

Melbourne Community Church (MCC)

Sunday Service — November 7, 2021

Sermon Notes: “Job’s Final Defense”, by Curt Deming, Teaching Pastor, [Job 28-31](#). Old Testament Reading: [Psalm 111:1-10](#). New Testament Reading: [1 Peter 1:17-21](#).

What we will learn?

- Humans are capable of great accomplishments, but wisdom is beyond us ([Job 28:1-2](#))
- Wisdom is beyond price ([Job 28:13-20](#))
- God is the source of wisdom ([Job 28:21-28](#))

Big questions:

- *Why do the righteous suffer?*
- *Who is wise?*
- *Can God be trusted?*

Outline of Job:

- Prologue ([1-2](#)) — three weeks ago
- Job’s lament ([3](#)) — two weeks ago
- Job’s friends ([4-25](#))— last week
- Job’s reply ([26-31](#)) — this week
- Elihu ([32-37](#))
- The Lord ([38-42:6](#))
- Epilogue ([42:7-17](#))

What learned three weeks ago: ([Job 1-2](#))

- Sin causes suffering, but not all suffering is caused by sin.
- For God’s people, suffering can be purposeful.
- Sometimes there is more going on than we can see.

What have we learned two weeks: ([Job 3:1-26](#))

- We should be quick to listen and slow to speak.
- We should bring concerns to God, not complain about Him.
- Jesus is The Righteous One who suffered on our behalf.

What we will learned last week? ([Job 4-27](#))

- With increased intimacy comes greater power to give comfort or inflict pain. ([Job 16:2-3](#))
- Truthful words are not always useful words.
- When our Redeemer returns, he will bring vindication. ([Job 19:25-27](#))

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Job 29 — the old days

- Life was good (v. [1-7](#))
- All treated me with respect (v. [8-10](#))
- I cared for the vulnerable (v. [11-17](#))
- I thought it would end well (v. [18-25](#))

Job 30 — disdain

- Lowlifes laugh at me (v. [1-10](#))
- I've been shamed by God, beset by a mob (v. [11-15](#))
- The Lord attacks me (v. [16-19](#))
- The Lord does not respond to me (v. [20-23](#))
- The Lord should help me (v. [34-31](#))

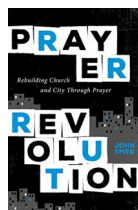
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- I have not made gold my god (v. [24-28](#))
- Can I talk to God about this? (v. [29-40](#))

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