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We Feel Confused / Disappointed Job Felt This Way...

...Yet He Kept His Faith Came

...Through Suffering With Victory

Though He slay me, I will trust him -Job 13:15

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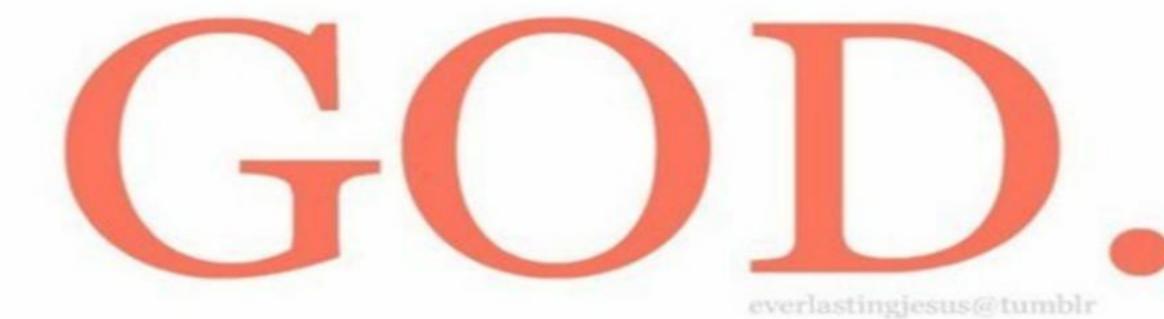
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Don't tell God you have a big

## PROBLEM

tell your problem you have a big

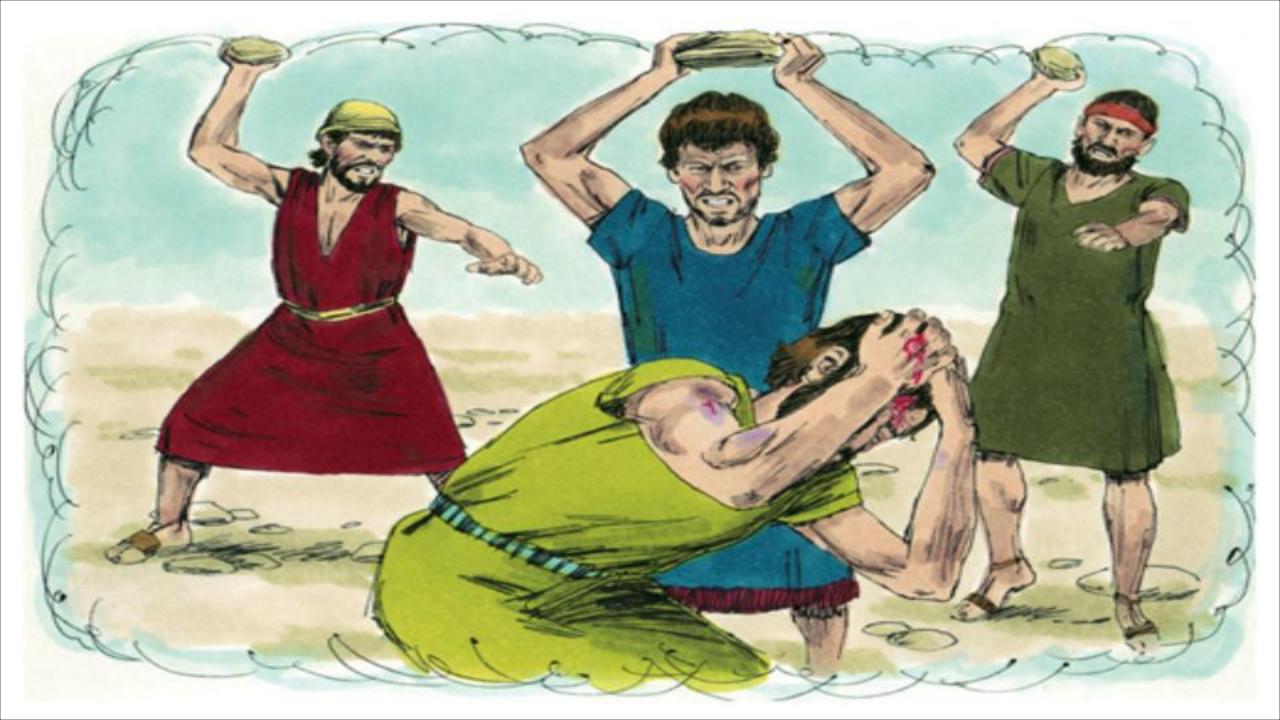


## Reconnect to God (1:20-21) ave a big

### First Thing He Did Was Worship

<sup>20</sup> Job got to his feet, ripped his robe, shaved his head, then fell to the ground and worshiped: <sup>21</sup> Naked I came from my mother's womb, naked I'll return to the womb of the earth. God gives, God takes. God's name be ever blessed

- He Got Up -He refused to Wallow in His Pain
- Ripped Robel Shaved Head –Got Beyond Self
- Fell to Ground and Worshipped Got in Position to Receive

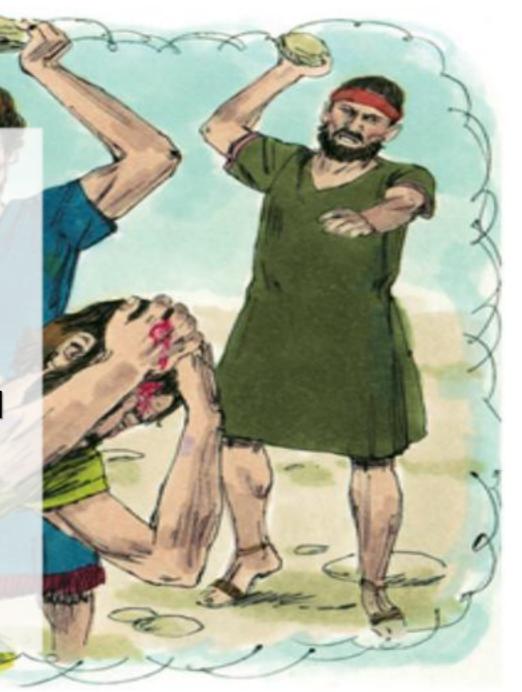


## Find a Support Base

He was Visited by So-Called Comforters

- But Not Very Good SUPPORT
- Sat and Stared for 7 days
- Then Ended Up Blaming Him
- Our Judgement of Others is a Denial
   ...of the Possibility that We Could
   ...Go Through the Same Thing

There is a Difference in Lifting up...
...And Beating Up





Pity: I acknowledge your suffering. Sympathy: I care about your suffering. Empathy: I feel your suffering. Compassion: I want to relieve your suffering.

### **Engagement**



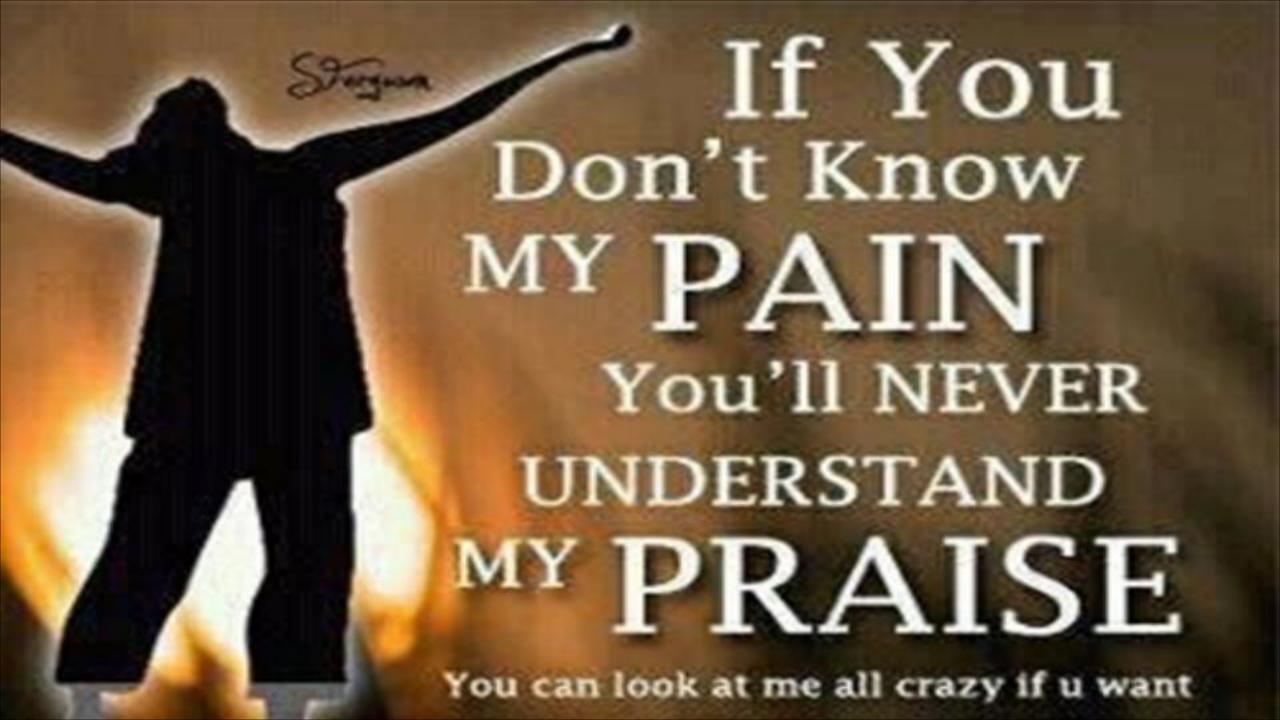
## Trust God When You Don't Understand Oow your head, say a proyer and weather the storm.

What Peace We Would Have If We Truly Believed That...

...God Works Out All Things For His Purpose/ In His Time

When Your Down to Nothing...
 ...God is Up to Something

When You Can't See God's Hand ...
... You Can Trust His Heart



## Learn From What You Experience

- God Revealed Himself to Job During His Suffering (38-41)
- Job Came To Know God Better Through His Experience
- The Lord Answered Job Out of the Whirlwind...
  - ...When Your in the Whirlwind God Will Speak
    If You Position Yourself to Hear!

Job Repented...

...and Began to see God in a New Light!

<sup>5</sup> I had only heard about you before, but now I have seen you with my own eyes. <sup>6</sup> I take back everything I said, / I sit in dust and ashes to show my repentance." Job 42:5-6 (NLT)

## Will begin to

## heal

when you let go of past hurts, forgive those who have wronged you and learn to forgive yourself for your mistakes.

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## Learn to Forgive Others Learn to Forgive Others Learn to Forgive Others Learn to Forgive Others

We Need To Turn Things Loose...

...Not Hold On To Hurt Feelings

**His Situation Turned Around When...** 

2 Parts

1st God's -Timing

2nd Job's - Trust Who have wronged

His Situation Turned Around After Job Prayed For His Friends

<sup>10</sup> When Job prayed for his friends, the LORD restored his fortunes. In fact, the LORD gave him twice as much as before! **Job 42:10 (NLT)** 

hurts, forgive

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## **Expect a Turnaround (42:12)**

The Story Starts SO Badly...

...But Ends with Recovery

Job 42:12-15 (NLT)

<sup>12</sup> So the LORD blessed Job in the second half of his life even more than in the beginning. For now he had 14,000 sheep, 6,000 camels, 1,000 teams of oxen, and 1,000 female donkeys. <sup>13</sup> He also gave Job seven more sons and three more daughters. <sup>14</sup> He named his first daughter Jemimah, the second Keziah, and the third Keren-happuch. <sup>15</sup> In all the land no women were as lovely as the daughters of Job. And their father put them into his will along with their brothers

## I believe in the sun even when it's not shining.

I believe in love even when I am alone.

I believe in God even when he is silent.

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It Didn't Happen Overnight...

- ...Day By Day He Gave Him Peace
  - ...God Began To Spice His Life Up And
    - ... Make Something Beautiful Out Of It

...Again!!!

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I Have Discovered Two Things About Storms

God knows all that you've been through, and he's going to make sure you receive double for your trouble!