

The Book of Job, Summary

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1. The Book of Job is probably the oldest book of the Bible. Many Bible scholars believe that it was written about 2000 BC.
2. You can find it in your Bible in the Old Testament, right before the Book of Psalms.
3. Job lived in the ancient land of Uz (Job 1:1), not to be confused with the fictional land of Oz.
4. He was married with ten children, and was very rich (Job 1:2-3).
5. Even though he was a godly person, Job lost his home, his children, and his health (Job 1:13-2:8).
6. Four friends (Eliphaz, Bildad, Zophar, and Elihu) try to comfort and help Job, but they make him feel worse than he did already.
7. Job struggles to understand why bad things happen to good people. He is sometimes angry, sometimes sad. But he always remembers that God has a plan and a place for him in heaven (Job 19:25-27).
8. Throughout the book, Job prays to God and asks a lot of questions. Finally, at the end of the book, God answers Job (Chapters 38-41).
9. Job never really gets the answers to all his questions. After all, no one can understand God completely. But Job does realize that God can do anything, and he affirms his faith in God.
10. In the end of the story, Job is blessed with a good life, ten more children, and a long life of 140 years (Chapter 42).
11. We learn that we should be content, have faith in God, and trust God in all circumstances.
12. The key verse of the Book of Job is 1:21, "The LORD gave, and the LORD has taken away; Blessed be the name of the LORD."