

RELIGION

OVERCOMING OBSTACLES—*The Story of Job*

Suffering is a part of life's experiences. Most people view **suffering** as something negative. When God allows us to go through sufferings it **produces** positive characteristics in a person's life. Through suffering we become (**stronger and more resilient**).



'The Story of Job'



Job was very **wealthy**, but he love and honored God.



Satan was watching Job's life and told God- "Job only loves you for what he can get out of you." "If things go wrong for him, he would stop serving you!"



God gave Satan **permission** to put Job to the test - but he was told to not touch Job's body.



Soon after, all of Job's children died, his **7 000** sheep, **3 000** camels, **500** oxen and **500** donkeys were taken away. Job didn't blame God for all that had happened to him.



Satan went back to God to ask permission to touch Job's body. God agreed - but Job's life was to be spared.



Soon Job's body was filled with horrible boils he was in constant pain; his wife told him to curse God and die.



Even Job's friends came to him and told him he must have sinned against God for all these bad things to be happening against him.



After Job questioned God about what was going on in his life - God blessed Job once more.

A. **He had 7 sons and 3 beautiful daughters**

B. He gave him back more than he had in the beginning

'Job got double for his trouble'

HOMEWORK

Due Friday Jan. 15th, 2021 - 1pm

1. Write a brief note to Job, telling him how to be strong and convince him of God's love for him. (3pts.)

2. Select and write out a Bible verse that can encourage someone who is going through a hard time. (3 pts.)

3. How can we cope in difficult times? (2 pts.)

4. How did Job display trust in God? (2 pts.)
