



The Gospel According to Job

April 19: Eliphaz Accuses

Job 15 (Second Cycle)

A Bible Study at St. John Lutheran Church

Which Bible translation do we typically use?

CSB: Christian Standard Bible

ESV: English Standard Version

LSB: Legacy Standard Bible

NASB (1995): New American Standard Bible

NET: New English Translation

NIV (1984): New International Version

NKJV: New King James Version

NLT: New Living Translation

Narrative Frame: Job 1-3

Job's Three Cycles in Dialogue:

1. Cycle One: Job 4-14
2. Cycle Two: Job 15-21
3. Cycle Three: Job 22-27

Wisdom Hymn: Job 28

Job's Three Series of Discourses

1. Job: Job 29-31
2. Elihu: Job 32-37
3. Yahweh: Job 38-41

Narrative Frame: Job 42

What is the proper posture before God that this book suggests?

How does God refine our faith? Is this a necessary process?

Psalm 139:23-24 Search me, O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts! And see if there be any grievous way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting!

Job 15:1-6

How does Eliphaz evaluate Job's speeches?

What is Job lacking? Is this a common deficiency?

Psalm 1:1-2 Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers; but his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night.

Job 15:7-10

What is the council of God? What benefit do Job's counselors have over Job?

Job 15:11-14

What is wrong with Job's heart and spirit?

How does Eliphaz diagnose all of humanity?

Job 15:15-16

Who are God's holy ones?

^{NKJ} **Job 15:15** If *God* puts no trust in His saints, And the heavens are not pure in His sight,
^{NLT} **Job 15:15** Why, God doesn't even trust the angels! Even the heavens cannot be absolutely pure in his sight.

Job 15:17-24

Why should Job trust Eliphaz? What is his conclusion?

Job 15:25-30

What happens to those who set themselves against the Almighty?

^{NLT} **Job 15:27** These wicked people are fat and rich.

Job 15:31-35

What happens when we trust in emptiness? What category mistake does Eliphaz make?

Matthew 6:19-21 Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.