

Is God Enough?

Job 42:1 - 6; 10

I. Is God Enough?

- A. Adrian Rodgers messages – Can God be Trusted in Times of Trouble?
- B. Obvious answer for any professing believer – Yes
- C. Trouble times faced – death, financial crisis, difficult relationship, serious health condition – speaking more specifically on time of unexpected trouble, not trouble as result of some bad choice or behavior
- D. **Question:** What was your attitude towards God? Feel forsaken, anger, cheated or feel God was being unfair; or, knew God was in control, knew God had plan and purpose in trouble, knew God still loved you just as much as ever?
- E. Anyone familiar at all with Bible knows the account of one man who fell into a time of trial and lost everything – Job; what’s difficult to understand, God allowed all this to happen to Job
- F. **Question:** Can God put an immediate end to any type of suffering today? Yes; Can God stop spread of coronavirus immediately? Yes
- G. **Question:** Why doesn’t He? World is corrupted, marred, infected by sin because people in this world choose to rebel against God, and God allows human beings to make that choice; sickness, suffering, death in this world all the result of sin in the world – the prince of this world of sin is Satan
- H. **Question:** Is God enough for us when we do suffer because of sin in this world? Job faced with same question and what did Job find out in his suffering?
- I. **READ Job 42:1 – 6, 10**
- J. Before God brought restoration to Job, Job’s point of repentance and confession before God – threefold confession

II. 1 – Power of God (Omnipotence)

- A. God’s power is unlimited, God can do anything He desires
- B. Satan’s power is limited, Satan can do only what he’s allowed to do
- C. **Question:** Why would God allow Satan to do so much evil in the world? Testing, draw people back to God Himself, lead people to see how much they need God, grow with people a desire to seek a relationship with God
- D. See, Satan himself is even used by God at times to accomplish the purposes and plan of God; God used Satan to bring Job to a place where Job would have a greater understanding and appreciation for the power of God
- E. **REFER v. 2**

III. **2 – Perfect Plans of God**

- A. **First, some plans, purposes of God we'll never understand why; just have to trust whatever troubles we face God has a perfect purpose for it**
- B. **Key – Trust**
- C. **Scott, last Sunday am: Proverbs 3:5 (NIV)**
5 Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding;
- D. **Question: Whenever face difficult situations, more natural to “trust” God, or to “question” God? Nothing wrong with questioning God, Job questioned God a lot (the whole book)**
- E. **Don't know the plan, purpose of God behind what we're facing as a world, nation now – but, I know like Job – *whom I have believed; and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I've committed unto Him against that day*; plan, purpose of God in our situation and circumstance we are in today is PERFECT**
- F. **God's words to prophet Isaiah: Isaiah 55:8-9 (NIV)**
8 "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways," declares the LORD.
9 "As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

IV. **3 – Needed to Know More of God**

- A. **REFER v. 3**
- B. **If there's one thing we can all understand that God is trying to teach us in difficult, uncertain times is – we need to know Him more**
- C. **When God came to this earth in flesh, in the person of Jesus Christ, He felt, suffered, struggled, cried just like we do**
- D. **The difficulties, trials of this world that He endured were hard for Him just like they're hard for us**
- E. **Jesus knew sorrow, pain, heartache, rejection – Jesus knows right now our fears, our anxieties, our feelings of uncertainty that we're feeling today**
- F. **Hebrews 4:15-16 (NIV)**
15 For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are--yet was without sin.
16 **Let us then approach the throne of grace** with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

V. **Close**

- A. **My prayer and challenge for all of us today – let's go to the *throne of***

grace

- B. Where we'll find mercy, grace, assurance, confidence, strength, power during the uncertain, difficult days ahead**
- C. Be encouraged today that God is in control, He is power, His plans and purposes are perfect**
- D. Use these days ahead to get to know God, our Savior more in prayer, spending time in His Word**
- E. Need prayer – use chat; talk to me in more detail, call church office this week (give num)**
- F. CLOSE IN PRAYER – Be safe, be well, abide in Jesus; join on Wednesday, 6:00 pm (send link)**