

“When Troubles Come Our Way”

Lesson Text: **Job 14:1.**

I. Recognize The Source Of Our Troubles.

- The Sources Of Trouble:
 - **Satan**- The Real cause Of Job’s troubles! **Job 1-2.**
 - **God**- Who Only Troubles Us For Our Good **Psalm 107:10-15.**
 - **Self**- When We Bring Troubles On Ourselves.
 - **Others**- When Other People Cause Us Trouble.
- Some Are Unavoidable, Yet Must Be Endured- **Job 5:6-7; Matthew 6:34.**
- Some Of Our Troubles Are “Self-Inflicted.”
 - By Being Cruel To Others- **Proverbs 11:17.**
 - Troubling Our Family- **11:29.**
 - By Not Controlling Our Tongue- **Proverbs 21:23.**
 - By Bad Judgment- **Proverbs 26:17.**
- Some Are Accidental, And No Fault Of Own- **Ecclesiastes 9:11-12.**
- Many Are The Results Of Sin’s Consequences- **Job 4:8; Joshua 7:25.**

II. What Do We Do With Our Troubles?

- If It Is Because Of Sin— Harden Our Heart Or Repent? **1 Kings 18:17-18.**
- We Can Become Discouraged & Give Up? **Hebrews 12:3; 1 Thessalonians 5:14.**
- We Can Become Bitter, Mean-Spirited, & Angry? **Colossians 3:8.**
- We Can Learn From Them? **Proverbs 29:11 (ESV).**
- We Can Be An Example Of Strength & Courage? **James 5:11.**

III. Finding The Good In Our Troubles.

- Good Can Result From Troubles, Just Have To Look. **Genesis 50:20.**
 - When Life Gives You Lemons....
- Troubles Can Show Us That Sin Is Undesirable- **Psalm 119:71.**
- Troubles Can Turn Us Back To God:
 - Take Delight In God’s Word- **Psalm 119:143; 119:92.**
 - Can Improve Your Prayer Life- **Psalm 142:1-2; 122:1-9....**
Attendance, & Sincerity of Worship.
- Troubles Can Develop Patience, Courage, & Strength Of Character- **James 1:2-4.**

Conclusion: **Psalm 37:39.** God Is Bigger Than Our Troubles!