

INTRODUCTION TO Job

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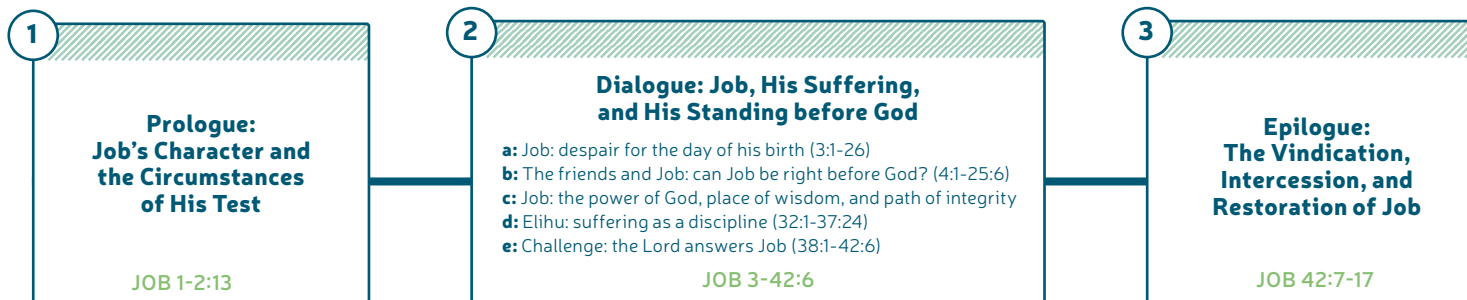
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WHERE IS IT IN THE BIBLE?

- 15. EZRA
- 16. NEHEMIAH
- 17. ESTHER
- 18. JOB**
- 19. PSALMS
- 20. PROVERBS
- 21. ECCLESIASTES

BASIC STRUCTURE

42 CHAPTERS



KEY VERSES

Job 2:3 Then the Lord said to Satan, "Have you considered my servant Job? No one else on earth is like him, a man of perfect integrity, who fears God and turns away from evil. He still retains his integrity, even though you incited me against him, to destroy him for no good reason."

Job 13:15 Even if he kills me, I will hope in him. I will still defend my ways before him.

Job 40:8 Would you really challenge my justice? Would you declare me guilty to justify yourself?

KEY THEMES

1. **Sovereignty:** The sovereignty of God is one of the most prominent themes of this book. In the opening chapters, the reader is allowed to see into heaven's throne room where divine decisions affecting both heaven and earth are made. God controls Satan's power and man's circumstances.
2. **Suffering:** Suffering is front and center in the book of Job. The book deals with the question: Why do the righteous suffer? The righteous may ask why, yet God is not obligated to explain His ways to His creatures. The truth is, God's ways are above our ways. Yet, He is always good, and always has a purpose behind all suffering, often unrevealed. Job never knew why he suffered.
3. **Submission:** Job serves as an example for all believers as he humbly submits to the sovereign rule of God over his life. Job's reaction to tragedy is ultimately one of submission as he acknowledges God's sovereignty over all in his life.

BOOK BASICS



DATE
Unknown



TYPE
Wisdom Literature



AUTHOR
Unknown

While the book itself is named after its main character, it cannot be determined with certainty who wrote it, nor are we certain of the date. The events of the book seem to be set in the times of the patriarchs.