



Daily Reflections

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Scripture

Job 42: 1-17

Job answered the LORD and said:

I know that you can do all things,
and that no purpose of yours can be hindered.
I have dealt with great things that I do not understand;
things too wonderful for me, which I cannot know.
I had heard of you by word of mouth,
but now my eye has seen you.
Therefore I disown what I have said,
and repent in dust and ashes.
Thus the LORD blessed the latter days of Job
more than his earlier ones.
For he had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels,
a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand she-asses.
And he had seven sons and three daughters,

of whom he called the first Jemimah,
the second Keziah, and the third Kerenhappuch.
In all the land no other women were as beautiful
as the daughters of Job;
and their father gave them an inheritance
along with their brothers.
After this, Job lived a hundred and forty years;
and he saw his children, his grandchildren,
and even his great-grandchildren.
Then Job died, old and full of years.

Our Scripture Reflection

Job repents for having protested his innocence before God and is rewarded with more good fortune than he had ever experienced. Job is portrayed as a man of trust in God, even in the midst of unspeakable tragedies.

Food for your Journey

On a California beach, a sign indicates that dogs on a leash belong on one side of the beach and “dogs under voice command” belong on the other.

Some people approach life legalistically and need to be leashed. Others are under voice command. Their submission to their master defines their actions.

Prayer from the Heart

Dear Jesus, You experienced cruelty and unimaginable pain as You gave Your life for me. You neither complained nor lost trust in Your Heavenly Father. Help me, Lord, when I encounter trials in this life to remain faithful to You. Amen.