

## *The Book of Job Home Group Notes 10*

### **Job 40:6 – 42:17 Happy ever after?**

**Set the scene:** Do you like happy endings? Why/why not? What is the best film ending you have seen? Why that one?

#### **Hear from God: Read Job 40:6-24**

1. What is God talking about here? Why is this what Job needs to hear?
2. What basic criticism does God make of Job in 40:8-14?
3. We saw last time God is in control of the world. What is he also in control of according to these verses?
4. What/who are the Leviathan and Behemoth? (ch.41)  
What point is God making about them concerning himself? (Is this made clearer by 42:2?)
5. How is that reassuring?

#### **Hear from God: Read Job 42**

6. What effect do God's speeches have on Job?  
What is Job's response to God's speeches?
7. What exactly do you think Job is repenting of?  
(Looking at 42:8c what did he not need to repent of?)
8. What good and striking thing results from the way God speaks to Job (42:5)?
9. What is God's opinion of Job's friends?
10. From Job's role in 42:8, how different is God's opinion of Job from that of his friends?
11. What exactly did Job's friends get wrong about God?
12. What happens to Job after he prays for his friends?

## **Apply these things to your life**

13. Are you satisfied with how the book of Job ends?
14. Should we expect a happy end in our life? When?
15. How can we truthfully & faithfully spur one another on in longing for future joy and justification?
16. Why is the truth about God's character an immensely comforting thing to say to people who are suffering?
17. How would you use the truths of God here to:-
  - a. Speak into your own situations?
  - b. Counsel others with the truth in love?
18. Try to sum up in one or two words why Job is the impressive human character in this book?
19. On a piece of paper, write down what you think the biggest thing you have learnt from our series in Job. Write down also how you might share that to encourage someone else (if appropriate)

## **Prayer ideas**

- Ask the Lord for help in being more honest in crying out to him
- Ask the Lord that we might be more honest in speaking to others
- Thank Jesus that he is a friend and saviour who left the comfort of heaven to come alongside his suffering people
- Pray for our preparation for Advent and Christmas that we might be truly full of thanks for the Lord: Emmanuel, Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Eternal Father
- Pray that we might be ready in this season of enforced jollity to look for others who are hurting, and get alongside them