

## **JOB 42:7-10! – Job’s Repentance; Prayer as Intercession; God’s Restoration!**

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### **ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING – St. Francis of Assisi (1181-1226); Maranatha**

1 All creatures of our God and King. Lift up your voice and with us sing. Alleluia! Alleluia! Thou burning sun with golden beam. Thou silver moon with softer gleam. Oh, praise Him! Oh, praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!  
2 Thou rushing wind that art so strong. Ye clouds that sail in heav'n along. Oh, praise Him! Alleluia! Thou rising moon in praise rejoice. Ye lights of evening find a voice. Oh, praise Him! Oh, praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!  
3 Let all things their Creator bless And worship Him in humbleness. Oh, praise Him! Alleluia! Praise, praise the Father praise the Son And praise the Spirit three in one. Oh, praise Him! Oh, praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise, praise the Father praise the Son And praise the Spirit three in one. Oh, praise Him! Oh, praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

### **God Honors Job (Job 42:7-14)**

Now that Job has humbled himself, God can exalt him (**1Pe 5:6; Jas 4:10**). The first thing God does is rebuke the friends, who along with Job had been giving their reasons and questions why Job was suffering, from chapter 3 through 37! He speaks to Eliphaz because he was apparently the eldest of the friends and therefore the most accountable. **God makes it clear that their many arguments were in error; they did not understand either God or Job.** He commands **the friends to offer burnt offerings, and He instructs Job to pray for them.** It must have taken much grace for Job to pray for men who had treated him so severely, but he was a man of God and he obeyed the Lord. God turned Job’s captivity **when he prayed not for himself, but for his friends.** God healed his body. After rebuking Job’s friends, God then restored Job’s fortunes. God knew He could trust Job with wealth and prestige because Job was a humble servant. Note that **four times in Job 42:7-8** God calls him **“My servant Job.”** God **gave Job twice what he had before.** Compare **Job 1:3** and **Job 42:12**. God did not give Job another fourteen sons and six daughters (double what he had before, **Job 1:2**), because the ten children who had died were still alive in heaven. Job had not lost them. So, God gave Job seven sons and three daughters, and the grand total was twice the number of children he had before.

### **The Lord Rebukes Job's Friends**

**Job 42:7** *And so it was, after the LORD had spoken these words to Job, that the LORD said to Eliphaz the Temanite, "My wrath is aroused against you and your two friends, for you have not spoken of Me what is right, as My servant (ebed – servant, bondservant) Job has.*

**Job 42:8** *Now therefore, take for yourselves seven bulls and seven rams, go to My servant Job, and offer up for yourselves a burnt offering; and My servant Job shall pray for you. For I will accept him, lest I deal with you according to your folly; because you have not spoken of Me what is right, as My servant Job has."*

- Job’s friends **are rebuked; Job is vindicated.** *My wrath is aroused against you and your two friends:* God rebuked Job’s three companions, addressing Eliphaz as their head, also who was the first of the three to speak. Elihu is not addressed by God in this final chapter, possibly God did not answer him as a way of dismissing him altogether.
- *You have not spoken of Me what is right, as My servant Job has:* The friends of Job spoke principles that, in their setting, have wisdom, but not in Job’s circumstance. “The wicked suffer! The righteous prosper! Job, you’re suffering, therefore you are wicked! Confess your sin!
- **Miserable comforters they were!** Their principles of wisdom did not apply. They presented God as angry and judgmental against Job when He was not. **This displeased God.** It must have displeased God so much that He specifically repeated the charge (**Job 42:8**);
- He **commanded them to sacrifice a burnt offering to make atonement for their sin; and He commanded them to humble themselves and ask Job to pray for them.** God didn’t require Job to offer a sacrifice as he had met this requirement long ago and merely needed to confess once again his own unworthiness, acknowledging utter dependence upon his Creator/Redeemer.
- **God’s rebuke of Eliphaz, Bildad, and Zophar was at the same time an explicit vindication of Job.** *“because you have not spoken of Me what is right, as My servant Job has."*
- **This definitive statement from God should put to rest our understanding of the long dialogue between Job and his “friends”.** It is presumptuous for those who would seek other understanding for this Book.

**Job 42:9** *So Eliphaz the Temanite and Bildad the Shuhite and Zophar the Naamathite went and did as the LORD commanded them; for the LORD had accepted Job.*

- The friends of Job **were accepted for Job’s sake, because the Lord had accepted Job.** God **made Job a mediator** to his friends. This must have been a **humbling and instructive experience for the friends,** and a **happy and healing experience for Job.** These did not attempt to justify themselves, they did exactly what God told them to, and in so doing they did a grand and noble thing, and took the only chance of getting to know God.

- They had attempted and failed to restore Job by philosophy. He was now to **restore them by prayer**, breaking Job of his own captivity (being restored) in the **activity of prayer on behalf of others**.
- **How wonderful this is! Without this requirement, there could have been bitterness in Job and shame for his three friends for the rest of their lives. The best way to heal and restore a relationship is to pray for each other!**

### The Lord Restores Job's Fortunes

*Job 42:10 And the LORD restored Job's losses when he prayed for his friends. Indeed the LORD gave Job twice as much as he had before.*

- It does not say that God turned the poverty of Job, nor the health of Job, nor his friendships; rather, *the LORD restored Job's losses when he prayed for his friends*. A man may be poor, sick, and friendless without being restored. Yet until Job had a revelation of God; until he humbled himself before God; until he brought atonement to his friends and prayed for them, he was in captivity.
- This happened after Job's relationship with his friends was restored (*when he prayed for his friends*). It would have been a **weak restoration** if Job's **relationship with Eliphaz, Bildad, and Zophar remained as contentious and bitter as it was** during their debate. The opportunity of **Job ministering to his friends was such a great blessing** to them! **But how God blessed Job, even more!**
- The interesting thing is that you cannot minister to others without being ministered to yourself. **That's a glorious thing! In ministering to others, you're always ministered to yourself.**

### SUMMARY:

- Job's friends are rebuked; Job is vindicated. *My wrath is aroused against you and your two friends*: God rebuked Job's three companions - *You have not spoken of Me what is right, as My servant Job has*: The friends of Job spoke many general principles, "The wicked suffer! The righteous prosper! Job, you're suffering, therefore you are wicked! Confess your sin! **Miserable comforters they were!**
- Their principles of wisdom did not apply to Job's situation. They presented God as angry and judgmental against Job when He was not. This displeased God. It must have displeased God so much that He specifically repeated the charge Job 42:8);
- **This definitive statement from God should put to rest our understanding of the long dialogue between Job and his "friends". It is presumptuous for those who would seek other understanding for this Book.**
- **He commanded them to sacrifice a burnt offering to make atonement** for their sin; and He commanded them to **humble themselves and ask Job to pray for them**. God didn't require Job for a sacrifice as he had met this requirement long ago.
- **How wonderful this is! Without this requirement, there could have been bitterness in Job and shame for his three friends for the rest of their lives. The best way to heal and restore a relationship is to pray for each other!**
- *So Eliphaz . . . Bildad . . . and Zophar . . . went and did as the Lord commanded them; for the Lord had accepted Job*: The friends of Job were accepted for Job's sake, because **the Lord had accepted Job**. God made Job a mediator to his friends. This must have been a **humbling and instructive experience** for the friends, and a **happy and healing experience for Job**.
- These **did not attempt to justify themselves**, they **did exactly what God told them to**, and in so doing they did a grand and noble thing, and took the only chance of getting to know God.
- They had **attempted and failed to restore Job by philosophy**. He was **now to restore them by prayer**, breaking Job of his own captivity **in the activity of prayer on behalf of others**.
- It does not say that God turned the poverty of Job, nor the health of Job, nor his friendships; rather, literally, **God restored what was captured from Job**. Until Job had a **revelation of God**; until he **humbled himself before God**; until he **brought atonement to his friends and prayed for them**, was **he restored**. This happened after Job's relationship with his friends was restored (*when he prayed for his friends*). It would have been a **weak restoration if Job's relationship with Eliphaz, Bildad, and Zophar remained as contentious and bitter as it was** during their debate.
- **You cannot minister to others without being ministered to yourself**. That's a glorious thing! That's the glorious thing about the ministry. In ministering to others, you're always ministered to yourself.

### Holy, Holy, Holy- London Orchestra Festival

*1. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.*

*Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity!*

*2. Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.*

*4. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.*

*Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity. AMEN!*

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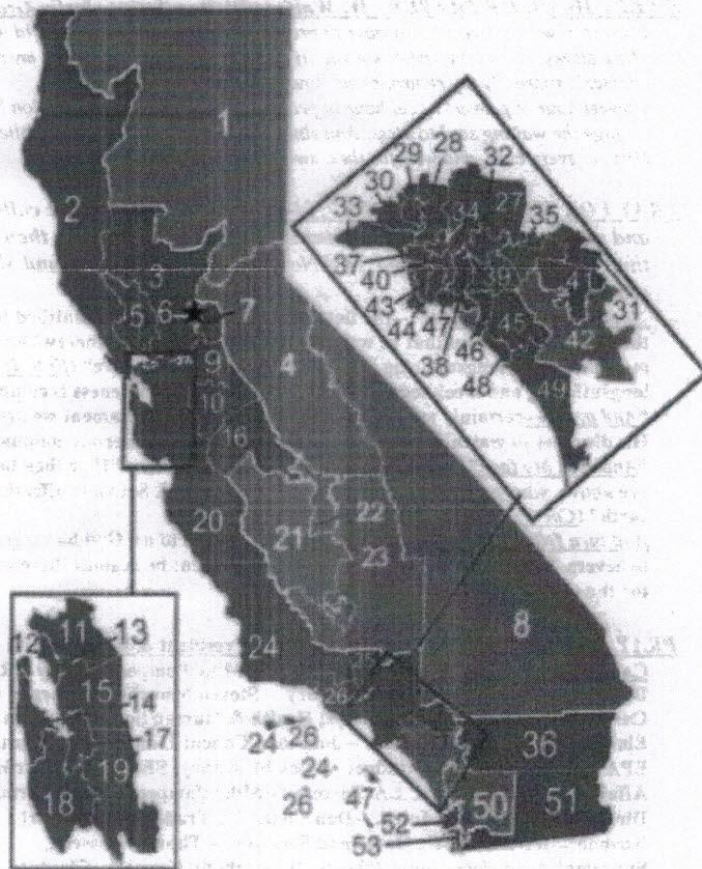
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