

**“How to Reap the Benefits of Suffering”**  
**Job – Week 2 of 2, Unlocking the Old Testament**  
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**Job 42:1-6**

Then Job answered the LORD:

- <sup>2</sup> “I know that you can do all things,  
and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted.  
<sup>3</sup> ‘Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge?’  
Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand,  
things too wonderful for me, which I did not know.  
<sup>4</sup> ‘Hear, and I will speak;  
I will question you, and you declare to me.’  
<sup>5</sup> I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear,  
but now my eye sees you;  
<sup>6</sup> therefore I despise myself,  
and repent in dust and ashes.”

**1. It is ok (and good) to ask why (Job 3:11-23)**

**2. Realize that your only hope is in God. (Job 28:28, Matthew 7:24-27)**

**3. Rejoice in your suffering (Romans 5:1-5)**