CC York Conference, 2019 Close conference Summary 5 speakers Speaker Summary: Jim Tatton

John 21 Jesus Restores Peter

- Setbacks. Come backs in life!
- Be a Peacemaker not an appeaser!
- JESUS asks, Do you love me more than these? Love one another!

<u>Ilyas 2 Chron 20 - comfort in great difficulty!</u>

- Jehoshaphat feared the Lord and set himself to pray, humbly turning to the Lord
 - Lord lead Judah/Jehoshaphat from fear to deliverance and blessings!.
- Position yourself, stand still and see the salvation of the Lord!
- Responded by worshipping loudly! Glorifying the Lord! Praises getting blessed and enemies were being destroyed! V. 29. Fear to joy! Worship the
- Faith, praise, fear, prayer But God, our eye are on You, do not be afraid or dismayed, battle not your but God! You need not fight in this battle. But position yourself To battlefields, stand still,
- God wanted me to go through the valley of the shadow of death to find out the victory and see the victory!
- Valley of blessing! The Lord. Took away and transferred the booty from the enemy to Israel! loving one another,
- First thing is to pray! How can we love enemies if we can't love each other.

Steve Boal - Signicant Moments

- A significant moment! Moses. 50 days of Exodus! How Moses responded to a historical call! It's not about us.
- A significant opportunity! Words in our hearts! Ex 2:11. What about me? It's hope! We shouldn't coast! Inspired by our love for the Lord, for His Word! Burden for his heart! What does <u>God want to do in our hearts?</u> Significant moment! Not to act in the flesh. Ex 3:7. Seen, heard, know, deliver. V10, I will send you! Gods heart to send someone! Lord what are you saying to me?
- V12. I will certainly be with you! Give what you have to the Lord. barbeque in outreach v13. I Am who I AM! Creator of the Universe! When God calls us, do we really understand who is calling us?
- Be vulnerable, use what you have! What is not submitted, what you consider your strength, can become a snake. Then He had Moses catch snake by the tail, to show Moses to give control to Him. Chap 20. Watch out for the little gods in our lives seeking power and glory for ourselves.
- Put away the little god of power, self glory. Love the Lord your God with all your heart.

James Peat - Faith in action

- Noah, great man of God story of God and the ark. Noah feared the Lord. Righteous just and perfect , "tam". Noah. Walked with God.
- V 6. God grieved in His heart...sorry that I have made them. V 8. "But Noah found grace in the eyes of the Lord" Have you found grace, mercy not merit, God did in Noah, but not in the world.
- What do we see -same as the days of Noah! 7:17. Time is running out! Not to be discouraged or distracted. Do you agree with what is coming on the earth.
- Noah. Play his part into God's salvation plan. Noah heard clearly from the Lord!
 V15 Noah, Abraham, Moses all had a clear call from the Lord. No other source of authority and power.
- Get right w God! We worship a covenant keeping God.
- Storms don't change, outcome is determined by how houses are built! Do what we should be doing.
- Christians must have a special love for each other! Be diligent in seeking the Lord
- We need to repent. We should be moved to action, grace through faith, moved to action
- We have received grace in the mind of the Lord, and the responsibility Check the God's blueprint for our lives. Are you and I on course?

Bob Claycamp - Judges 7 brokenness vs. 1_3 Gideon. You have too many people

- 22k returned-fear- Many don't go into ministry because of fear; 10k remained; 300 Spiritual parallel. Prayerful and watchful! Spiritual warfare, need vigilant and praying! God I'd looking for vigilance prayerful people.; 450:1
- God called Him as mighty man of valor. Not then, but he would be. Referring to the way God would use him! God helped him along, rallied 4 tribes
- Gideon was obedient even though he didn't understand- that's faith!
- V9. Gods help is coming. Go down be strengthened. We're just little kids; Natural fear. I'm in way over my head
- Do you see the God as One who will help? Fascinating how god arranges encouragement. Puahs are encouragers.
- The enemy was afraid! V 15. Underline it!!! When Gideon heard the enemy's encouraging dream he worshipped! Stop and worship!
- Now <u>after worship</u> God said arise, for the Lord has delivered the enemy into your hand
- <u>Look at me and do likewise.</u> Underline! You've <u>got to lead the pack!</u> Are you are vulnerable? Your love for the people will show over time. How do you handle the "No"s from those you minister to.
- Gideon Not given detailed strategy but did give him wisdom to knows what to do!
- Made use of what they had in their hands
- V22. Lord did it set every mans sword against his companioin.
- God doesn't reveal the how until a step of faith is taken. Get into the word during those times! Looking back, how God has been faithful.
- It's worth taking a chance, Give it everything you've got Taking steps of faith,
- Enemy didn't see the light until broken

- V 23 jealous Christians. Nobody called me! When God gives you victory other will not like it! Anger was subsided by Gideon' response! Don't get into a fight, but encourage and bless them!
- Keep God"s perspective! Welcome brokenness. Now is the season of being faithful
- God says I know whaI can do with that ministry with you! The ministry you have been given is that of Jesus and His heart!

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<u>Theme!</u> The awesome and trustworthy God we serve!!! Great pain and great suffering for months! - Job

• In FAITH ... YOU AND JOB!

Purpose: What does the Bible say about:

- How the believer **should respond** to extreme trials and afflictions. Not explanation but revelation!
- How the believer <u>should comfort those going through</u> trials and afflictions. We must process it in the light of the greatness of God's wisdom, His power and His love and go deeper into the relationship with Him! THE KEY in times like this is to go deeper with our relationship with God. That's the solution, not the explanation!
- How we <u>all need to understand the greatness, the awesomeness, the fullness of God</u> in Creation.

Lets' look at the Book of Job for answers!

Theme: In Faith, you and Job!

Share Job!

- Victory through faithfulness in extended time of horrific physical and spiritual suffering.
- Job pleads to God, why? but hears nothing.
- God answers by revealing Himself and His awesomeness through 70 plus creation questions.
- Recognizing God's awesomness and greatness, Job is speechless; then repents
- God accepts Job; rejects his three friends
- Reconciliation occurs by God having Job offer sacrifices, then prying for three friends. When Job prays, all is doubly restored to him, double the amount of everything!
- Job had emphasized his righteousness at times demeaning God and wanting to ask God questions. God answers not explanation but by revelation in creation who God is!! He asks 77 questions showing His greatness. Job could answer none! Saying if there were only a Mediator between us, then I would question God. After much dialogue between job and his friend of 35 chapters, God interrupts and

Situation in Heaven - God and Satan

- Chap 1 V 1 Challenge of God to Satan Satan allowed to take away property and ten children Job did not sin or charge God with wrong.
- 2 V.2 Satan allowed to touch Job's bone and flesh Boils over entire body, excrusiating pain and suffering.

Job's "Friends" Miserable Comforters

• Attempted comfort by three accusing friends and Elihu. Job does not curse God

God Reveals His Greatness in Creation, asking questions

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- Three friends' actions incur God's wrath.

God's Restoration

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Job's Character and Wealth

Job 1:1-5

Satan Allowed to Test Job

Job 1:6-12 Job 1:8 Then the LORD said to Satan, "Have you considered My servant Job, that there is none like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man, one who fears God and shuns evil?"

Job 1:9 So Satan answered the LORD and said, "Does Job fear God for nothing?

Satan Takes Job's Property and Children

Job 1:13-19

Job 1:20-22 Then Job arose, tore his robe, and shaved his head; and he fell to the ground and worshiped. And he said: "Naked I came from my mother's womb, And naked shall I return there. The LORD gave, and the LORD has taken away; Blessed be the name of the LORD." In all this Job did not sin nor charge God with wrong.

Satan Attacks Job's Health

Job 2:1-10

Job 2:7 So Satan went out from the presence of the LORD, and struck Job with painful boils from the sole of his foot to the crown of his head.

Job 2:8 And he took for himself a potsherd with which to scrape himself while he sat in the midst of the ashes.

Job 2:9 Then his wife said to him, "Do you still hold fast to your integrity? Curse God and die!"

Job 2:10 But he said to her, "You speak as one of the foolish women speaks. Shall we indeed accept good from God, and shall we not accept adversity?" In all this Job did not sin with his lips.

<u>Job's Three Friends – Miserable Comforters!</u>

Job 2:11-26:31

Young Elihu Speaks

Job 32-37

<u>God Humbles Job</u> (<u>Job 38:1-42:6</u>) - Through questions (70+), too great to answer (<u>Job 38:1-41:34</u>); Job acknowledges his inability to understand (<u>Job 42:1-6</u>)

<u>God Honors Job</u> ($\underline{Job\ 42:7-17}$) - God rebukes his critics ($\underline{Job\ 42:7-10}$); God restores his wealth ($\underline{Job\ 42:11-17}$)

77 Questions:

The Lord Answers Job

Job 38:22 "Have you entered the treasury of snow, Or have you seen the treasury of hail, 1 trillion snowflakes/storm 6 point 60 degrees between – all different, no two alike *Rain/Lightning*

v. 25 Who has divided a channel for the overflowing water: to cause it to rain...

- hydra cycle. 1.5 trillion tons of water that fall per day.
- A typical lightning bolt contains 1 billion volts and contains between 10,000 to 200,000 amperes of current." 53,000 degree Fahrenheit!

<u>Job: 31-32</u> Can you bind the cluster of the Pleiades:

- The number of galaxies has been estimated to be 100 billion, with the number of stars per galaxy of 100 billion, resulting in total of stars in the universe estimated at 70 100 billion trillion? The Bible says God named every one of them! Psa 147:4 He counts the number of the stars; He calls them all by name.
- Betelgeuse, the brightest star in the Orion, is a colossal object, having an estimated diameter around a 1,000 times that of the Sun, with an estimated absolute luminosity of 100,000 times the Sun. We're talking about an object larger than the entire orbit of Jupiter. Its immense size makes its distance uncertain, though, which makes calculations of other properties (such as its mass) uncertain too. Betelgeuse is a star in a hurry travelling through space at about 67,000 mph (30 km/s) relative to the surrounding interstellar medium.

Eye 1 million connections/eye to brain need to be perfectly matched to see!

Job 38:36 Who has put wisdom in the mind? Or Who has given understanding to the heart? Cells DNA

Definition and Structure – a digital code (A totally ordered sequence)!

- Each human body has <u>100 trillion cells</u>, and is replacing 50,000 cells every three seconds! We're absolutely miracles, you and I fearfully and wonderfully made by our Creator God of the heavens!
- Look at a single cell, which is **more complex than the universe!**
- The information in the DNA in each cell, if stretched out would be 4-6 feet long, per cell. You multiply that by 100 trillion, which means, in **your body you have 100 billion miles of information -- from the earth to the sun and back 400 times!** All the DNA in your systems, your genes, which if you could collect them, would fit inside an ice cube. This is just our body now, the throw away container the fallen version! We'll all get upgrade when the LORD comes! Who knows what our glorified body will be like, when

it's controlled by the Holy Spirit.

<u>The Durability of the Human Heart:</u> *Job 38:36 - Or who has given understanding to the heart?*

• Physically the heart is the most awesome circulating pump! The number of heartbeats (@70/min x 60 x 24 x 365.25= 100,800 beats/day; 36,817,200 per year; lifetime @ 80 years = about 2.95 billion beats!!

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SUMMARY - JOB -

TRIALS AND AFFLICTIONS – SOLUTION, NOT WHY BUT HOW GREAT IS OUR GOD? THE VERY BEST PLACE TO BE IS IN HIS HANDS, TRUSTING HIM COMPLETELY!

- 1. GOD ALWAYS HAS THE FINAL SAY! Not circumstances, not man! We can rest in Him that He is going to work all things together for our good; but also, for His glory!
- 2. NOT EXPLANATION BUT REVELATION God never explained! God never brought up Job's suffering or even made mention of it, not once! God never answered any, not a single one, of Job's questions of his sufferings. No explanation, but a greater revelation of Himself, proving that God was worthy of Job's trust! This is the great lesson of the Book of Job! Whenever we are in a trial, we think that our greatest need is an explanation from God! It isn't! And God knows it isn't! Our greatest need is not an explanation but a greater revelation of Him that takes us into a deeper relationship with Him!
- 3. GOD'S REVELATION TO JOB! God gave Job a revelation of His wisdom Address #1. A revelation of His power Address #2. A revelation of His love by restoring Job's life.
- 4. NO PEACE THROUGH EXPLANATION! PEACE ONLY THROUGH REVELATION AND RESTING IN THAT! We think we would be satisfied with an explanation, but we won't! One explanation will require another explanation and so on with the same situation! Then another situation hits and we'll want another

- explanation! And there's no peace in that, at the time when we desperately need peace. The peace is found in understanding in a greater measure the greatness of God's wisdom, His power and His love for me and resting in that!
- 5. THE KEY IN TIMES OF TRIALS: So, what do we do as we go along processing our relationship with God for what has been happening, when BOOM, a huge new trial hits us? Now in this new situation we must process it in the light of the greatness of God's wisdom, His power and His love and go deeper into the relationship with Him! THE KEY in times like this is to go deeper with our **relationship with God.** That's the solution, not the explanation! Jesus said this in Joh_16:33 These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world. The solution is a deeper relationship with the LORD! Jesus said, Mat 11:28-30 Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. [29] Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. [30] For My yoke is easy and My burden is light." The key is always when some bombshell occurs, like it did to Job, is immediately not to waste time, demanding an explanation, because that is a waste of time. The great need is to go deeper with my relationship with Jesus Christ than I ever have had before and to begin that process.
- 6. HOW DO WE GO INTO A DEEPER RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD? FIRST, THE WORD OF GOD: Jesus spoke to the religious leaders, Joh 5:39 You search the Scriptures, for in them you think you have eternal life; and these are they which testify of Me. As we turn to the Scriptures and as we begin to learn about Jesus' wisdom, His power and His love, it gives us the ability to realize that I can't entrust the situation to be in any better hands than His hands! I can't know any greater peace in my life than to commit them to this Jesus, who is described in the Bible and who lives inside of my heart. To do that is superior to ask for an explanation
- 7. SECOND PRAYER! And then the second great thing is the importance of prayer! So, when the bombshells hit in life and they can hit, it's a waste of time to demand an explanation of God. Take every available moment to go deeper in your relationship with God, learning His Word in a greater measure in light of who He is and what He says He is, in light of what we are facing, of that relationship. Then to grow in the intimacy through prayer, just talking things over with Him. The peace is found in the relationship! It is not found in an explanation! And God knows it and those of you who have been through deep, deep trials, deep, deep difficulties in your life, you know it to be true as well!