

A dramatic night sky with dark, stormy clouds and several bright, jagged lightning bolts striking down. The foreground shows the dark silhouette of a mountain range. The overall color palette is dominated by deep reds, oranges, and blacks, creating a sense of intense energy and danger.

# **“Storms of Life”**

## ***Out of Nowhere***

**Job 1-2**  
**Part 2**

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# Three Great Trials in Bible



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## First, the Trial of Christ

- *Started in Gethsemane...*
- *...ended on the Cross*

## Second, the Trial of Abraham

- *Offer up Isaac on Mount Moriah*

## Third, the Trial of Job

- *Who was delivered into the hand of Satan*

# **“Out of Nowhere”**

**Trials...**

**...Troubles,**

**...Problems,**

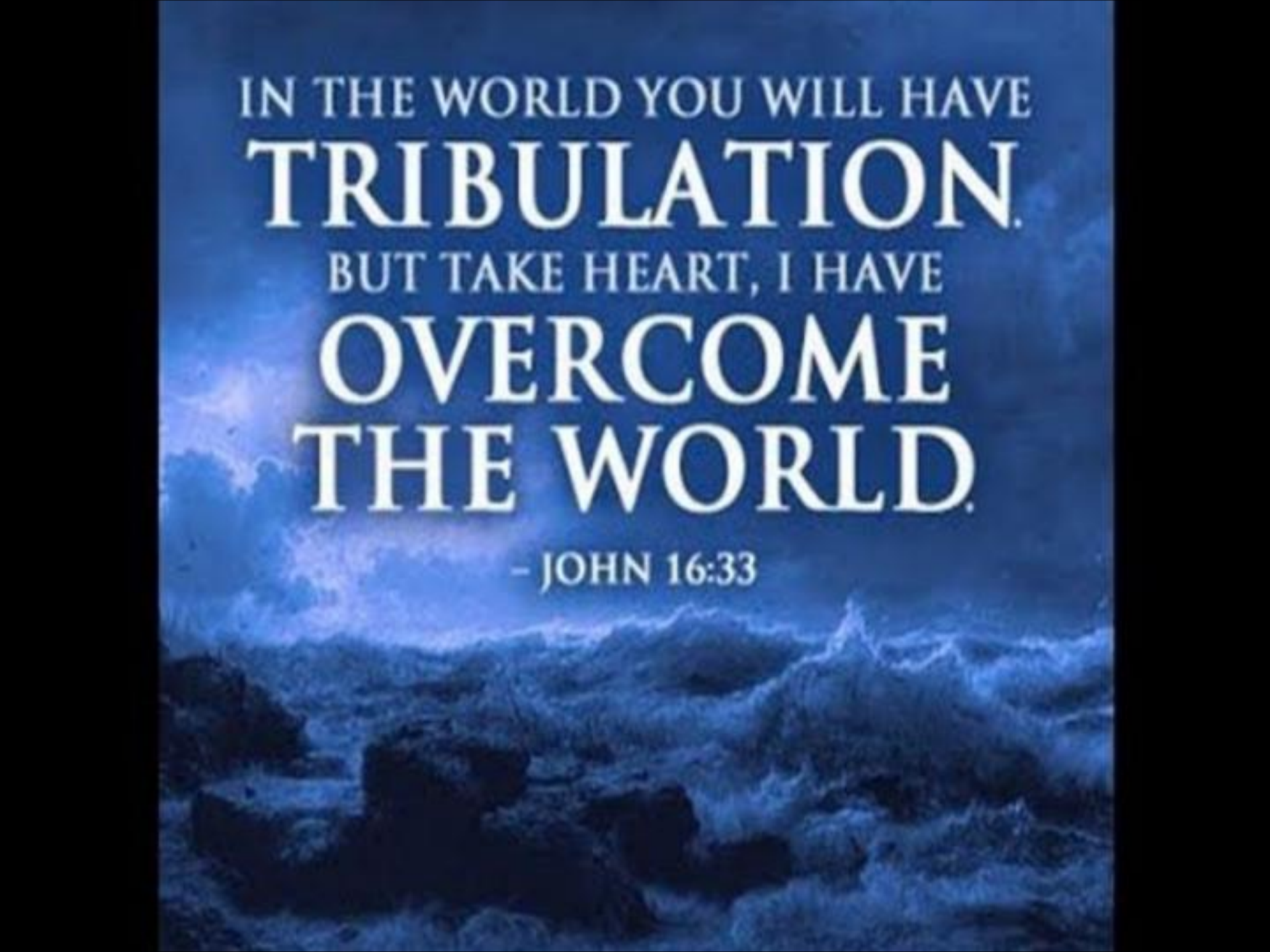
**...Persecution,**

**...Powerful**

**Pain**

**...Came to Job**





IN THE WORLD YOU WILL HAVE  
**TRIBULATION.**  
BUT TAKE HEART, I HAVE  
**OVERCOME**  
**THE WORLD.**

- JOHN 16:33

# **Out of Nowhere**

**Since 2020  
Life has Come At Us  
Out of Nowhere**

**Covid 19**

**Calamity**

**Catastrophes**

**Forecast...**

**More to Come**

IN THE VOICE OF THE  
**TRIBULATION.**

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IN THE WORLD  
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TERRORISM







# Discoveries From Chapter 1



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- **Ruler of the Storm -*God***  
(Job 1:6-19; 2:7-8)
- **Reason for the Storm -*Satan***  
(Job 1:6-11; 2:1-5)
- **Reach of the Storm -*All Possessed***
- **Reaction in the Storm -*Praise***  
(Job 1:20-22)

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**God is...**

**...Sovereign**

**...Source**

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**...It Can't Get Any Worse**



A dramatic night sky with a bright lightning bolt striking a body of water, with silhouettes of trees in the foreground.

**Just When You Thought...**

**...It Can't Get Any Worse**

**It Got Worse!**

# The Timing

(Job 2:1)





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Turn for the Worse Came at  
Time of...

- Restlessness
- Readjustment
- Rebuilding

# The Turn

(Job 2:3)



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**Job's Whole World was About to...  
...Crumble Again**

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(Job 2:1-7)



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## Because

**Satan is Continuously on the Prowl (1-2)**

**Searching Ways to...**

- **Intrude in Your Life (4a)**
- **Weaken Your Trust in God (4b)**
- **Ultimately Destroy You (3)**

# A Turn for the Worse .

(Job 2:1-7)



**But**

**God is Continuously in Control (3, 6)**

- **Satan Still Has to Answer to Him (4a)**
- **He Still Sets Limits on Satan (6)**
- **He Will Not Allow Him to Destroy You (6b)**

**Storms...**



# Storms...

- Are Sovereignly Designed for My Benefit.
- Promotes an Environment for Spiritual Growth.
- Helps Me to Refocus My Attention Toward God.
- Draw Me Into a Personal Relationship With Christ.





GOD SENDS THE STORM,

TO CLEAR THE PATH TO

THE LIGHT.



## **2 Corinthians 4:17 (AMP)**

<sup>17</sup> For our light, momentary affliction (this slight distress of the passing hour) is ever more and more abundantly preparing *and* producing *and* achieving for us an everlasting weight of glory [beyond all measure, excessively surpassing all comparisons and all calculations, a vast and transcendent glory and blessedness never to cease!]

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

**Romans 8:28**





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# Season of Storms:



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## Storms

- Starting Point
- Source...  
*...Singular*
- Manageable
- Stopping Point

## Season of Storms

- Starting Point
- Source...  
*...Multiple*
- Out of Control
- No End in Sight

# The Hedge

(Job 1:10)



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## 2 Corinthians 12:6-10

- My Grace
- Sufficient
- Strength
- Made Perfect
- Weakness



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BEYOND OUR UNDERSTANDING**

**JOB 37:5**