

1:6-12 (heaven) sons of God -- angels.
The Lord knows Satan is "walking around ...
like a roaring lion," getting people to sin.

- "Have you tried to get Job to sin?"

- Satan: Job obeys you because of what he gets out of you.
- God has blessed and protected Job in everything.
- Selfish attitude will show if you let me blast him.

1:13-22 (earth)

- Satan picks a normal day.
- Destroys Job's possessions in order of increasing value.
- Uses both human and heavenly agencies so that it looks like both God and man are against him.
- Rapid succession intended to break Job so he will curse God.
- Job maintains his integrity.

2:1-7a (heaven)

- Key: "You incited me to against him without cause."
- Why did the Lord allow this?

- Not guilty of sin; Job does not deserve this.

|| - So that the angels, Satan, and all men would see in Job a man who served God purely because he loved Him and with no ulterior motives.

- The trial is intended to show that Job's love for God is real. God may allow trials to happen to us today for the same reason.

- "Skin for skin" -- A man will give anyone else's skin to save his own.

2:7b-13 (earth)

- Job's wife becomes an unconscious ally of Satan.
- Is no reason to expect Job to life.
- Death is preferable to his suffering.
- Job: Is our duty to submit no matter what God brings.

3 Friends: Come from a distance to comfort, mourn with him.

- 7 days/nights is one OT period of mourning.
- Custom: Don't speak to someone mourning unless he speaks to you first (can talk to others around him).
- Friends add to Job's pain and misery.

Job 3 Job laments the day he was born.

- He has no explanation for these sufferings.
- Expresses a human wish to be free from his suffering.