



Where Is God in All This?

A LENTEN JOURNEY THROUGH

JOB

A SERMON SERIES

February 22 - March 22

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF
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First Sunday of Lent – February 22

When the Bottom Falls out

Read

Job 1:1-22; 2:11-13



Reflect

- What emotions arise as you read of Job's losses?
- Who has "sat with you in silence" in a painful season?
- Why does the book begin with companionship, not answers?
- How might you offer this presence to someone during Lent?

Pray

God of our beginnings,
when life collapses beneath us, hold us fast.
Give us courage to tell the truth about our pain
and grace to receive the presence of others. Amen.

Practice

Spend 2 minutes in silence each day this week.

Notice whatever surfaces and hold it before God.

Suggested New Testament Text

Romans 8:31-39.



Second Sunday of Lent – March 1

The Courage to Lament

Read

Job 3

Optional: Job 6:1-13; 7:11-21



Reflect

- What in Job's lament challenges you?
- How does honest lament deepen faith?
- What would lament look like in your own prayer life?
- Where do you see a need for collective lament today?

Pray

O Lord who hears our cries,
teach us the holy language of lament. Free us from pretending.
Meet us in the truth of our deepest sorrows. Amen.

Practice

Write a one-sentence lament each day this week.
Offer it to God without judgment.

Suggested New Testament Text

Mark 15:33-39



Third Sunday of Lent – March 8

When Religion Offers Easy Answers

Read

Job 8:1–7; 11:1–6; 22:1–5;
9:1–13; 12:1–5; 23:1–9



Reflect

- Where do the friends offer explanations instead of compassion?
- Have you ever received an “easy answer” to real suffering?
- Why are simple explanations so tempting?
- What would a Christlike response look like?

Pray

God of compassion,
deliver us from the temptation to offer easy answers.
Make us tender toward the pain of others
and humble before mysteries we cannot explain. Amen.

Practice

When tempted to 'fix' someone's pain,
pause and practice deep listening.

Suggested New Testament Text
John 9:1–7



Fourth Sunday of Lent – March 15

God in the Whirlwind

Read

Job 38:1–18; 40:1–5



Reflect

- What surprises you about God's response?
- How does God's creation tour shift Job's perspective?
- When has awe changed the way you saw your life?
- How might you cultivate wonder during Lent?

Pray

Creator of galaxies and sparrows,
open our eyes to the wonder of your world.

Expand our imaginations
and teach us humility before your wisdom. Amen.

Practice

Take a brief 'awe walk' each day this week.

Notice something that evokes wonder.

Suggested New Testament Text

Matthew 6:25–35



Fifth Sunday of Lent – March 22

Restoration and a New Beginning

Read

Job 42:1–6; 10–17



Reflect

- What does Job’s final response show about transformation?
- How is restoration different from “back to normal”?
- Where have you experienced healing that honored your wounds?
- How does Job prepare us for resurrection hope?

Pray

God of restoration,
shape us into people whose wounds
become sources of compassion.
Prepare our hearts for the hope of resurrection. Amen.

Practice

Identify a place in need of healing and pray daily:
“Restore me to who you are calling me to become.”

Suggested New Testament Text
2 Corinthians 5:16–21



