

Subject: *When the Storm Comes*

Scripture: *Job 1:1-22*

1. A man of integrity (vs. 1-12)

- a) His life is described (vs. 1-5)
 - He was a real man
 - He was a godly man
 - He was a family man
 - He was a wealthy man
 - He was a devoted man
- b) His life is confirmed (by God) – vs. 6-8
- c) His life is questioned (by Satan) – vs. 9-12

2. A day of tragedy (vs. 13-19)

All of these calamities happened in Job's life on the same day, and the reports came in rapid succession.

- a) His oxen and donkeys were stolen and the servants were killed
- b) His sheep and servants were burned up (lightning probably caused a wildfire)
- c) His camels were stolen and the servants were killed
- d) His ten children were all killed in a great wind (possibly a tornado)

Job's great losses on this day of tragedy were unexpected, undeserved, and unexplained (to him). Someone said that Job suffered more and deserved it less than any other person, apart from Christ.

Job 14:1 *Man that is born of woman is of few days and full of trouble.*

3. A response of humility (vs. 20-22)

- a) His grief
- b) His worship
- c) His statement

How does this story of Job apply to us?

- 1) When the storm comes we may not expect it.
- 2) When the storm comes we may not deserve it.
- 3) When the storm comes we may not understand it.
- 4) When the storm comes we may be overwhelmed.
- 5) When the storm comes we have the opportunity to glorify God.

The worst storm is yet to come, the storm of God's judgment against sinners. This storm is not unexpected or undeserved. The only way to be prepared is to find refuge for your soul in Jesus Christ.

Proverbs 18:10 *The name of the LORD is a strong tower; the righteous man runs into it and is safe.*