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Worship Service
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Questions God Asks: How Will You Respond?

Lesson Eleven • Job 38:1-41

Where Were You When I Laid the Foundation of the Earth?

Reality of Suffering

No one is EXEMPT from suffering; it is a universal reality and infinitely varied.

God's Question: "Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?"

Our test of FAITH in the midst of suffering demonstrates what we really believe about God.

When Tragedy Strikes

Act 1: The Man Who HAD It All!

Who is Job?

By the world's standards, Job was RICH and by God's standards, Job was RIGHTEOUS (*Job 1:1-5*).

Act 2: The Man Who LOST It All!

Job's Response to Tragedy

- Job moves from weeping over loss to WORSHIPING the Lord (*Job 1:13-22*).

- Job moves from worshiping the Lord to WISHING for death (*Job 2-3*).

Suffering 101

Suffering cannot be UNDERSTOOD from a natural, earthly perspective (*Job 1:6-12*).

Act 3: The Man Who QUESTIONED It All!

After Job Questioned God

- God answered Job's questions with a barrage of QUESTIONS (*Job 38-40*).
 - Beginning with, "Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?" (*Job 38:4*)
 - Continuing with, "Shall a faultfinder contend with the Almighty? He who argues with God, let him answer it." (*Job 40:2*)
- Job learned that suffering is not answered by our understanding, but by our TRUST in God (*Job 42:1-6*).

Our Response to Suffering

The real question in our suffering is not "WHY?" The real question is how will we respond: with God's grace or without God's grace?

"I had heard reports about You, but now my eyes have seen You." Job 42:5 CSB