LESSON 9

JOB LIVES A GODLY LIFE



Aim: **To teach the children that God reigns.**

Scripture Reading: **Job 1:1–12**

Memory Verse: **Psalm 34:8**
Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the man who takes refuge in him.

PRESENTING THE LESSON

STARTING POINT

Ask the class what they think a person needs to be happy.

MAIN POINTS OF TODAY'S TEACHING

1. When the Bible first introduces us to Job, we read of a person who lived a very happy life. He was a good and honest man who served God (1:1).
2. Job had a family: he was married and had seven sons and three daughters (1:2).
3. Job was a very rich and respected man, who owned large herds of animals and had many servants (1:3).
4. Job's family loved and enjoyed one another; they would often come together and hold feasts (1:4).
5. Job was a loving, caring father. He made offerings to God on behalf of his family, because he wanted God to forgive them if they had sinned (1:5). **Show Picture 9.**
6. But one day Satan came before the Lord's throne. God praised Job before Satan, but Satan argued that Job only worshipped God for the good things he got out of it (1:6–11).
7. God knew that Job was a true servant who honestly only wanted to please his Lord. So God allowed Satan to take away everything Job possessed, except his health (1:12).

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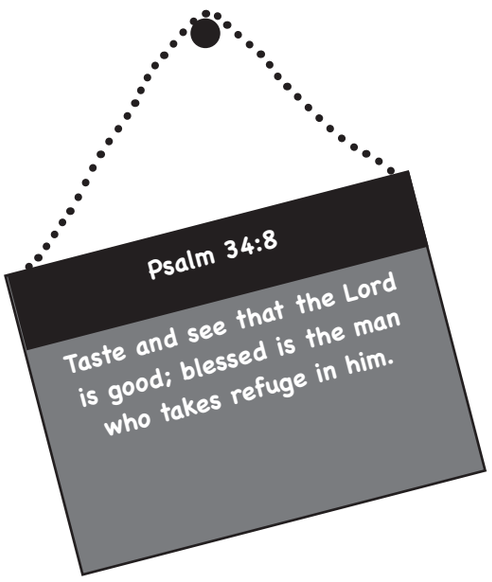


Instil the Memory Verse

Our Response to the Story

Many things happen in our lives, and in the world, that we do not understand. **Give some current examples**. Over the next three lessons we shall see how Job responded to suffering that he did not deserve and did not understand.

From today's reading we can take courage: God is ultimately in control and limits what the evil one can do.



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