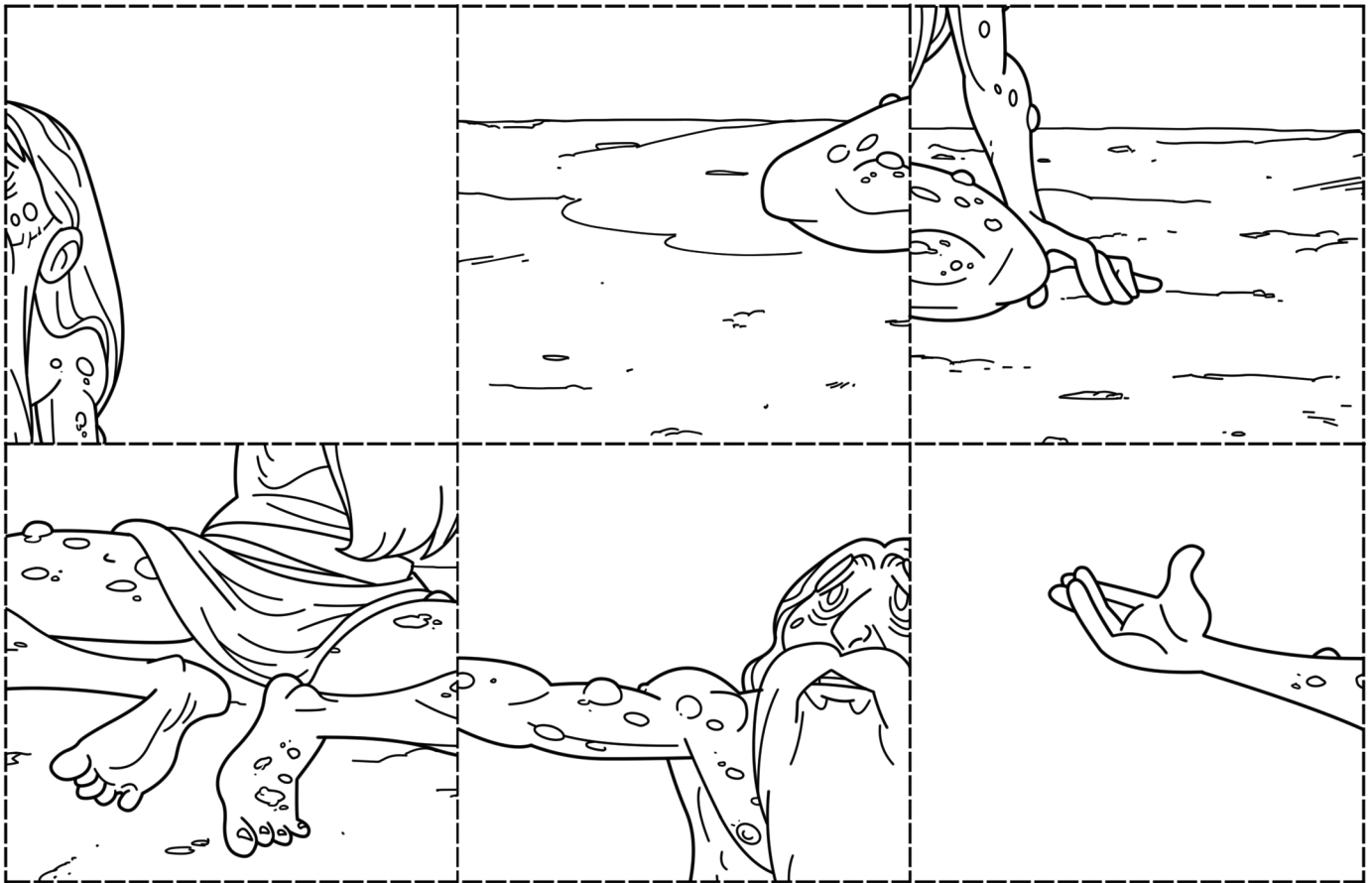
Job gets all his fortune restored.

Job 42: 17-17



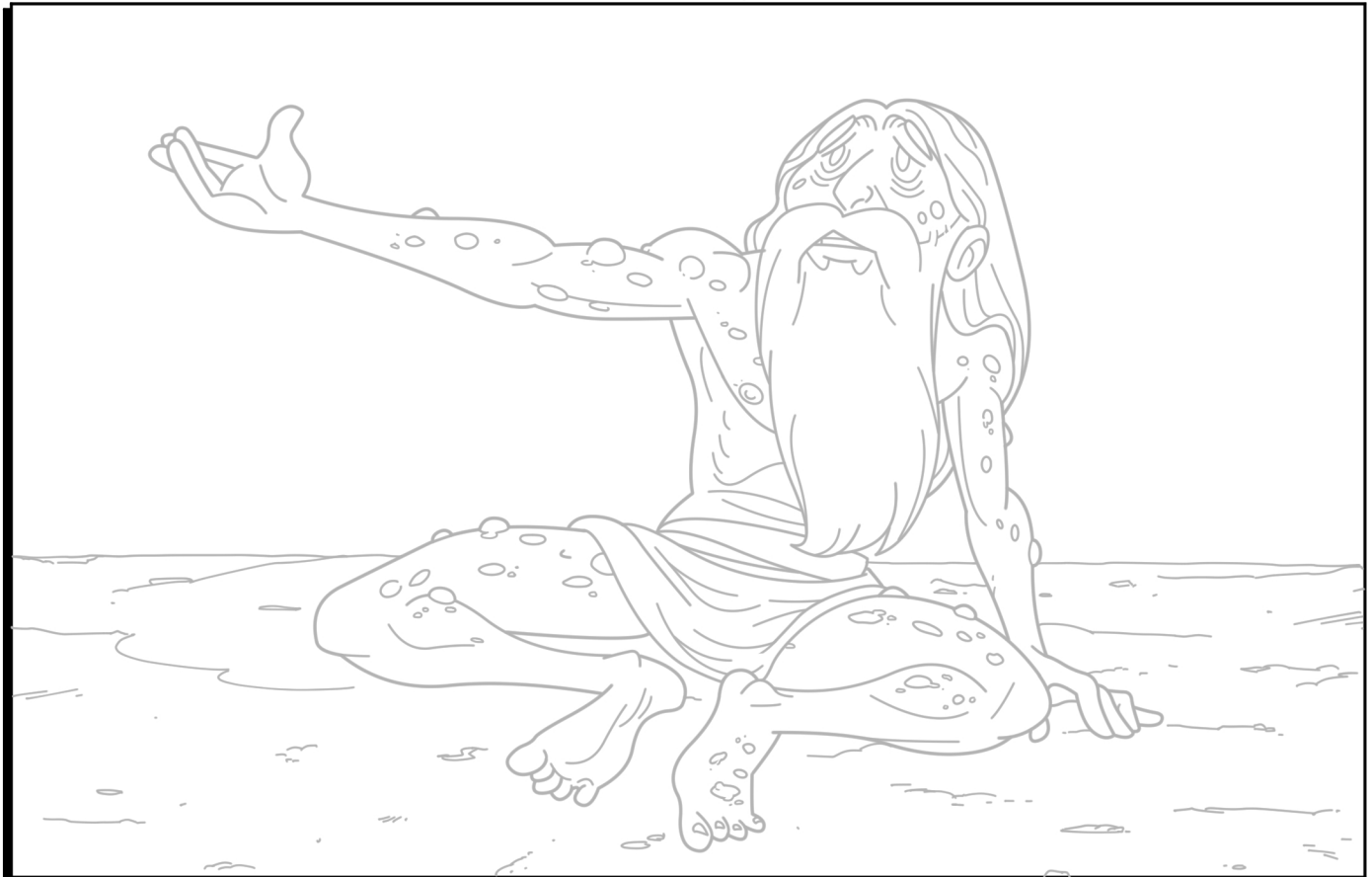
# Cut-Paste-Color!

Cut along the dotted lines & arrange in order below.



Job gets boils all over his body.

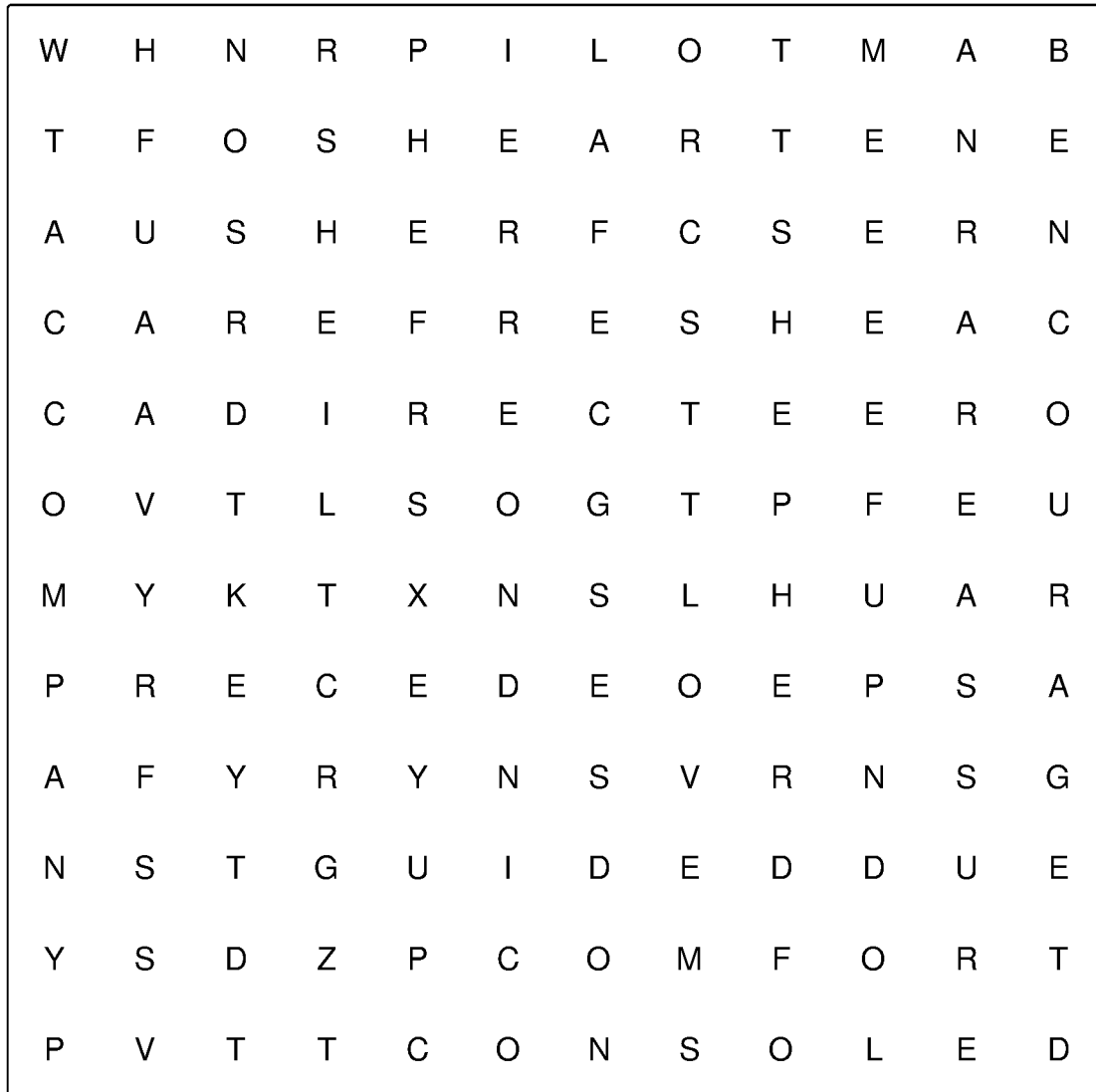
**Job 2: 9-13**





## WORD SEARCH

God does not promise us a life devoid of pain and heartache. However, he does promise to help us when others attack or when acts of nature scare or threaten to hurt us. Below is a list of things God and Jesus do. Find them in the word search and remember them for times of hardship!



### Words to Find:

COMFORT  
DIRECT  
GUIDE  
LOVE  
USHER

SHEPHERD  
STEER  
PILOT  
ACCOMPANY  
ATTEND

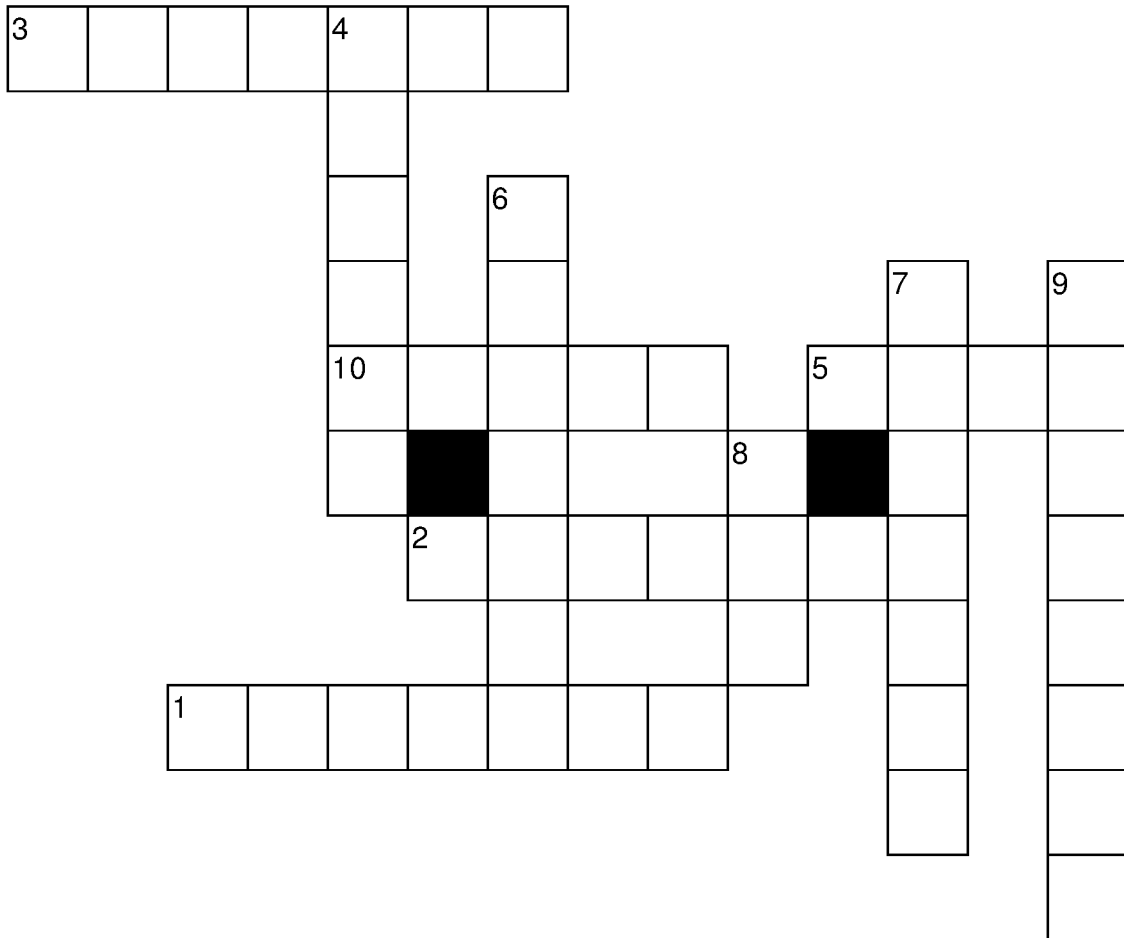
PRECEDE  
CHEER  
CONSOLE  
ENCOURAGE  
HEARTEN

REASSURE  
REFRESH  
STRENGTHEN



# CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Use your At-A-Glance Sheet, All the Facts about Job, to fill in the crossword and learn more about this wonderful book in the Bible



### Across

1. Job may have been written even before this Bible book
2. The author of the Book of Job
3. Job is thought to have taken place during the lifetime of this early Bible hero
5. The relative who told Job to curse God and die
10. God multiplied Job's blessings this many times after his trial ended

### Down

4. Job lost his children, businesses, and eventually this
6. In Chapters 3 through 37, three of these show up to converse with Job
7. What Job's three friends accuse him of doing
8. Job refuses to say a bad word about this
9. What God does to Job's fortune

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## PARENT HANDOUT



**Scriptures to Read:** Job 1 & 42



### This Week We Learned About ...

...the trials of Job, whom Satan attacked and tried to destroy in the Old Testament. The lesson helped the children see how we should respond when life throws us a curveball. Many Christians have been in very uncomfortable situations. It is either to make us stronger or because God needed to test our strength. For those who persevere, the blessings keep coming.



#### ✓ Questions for Kids:

1. What did Job refuse to do?  
**A. Accuse God of wrongdoing**
2. Which part of Job's life did God bless more—his life at the beginning of the story or at the end? **A. the end, or second part**
3. How old did Job live to be? **A. 140 years old**

#### ✓ Dinner Table Discussion:

When we are going through hard things it can feel like they will never end. What is one of the more challenging times you've been through in your life? Why was it hard? What feelings did you have?

Talk about a time when lots of good things happened. What were they? How did you feel during that time? Do you think knowing that there are good seasons and bad seasons will help you the next time things get hard?

#### Scripture Notes (tuck in lunchboxes, tape to mirrors, etc.):



*I love those who love me, and those who seek me find me.*  
**Proverbs 8:17**



*Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.* **1 Peter 5:7**



*Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they?* **Matthew 6:26**

# THE STORY OF JOB

## AT-A-GLANCE



O.T. BOOK #18



AUTHOR: UNKNOWN



WRITTEN: UNKNOWN  
but thought to be around the time of  
Abraham, 1900 BC

Covering the time period between 2100 and 1900 BC

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Old Testament: 39 Books

New Testament: 27 Books

CLAIMS TO FAME: **May be the only Bible book written before Genesis**

### FAMOUS STORIES INCLUDED:

- The Book of Job is one story about a man who goes through extreme testing with the loss of his children, businesses, and eventually his own health.

### MOST FAMOUS VERSES:

The Lord gave and the Lord has taken away; may the name of the Lord be praised." **Job 1:21**

His wife said to him, "Are you still maintaining your integrity? Curse God and die!" He replied, "You are talking like a foolish woman. Shall we accept good from God, and not trouble?" **Job 2:9-10**

## Important Points about the Book:

- Job's blessings are described in Chapter 1. Then his losses in the trial from Satan are described, ending in Chapter 2.
- In Chapters 3 through 37, Job converses with three friends who showed up. They want to make him feel better, but they confound their own efforts by accusing him of "earning" his trial by having sinned. Job has not sinned, and he refuses to say a bad word about God.
- In Chapters 37 through 40, God confronts them all, especially Job, with a strong speech on why they are not big enough or smart enough to question his acts.
- In the closing chapter, 41, God restores all of Job's losses, giving him twice as much as before and 10 more children.



**LEARNING  
LOOKUPS**



**THE STORY  
OF JOB**

**Lookup:** Psalm 34:18 and write it down.

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**Lookup:** Isaiah 42:10. Write it down.

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**Question:** These two scriptures are very famous for comforting people who are in a hard time. Think of some times or instances when these verses would be helpful:

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Create a prayer below. Speak to God and write it. Ask God to use any hard time of yours to draw you closer to him instead of growing farther apart. Use your own words:


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## QUIZ



**Instructions: Complete the Bible lookups to pick the proper answers for the quiz questions below:**

### CIRCLE THE CORRECT ANSWER

1. Job may be the first book of the Bible written, even though it is located right before the Book of

- a. Psalms
- b. Proverbs
- c. Exodus
- d. Matthew

2. Satan asked to put Job to a huge test because God had (Job 1:8)

- a. bragged about Job
- b. cursed Job
- c. been mad at Job

3. Satan said that if God took all Job had, Job would then (Job 1:11)

- a. commit robbery
- b. curse God
- c. divorce his wife

4. Job had this many children, all of whom died (Job 1:2)

- a. 5
- b. 7
- c. 10
- d. 12

5. Job lost all except which of these (Job 1:19)

- a. Oxen
- b. donkeys
- c. camels
- d. sheep
- e. children
- f. wife

6. Job's wife suggested he do this (Job 2:9)

- a. pray hard
- b. eat spinach
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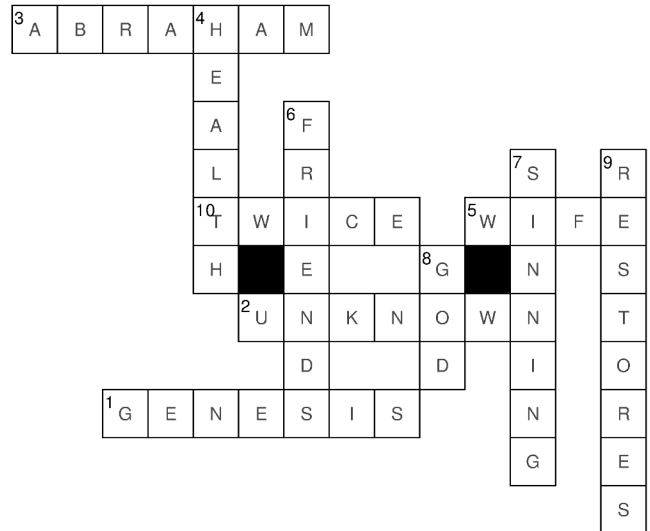
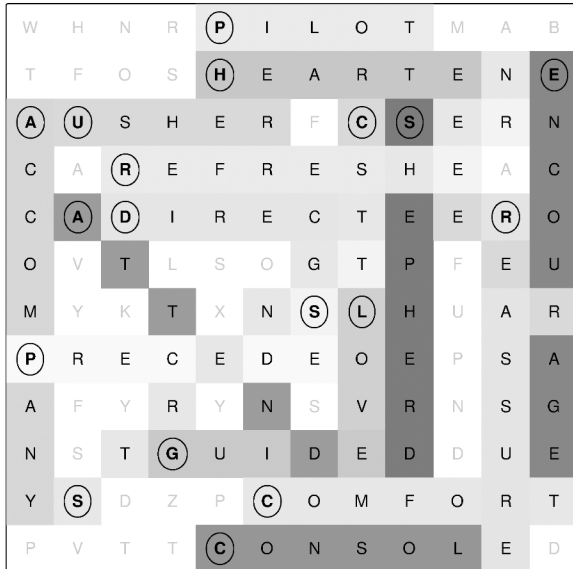
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- b. they were wrong

8. In Job 42:10, God rewards Job by giving him

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- b. Silver & Gold
- c. Twins
- d. double what he had before

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## ANSWER KEY



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