

# The Finale of Job's Confrontation with God

Read Job 42

How can we summarize God's response to Job?

- I am the eternal, transcendent Creator, the all-wise, all-powerful Source and Sustainer of all that is.
- You are a lowly creature made of dust, possessing only what I have lent you.
- Your perspective and knowledge are microscopically small.
- Since you can't possibly understand even the tiniest fraction of My ways, how dare you question Me when I inevitably don't match Your expectations?

Job finally got the point:

*Then Job answered the LORD and said,  
"I know that You can do all things,  
And that no purpose of Yours can be thwarted...  
I have declared that which I did not understand,  
Things too wonderful for me, which I did not know...  
I have heard of You by the hearing of the ear;  
But now my eye sees you;  
Therefore I retract,  
And I repent in dust and ashes."* (Job 42:1-6, NASB)

What convinced Job how wrong he was to question God? The magnificence of God's wisdom and the splendor of His greatness (42:5).

When you are suffering and God doesn't make sense, when He seems unjust and unresponsive, remember who He is and who you are. Don't try to hold God up to your puny standards. He will never allow your childish ignorance to guide His actions. Rely completely on Him. Patiently endure. Trust God to be God.

I sometimes hear believers say that when they get to heaven, they are going to question God about this or that that doesn't make sense to them. I sincerely doubt it. God's magnificence will overwhelmingly, eternally answer any concern we have ever had about Him or His ways.

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