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Scripture Text:

Ps 10:1 *Why standest thou afar off, O Lord? why hidest thou thyself in times of trouble?*

Ps 22:1 *My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? why art thou so far from helping me, and from the words of my roaring?*

Ps 42:9 *Why hast thou forgotten me? why go I mourning because of the oppression of the enemy?*

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Paul Blair

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My friends,

I am on the way to my first appointment at MD Anderson.

I have a very fast growing throat cancer. Over the last two weeks, I have gone from eating normally to now barely being able to sip water. It is very painful.

Cindy and I are at peace with whatever God does and we will glorify Him regardless of the outcome.

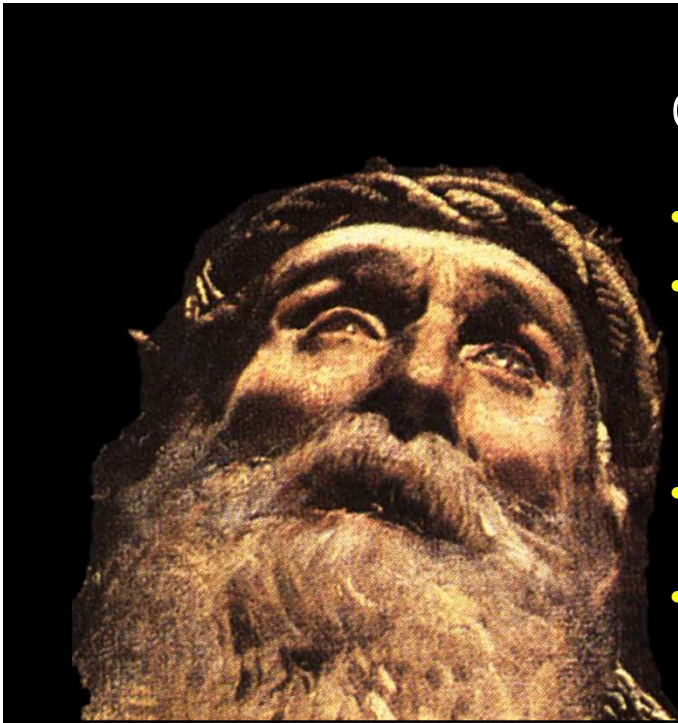
However, I ask for your fervent prayers today all day. Pray the doctors can diagnose perfectly and implement the correct treatment plan immediately and Pray for my healing.

It was amazing the day I was told I had cancer. I had no fear of death or concerns about my eternity in heaven with my Lord Jesus. However, I wish to grow old with my wife, see my sons get married and one day hold my grandchildren. Pray!!

Thank you my friends!!

Paul

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Outline

- **Chapters 1-3** – the narrative of the story
- **Chapters 4-37** – the debate between Job and four of his “friends” came to call and made accusations against Job as to why he was suffering. (Hypocrite, unconfessed sin, godless, self-righteous)
- **Chapter 38 – 41** – God let his opinion by known to Job.
- **Chapter 42** – Job’s prayer and response.

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Job 1:8

And the Lord said unto Satan, Hast thou considered my servant Job, that there is none like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright man, one that feareth God, and escheweth evil?



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Job 1:9-11

Then Satan answered the Lord, and said, Doth Job fear God for nought? Hast not thou made an hedge about him, and about his house, and about all that he hath on every side? thou hast blessed the work of his hands, and his substance is increased in the land. But put forth thine hand now, and touch all that he hath, and he will curse thee to thy face.



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Job 1:20-22:

Then Job arose, and rent his mantle, and shaved his head, and fell down upon the ground, and worshipped, And said, Naked came I out of my mother's womb, and naked shall I return thither: the Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord. In all this Job sinned not, nor charged God foolishly.

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Job 2:3-7

3 And the Lord said unto Satan, Hast thou considered my servant Job, that there is none like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright man, one that feareth God, and escheweth evil? and still he holdeth fast his integrity, although thou movedst me against him, to destroy him without cause.

4 And Satan answered the Lord, and said, **Skin for skin, yea, all that a man hath will he give for his life.**

5 But put forth thine hand now, and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse thee to thy face.

6 And the Lord said unto Satan, Behold, he is in thine hand; but save his life.

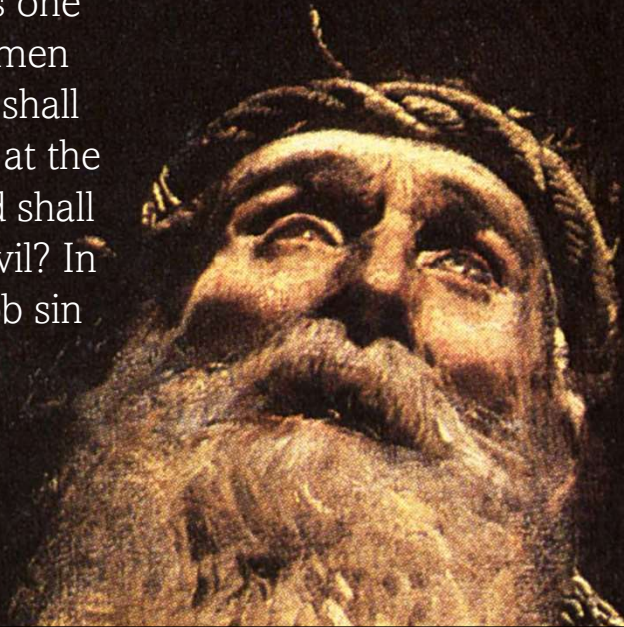
7 So went Satan forth from the presence of the Lord, and smote Job with sore boils from the sole of his foot unto his crown.



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Job 2:10

Thou speakest as one of the foolish women speaketh. What? shall we receive good at the hand of God, and shall we not receive evil? In all this did not Job sin with his lips.



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Causes of our Trials

1. Natural Law
2. Bad Decisions/Consequences of your Actions
3. Sin/Disobedience
4. Preparing us to help another
5. The Perfecting or Maturing of the Saints
6. Glory of God

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Reasons for Suffering

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| 1. Natural Law | 4. Preparing us to help someone else |
| 2. Consequences of your Actions | 5. Perfecting or Maturing us for Greater Service |
| 3. Sin/Disobedience | 6. Glory of God |
- Trust God!*
- Don't do it again!*
- Repent!*

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James 1:2-4

My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into
divers temptations; Knowing this, that the
trying of your faith worketh patience. But let
patience have her perfect work, that ye may be
perfect and entire, wanting nothing.