Bible Study 35

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The Book of Job

Chapter 8 begins with Bildad turning on Job: “how long will you say such things; your words are a blustery wind?”

Bildad’s contention is that Job is receiving justice because God does not pervert justice and only choices what is right.

Job’s children sinned and they got what they deserved. This is his conclusion.

Bildad begs Job to ask God for pardon and to be humble in the sight of God. “Once you are on the side of God’s right everything will be returned to you.”-

“Surely God does not reject a blameless man or strengthen the hands of evil doers.” V.20.

Job does not dispute anything that Bildad says. He believes in the righteousness of God. He conceives God as a mighty force that can do anything without any help from man. He is the invisible God who Man can but admire through his works.

More than this Job believes that it is useless to dispute with God. Nothing he can do or say will ever change the situation. His greatest enemy is himself and he can only condemn himself through his own words.

Rather Job accepts his guilt while knowing he is innocent. “I still dread all my sufferings, for I know you will not hold me innocent.”

Job knows a universal truth: “He is not like us. He is not a man. He is not a man that we could confront in court.”

In Chapter 10 Job speaks of how much he loathes his own life. For most of the chapter he talks about how it is God who formed and made him.

 Job regrets his life.

He never ever blames God but accepts that if this were a trial he would be found guilty and since God is never wrong he would just accept it.

Read chapters: 8, 9, and 10