

Job

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In the book of Job, there are a number of principles that are exciting and encouraging to unearth. However, the one major truth that I find to be more heartening than any other is the providence of the Almighty. God is in complete control, period!

I find it interesting, and conclusive to the importance of this truth, that practically throughout the entire book, Job was being attacked and manipulated in hopes that he might doubt this one major principle.

As powerful and wise as Satan is, it is encouraging to be reminded also of his lack of true power, as even his actions are restricted by God himself. It is reassuring to be reminded of God's obvious control over all things created, and His ever continuous watch care and providence. To know that God is always aware of our condition and to know that He is in complete control is extremely comforting.

We can see that several times Satan presented himself before the LORD, knowing himself, that he could do nothing without God's permission. We see several occasions where God permitted him to act, however setting stick and defined limitations. These were divine limitations and restrictions that interestingly enough, Satan never argued with, because Satan knew the providence of God.

One of the things that I have learned and that the Lord has used Job to reinforce is the absolute need for me to trust, that all situations that come my way are not necessarily brought about by the Lord, but are all allowed by Him for His purpose and my good.

I believe that we, as Job did, need to be reminded of who created all things and who is in ultimate control. And although at times we may not be able to answer the question “why me”, this we can know this for sure, that God is in control. And we can say with Job, that “thou canst do everything”.

“We should not be asking ourselves the question, “Why me?” . We should be asking ourselves the question “Why not me”.” - Unknown