

## Deeper Study Guide

### Job 42:7–17 — “*Seeing Christ in the End*”

## Main Idea

The book of Job is not ultimately about Job—it is about the glory of God revealed in **Christ**, our Mediator, Sacrifice, and King.

## Sermon Structure

### 1. Christ the Mediator (Job 42:7–9)

#### Key Truth:

Job stands as a *type* pointing to Christ—the true and perfect Mediator.

#### What we see:

- God rebukes the friends for speaking wrongly about Him
- Job is called “My servant” and is accepted by God
- The friends must go **through Job** to be accepted

#### Critical Insight:

- The sacrifice alone did not save them
- **God accepted Job’s prayer—not their works**

#### This points to Christ:

- Jesus is the **true Mediator** (fully God, fully man)
- He alone represents both God and man perfectly
- We are accepted **in the Beloved (Christ)**

#### Cross References:

- 1 Timothy 2:5
- Hebrews 4:15
- Ephesians 1:6

### 2. Christ the Propitiation (Job 42:8)

#### Key Truth:

God’s wrath is not ignored—it is satisfied.

#### What we see:

- A sacrifice is required
- Sin must be judged
- Forgiveness comes through mediation

**Important Clarification:**

God does not “let sin slide” — His justice must be satisfied.

**This points to Christ:**

- Jesus absorbs the wrath we deserve
- He is both:
  - The sacrifice
  - The one who prays on our behalf

 Cross References:

- Romans 3:25
- Isaiah 53:5–6
- Luke 23:34

### 3. Christ the King (Job 42:10–17)

**Key Truth:**

After suffering comes exaltation — not as a reward earned, but as God’s sovereign purpose.

**What we see:**

- Job is restored *after* completing what God commanded
- He receives blessing, honor, and fellowship
- His latter days are greater than his former

**But here’s the shift:**

This is not mainly about Job’s restoration — it points to Christ’s exaltation.

**This points to Christ:**

- Christ suffered → then was exalted
- Christ finished the work → then sat down at the right hand of God

 Cross References:

- Hebrews 10:12
- Ephesians 1:20–22
- Revelation 19:9

## 4. A Warning: Don't Misread Job

### Key Truth:

Job is not a formula for getting blessing.

⚠ The Danger:

“If I endure faithfully, God will bless me like Job.”

That thinking:

- Turns suffering into a transaction
- Makes God obligated to reward us
- Mirrors the theology of Job's friends

👉 That is **prosperity gospel thinking**

### Correct Understanding:

- Job points to Christ—not to a method of blessing
- The goal is not restoration—it is **revelation of God**

## Theological Takeaways

- God's glory—not our comfort—is central
- Christ is:
  - Our Mediator
  - Our Substitute
  - Our King
- Suffering and blessing both serve God's purposes
- We are accepted **only through Christ**

## Application Questions

### Personal Reflection

- Do I view suffering as something to “get through” or as something that reveals God?
- Am I trusting Christ—or subtly trusting my endurance?

### Gospel Clarity

- Where am I tempted to think God “owes” me for faithfulness?
- Do I rest in Christ's finished work, or am I trying to earn favor?

## Worship Response

- How does seeing Christ in Job deepen my worship?
- What does it look like to fix my eyes on Christ—not outcomes?

## Family Worship Section

### Read Together:

Job 42:7–10

### Discuss:

- Why did God accept Job’s prayer instead of the friends’ sacrifices?
- What does this teach us about Jesus?

### Simple Truth for Kids:

👉 “We are accepted by God because of Jesus—not because of what we do.”

### Pray:

Thank God for sending Jesus to take our place and bring us to Him.

## Key Quotes from the Sermon

- “This ending is not about Job at all.”
- “It was not the sacrifice that God accepted—it was the prayer of His servant.”
- “Life is not about you—it is about God’s glory.”
- “Christ is victorious—not you, not me.”

## Final Takeaway

Job endured—but **Christ accomplished**.

And because of Him:

- You don’t have to earn acceptance
- You don’t have to sustain yourself
- You don’t have to fear the outcome

👉 You rest in the finished work of Christ.