

It's a job to be Job!

JOB 1:1-3

Questions are based on the New International Version (NIV) 2011 edition.

LESSON 1

1. What truth, verse, or insight from last week's study of the **Job Overview** was helpful to you?
2. Our suggestion is that each time you get ready to start a lesson, begin with a prayer.
For example, "Lord, if You were here with me (and You are), what would You want me to learn today?" Then read **Job 1:1-3** and jot down your first impression of our main character, Job.
3. In **V1**, what are the four ways Job's character is described?
4. What do you think it means to be "blameless?"
5. How is "blameless" described in **Psalms 19:13** and **119:1**?
6. What are some of the benefits for those who are "blameless?"

Psalms 37:18 _____

Psalms 84:11 _____

Proverbs 11:20 _____

7. a) Read **Hebrews 7:24-26**. Who is "blameless?"

- b) The reality is: none of us are truly blameless (**Psalms 130:3-4**). How does one become blameless according to:

Ephesians 1:4 _____

1 Thessalonians 3:13 _____

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24 _____

8. What do you think it means to be “upright,” and how does this differ from being “blameless?”

9. What do the following verses say about being “upright?”

Psalms 119:7 _____

Proverbs 16:17 _____

Proverbs 21:29 _____

10. a) How is God described as “upright” in **Deuteronomy 32:4**?

b) Being “upright,” what is God entitled to do according to **Psalms 25:8**?

11. Biblically speaking, how is a person made “upright?” For one possible answer, see **Titus 2:11-14**.

12. a) What do you think it means to “fear God?”

b) Although the “fear of the Lord” is often linked to the Old Testament, how is it evidenced in the early New Testament Church? (**Acts 9:31** and **1 Peter 1:17**)

13. a) How does **Job 28:28** tie together “fearing God” with “shunning evil?”

b) Name some specific ways you could shun evil.

14. a) Read **Job 1:2-3** and describe what Job had and was known for.

b) What do you think may have contributed to Job's wealth & standing (See **Proverbs 22:1-2, 4**)?

c) Do you think it is harder for those "who have" versus those "who have not" to live upright before God? Explain your response.

15. What are some of God's thoughts and warnings about riches?

Jeremiah 9:23-24 _____

Matthew 19:23-24 _____

1 Timothy 6:9-10 _____

1 Timothy 6:17-19 _____

16. From what you've learned and from your perspective, how could it have been "**a job to be Job?**"

DIGGING DEEPER

1. One of the descriptions of Job was that he feared God. Read **Jeremiah 32:39-40**.

a) What does God give us so that we fear Him?

b) What do you think it means to have a "singleness of heart and action?"

c) Name the blessings that come from fearing God.

2. According to **Luke 1:50**, what are additional blessings from fearing God?

3. How do you reconcile verses like **Luke 12:5** and **1 John 4:18**?

4. a) Write out the Suggested Memory Verse: **Psalms 84:11**

b) Form a prayer from anything you learned in this Lesson or from the Memory Verse.

