

It's a job to be Job!—Kids' lesson #5
Job 1:20-22

HOOK: I bet we all like to receive gifts! Are you thankful when you get them? Raise your hand if you want to tell us a favorite gift you received. (*Give a few kids the chance to answer.*) Now, think about this: What if your favorite gift was lost, broken, or even taken away? I bet some of you would be sad and cry. Or, maybe some of you would get angry and throw a fit or even blame others for what happened. Here's a tough question: After your favorite gift was gone would you still feel thankful inside?

BOOK: We've been studying a man named Job. Remember, he was a good man and fully devoted to God. He was rich and had a large family that he loved very much, but one day he lost everything. All of his children and everything he owned was gone, just like that. But, Job did not get angry and accuse God of doing something wrong! The Bible says, "...**Job got up and tore his robe and shaved his head. Then he fell to the ground in worship.**" He said "**I had nothing when I came into the world and I'll have nothing when I leave. The Lord gave and the Lord has taken away; may the name of the Lord be praised.**" Wow! Can you believe it? Instead of getting angry or sinning and blaming God, Job fell to the ground and worshipped God! He praised the name of the Lord!

LOOK: We can see Job was extremely sad about all that had happened. That is why he tore his robe and shaved his head. (It was a way for him to express that his heart was broken.) I imagine he also cried. It's natural to be sad when bad things happen. But, even in his sadness, Job was still able to worship and praise God! Job still loved God. He still respected God and stayed fully devoted to him. He knew that God was good and loved him. He knew that God was in control and could be trusted. When difficult things happen, God still loves you, too. He is always in control and we can always count on him. When we know and remember how great God is, we can love and honor him in worship, no matter how sad we might be.

TOOK: One way we worship God is by praising Him. We can praise Him with our respect and thanking Him for who He is. So, we could say (or sing) something like, "Lord, You are good. You love us. Thank you for being trustworthy."

Bible Verse: "At this, Job got up and tore his robe and shaved his head. Then he fell to the ground in worship." Job 1:20

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What We Learned: Job lost everything he had. Even though this made him very sad, he still worshipped God. Job didn't worship God just for the gifts he had been given—they were taken away! Instead, he worshipped God because he knew who God was and that he could trust Him. When we remember how great God is, we can love and honor Him in worship, no matter what happens.



Memory Verse: “At this, Job got up and tore his robe and shaved his head. Then he fell to the ground in worship.” Job 1:20



Parent/Child Activity: Spend some time with your child reflecting on who God is. Together, come up with a list of some of His attributes. For example, God is loving. He is holy. He forgives. (You may want to share some Bible verses with your child that describes God's character.) When you have a list, take a few minutes to worship God together. Make up a simple song or sing one you already know that highlights God's character. Use the worship 'cymbal' your child made in class and make a joyful noise in worship together!



Daily Prayer: “You are wonderful, God. Thank you that we can worship You always, even when we are sad. Help us to learn more about You. Amen.”