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Job Loses His Property and Children

Scripture Reading: Job 1:13-22

Satan planned to bring sorrow and grief upon Job so that he would despise and curse the Lord. 1. A gang of thieves called the Sabeans raided Job's oxen that were plowing and the donkeys that were feeding and also killed the servants who were taking care of them. 2. Satan sent fire from the sky and burnt up the sheep and the servants who were grazing them. 3. The Chaldeans took away the camels and also killed the servants by sword. 4. Job's sons and daughters were feasting in their house, suddenly a great wind struck the four corners of the house and it fell on the young people killing them all. In this manner, Satan destroyed Job's property and his dear children. After each event, a servant escaped and came to inform Job. After this four sided attack, it was only Job with his wife and the four servants who escaped.



Dear kids, are you filled with pity for Job? Satan challenged God and brought forth a worse destruction on Job. What did Job do in such a situation? When Job heard all of this, he arose and tore his cloths in grief. He shaved his head and fell to the ground and said to the Lord, *“Naked I came from my mother’s womb, and naked shall I return there. The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; Blessed be the name of the Lord”*. Oh my goodness...! What daring faith did Job have to ever make such a statement? Job very well knew that it was God who blessed him and gave all that he possessed, that’s the reason he was able to boldly say those words. Satan had a big hit. He expected something different from Job, whereas Job blessed the Lord wholeheartedly. Dear children, even we should never speak against God at times of trouble, losses and pain. We should pray to God to change the situation around us and bring in peace.

“In all this Job sinned not, nor charged God foolishly.” Job 1:22

Prayer

Our loving, gracious, merciful heavenly Father, we thank You. Just like Job we too will praise you and worship You even in times of sorrow. Amen

