

Greetings to all my Friends,

In Job chapter 22 Eliphaz argues that God doesn't care how righteous people are; He punishes their wickedness: *Is it any pleasure to the Almighty that you are righteous? Or is it gain to Him that you make your ways blameless?* (v. 3) Eliphaz is partly correct: *"There is none righteous, no not one." All have sinned and come short of the glory of God. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned, every one, to his own way.* Our best works are like filthy rags (Romans 3:10, 23, Isaiah 53:6a, 64:6). **But it is a half-truth!** God notices our righteousness. This is the premise of Job's suffering. The **LORD** said to Satan, *"Have you considered My servant Job, ... a blameless and upright man"* (Job 1:8)?

The New Testament adds, *For the eyes of the LORD are on the righteous, and His ears are open to their prayers* (1 Peter 3:12). *Now no chastening seems to be joyful for the present, but painful; nevertheless, afterward it yields the peaceable fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it* (Hebrews 12:11). *Now may He who supplies seed to the sower, ... increase the fruits of your righteousness* (2 Corinthians 9:10).

We can assist God by **pursuing** righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, gentleness (1 Timothy 6:11), and **presenting** our bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God (Romans 12:1). Then we, as the righteous, will shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of [our] Father (Matthew 13:43a).

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01 Pray for the country of Burundi

Pray for the ministry of our new booklet *The Power of Hope*, designed to help readers see that while many search for hope in temporary things, the only hope that truly satisfies, both in this life and in eternity is found in Jesus Christ.

Scripture Reading: Job 1-4

02 Pray for the country of Costa Rica

Pray for the ministry of the booklet *Alive in Christ* which is designed to disciple new believers, helping them understand who God created them to be — empowered by His Spirit, to know and walk with Him in the light of eternity.

Scripture Reading: Job 5-8

03 Pray for the territory of Montserrat

Pray for the ministry of the *How to Know God* booklet that tells how to have a personal relationship with God.

Scripture Reading: Job 9-12

04 Pray for the country of Slovenia

Pray for the ministry of the booklet *Meditations in the Psalms*, a devotional booklet using selected Psalms as a source for prayer, petition, thanksgiving, and praise.

Scripture Reading: Job 13-17

05 Pray for the country of Côte d'Ivoire

Pray for the ministry of the booklet *A Bible Study on Revelation* exalting Christ, exposing Satan, inspiring faith, giving comfort in persecution, warning against false teaching and the wrath of God.

Scripture Reading: Job 18-21

06 Pray for the country of Morocco

Pray for the ministry of the booklet *A Bible Study on Genesis* which emphasizes God's plan of salvation from creation and reveals the presence of Christ in Genesis.

Scripture Reading: Job 22-26

07 Pray for the Solomon Islands

Pray for the ministry of the booklet *A Bible Study on Romans*. Paul's masterful letter reveals God's heart for mankind and the good news of freedom and transformation for all who put their trust in Jesus.

Scripture Reading: Job 27-30

08 Pray for the country of Croatia

Pray for the ministry of the booklet *A Bible Study on Matthew* which teaches important and simple truths about Christian living.

Scripture Reading: Job 31-34

09 Pray for the country of the Mozambique

Pray for the ministry of the booklet *A Bible Study on John* which provides assurance of salvation and personal growth in the Lord.

Scripture Reading: Job 35-38

10 Pray for the country of Somalia

Pray for the ministry of the booklet *The Path to Life*. This 8-page Scripture handout includes a simple guide to salvation.

Scripture Reading: Job 39-42

11 Pray for the country of Cuba

Pray for the ministry of the booklet *God Loves You!* This salvation coloring book is ideal for children and adults. The illustrated coloring pages bring associated verses to life.

Scripture Reading: 1 Timothy 1-6

12 Pray for the country of Myanmar

Pray for the ministry of the booklet *Who Do You Say That I Am?* which contains powerful things Jesus said about Himself, His ministry and how we can receive eternal life.

Scripture Reading: 2 Timothy 1-4

13 Pray for the country of South Africa

Pray for the first time Khoekhoe translation of the booklet *The Way to God* published for Namibia.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 1-7

14 Pray for the country of Curaçao

Pray for the ministry of the booklet *The Way to God*. Its purpose is to share God's love and plan of salvation with children, and includes instructions on how to live for Jesus.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 8-14

15 Pray for the country of South Sudan

Pray for the ministry of the booklet *Let's Praise the Lord!* which was written specially for Christians as a practical tool for praising God faithfully and joyfully.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 15-18

16 Pray for the country of Cyprus

Pray for the ministry of the booklet *Who Am I That a King Would Die in My Place?* which shows who we were created to be, and what we became, where that leads us, and our need for God's rescue. It finishes with what we can become by God's grace.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 19-24

17 Pray for the country of Spain

Pray for the ministry of the booklet *A Basic Study of New Testament Scriptures*. This booklet is for use with any Bible or New Testament and lists many important topics along with their Scripture references.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 25-30

18 Pray for the country of Czechia

Pray for the ministry of the booklet *The Amazing Life of Jesus Christ* which shows who Christ is, why He came to earth, His miracles, teachings, death, resurrection, and what He is doing now.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 31-34

19 Pray for the country of Sri Lanka

Pray for the ministry of the booklet *The Power of God* which shows God's creative, saving, sustaining and overcoming power.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 35-37

20 Pray for the country of the Sudan

Pray for the ministry of the 750 thousand 2027 *Scripture-Text Datebook* being released this month to prisons throughout the USA.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 38-42

21 Pray for the country of Suriname

PRAISE THE LORD! After many delays, we have been given copyright permission to print several new titles in Chichewa.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 43-48

22 Pray for the country of Sweden

Pray for the ministry of the booklet *Victory in Jesus Christ* which give Scriptures that help believers have victory over the enemy by revealing Satan's character and tactics.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 49-54

23 Pray for the country of Switzerland

Pray for the new language translations of our booklets being prepared for production by Randy, Marilyn, Kelby, Beth, Ron, and Helen.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 55-60

24 Pray for the country of Syria

PRAISE THE LORD that we recently printed four new titles in the Malagasy language — *Alive in Christ*, *A Bible Study on John*, *A Bible Study on Romans*, and *Who Do You Say that I Am?*

Scripture Reading: Psalm 61-67

25 Pray for the Continent of North America

Pray for the countries that speak the 131 languages in which the *Way to God* booklet is printed.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 68-71

26 Pray for the Continent of South America

Pray for new titles being translated into one of our 355 existing languages.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 72-75

27 Pray for the Continent of Europe

Pray for the countries that speak the 99 languages in which the *How to Know God* booklet is printed.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 76-78

28 Pray for the Continent of Africa

Pray for the ministry of the online editions of our booklets. Belarusian and Ojibwe are only available online.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 79-84

29 Pray for the Continent of Asia

Pray for an Azerbaijani who will proofread the digital version of *How to Know God* in Azeri for WMP.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 85-89

30 Pray for the Continent of Australia

Pray for the ministry of the *Help from Above* booklet designed to lead the reader to Christ and live a victorious life.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 90-95

31 Pray for the geographic area of Oceania

Pray over the ministry of the first Spanish edition of the 2027 *Scripture-Text Datebook* for USA prisons and for a specific prison ministry in Mexico.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 96-102



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