

Sunday Morning Worship April 19

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Summary

Seeing Christ in Job: The True Mediator and King

Scripture References

- Job 42:7–17
- 1 Corinthians 13
- Genesis 3:15
- John 17:12
- Luke 24:44
- Hebrews 10:12
- Ephesians 1:6; 1:20–22
- Revelation 11:15; 4:10–11; 19:9
- Romans 1:18
- Isaiah 53
- Psalm 46:10

Introduction

- Final message in the Job series, aiming to interpret suffering and blessing through God's sovereignty.
- Common misreading: Job as a guide to personal restoration.
- Preacher redirects focus—Job ultimately foreshadows Jesus; the book is about God's glory, not human comfort.

Key Points / Exposition

1. Job 42:7–9 – Christ the Mediator Foreshadowed

- God's wrath burns against the three friends for false theology.
- They must bring sacrifices; yet God accepts them only through Job's intercession.
- Typology: Mediator must truly represent both God and man—fulfilled perfectly in Jesus.
 - Job's limited mediation → Christ's perfect, once-for-all mediation (Heb 10:12).
 - Friends' works-based view rejected; salvation is grace through an appointed mediator (Eph 1:6).

2. Propitiation and Acceptance in the Beloved

- Propitiation defined: wrath diverted from sinners to substitute.
- Romans 1:18 shows need; Isaiah 53 describes the Suffering Servant.
- Jesus' "Father, forgive them" parallels Job's prayer—intercession secures pardon.

3. Job 42:10–17 – Christ the Exalted King

- After praying, Job receives double blessing, communal feast, daughters granted inheritance.
- Shadow of Christ's exaltation:
 - Seated at God's right hand (Eph 1:20-22; Heb 10:12).
 - Kingdom proclaimed (Rev 11:15).
 - Marriage Supper of the Lamb prefigured (Rev 19:9).
- Job's 140 extra years vs. Christ's endless reign—type vs. fulfillment.

4. Reading Job Correctly

- Prosperity interpretation (endure → get double) mirrors friends' false merit theology.
- Psalm 46:10—God will be exalted apart from our performance.
- Suffering and blessing alike serve to display God's steadfastness and gospel.

5. Working and Resting in Christ

- Scripture mirrors God first, then ourselves.
- Believers work in obedience yet rest in Christ's finished work.
- White-knuckle endurance without Christ leads to despair; fix eyes on Him (1 Cor 13's "dimly/then face-to-face").

Major Lessons & Revelations

- All Scripture testifies of Christ (Luke 24:44); Job is a Christological book.
- Jesus alone is Prophet, Priest, and King—perfect Mediator and Ruler.
- Grace, not merit, secures acceptance; even endurance is God-enabled.
- God's purposes in suffering transcend personal comfort, aiming at His glory.
- Final celebration, inheritance, and reign belong to Christ and all united to Him.

Practical Application

- Examine whether your hope rests on merit or on Christ's mediation.

- In trials:
 - Pursue Christ in Scripture and prayer.
 - Intercede for others, reflecting Job/Jesus.
- In blessings:
 - Acknowledge gifts as undeserved grace.
 - Use resources to serve the body (e.g., tech team, safety team opportunities announced).
- Practice Psalm 46:10 stillness—work faithfully while resting in His finished work.

Conclusion & Call to Response

- Storyline of life is Christ's victory, not our comfort.
- Repent of self-centered readings; embrace the exalted Savior.
- Invitation: trust the Mediator, rest in His atonement, and live as more-than-conquerors in Him.

Prayer

- Gratitude for Jesus' perfect mediation and eternal kingship.
- Petition for clearer sight of His glory amid every circumstance.
- Intercession for those suffering (e.g., Ricky's recovery) and for deeper unity and service within the church.