

Senior Adults,

This fall the church will enter a five-week study of Job. Pastor Jim will preach on the Book of Job and the discipleship team; Me, Gary, Renee, Matthew, Ryan, Laura, and David Booth, will write curriculum for all our Group Life classes. When I think of churchwide bible studies, Job was not my first thought. I've read Job many times but only focused on his demise and his restoration. As I've been reading through Job preparing to write curriculum, I've been looking for word pictures related to Jesus in the New Testament. Recently, I've come across two sections where the desire (or need) for a mediator is discussed. In Job 9:1 we read, "Truly I know that it is so: But how can a man be right before God? If one wished to contend with him, one could not answer him in a thousand times." As Job stands before the glorious glory of the wisdom and power of God, he is deeply aware that, although his suffering is confusing and confounding, he cannot call God into question. Job knows the majesty of God, His sovereignty and His omnipotence. Job understands that God is Holy and He will not entertain evil. Job knew that apart from God, he could do nothing. In the peak of his suffering, Job declares, "For He is not a man, as I am, that I might answer Him, that we should come to trial together. There is no arbiter (mediator) between us, who might lay His hand on us both" (Job 9:32-33). At this point of Job's suffering, he admits to his utter helplessness and to his need for a mediator between the physical and spiritual realms. The next mention of a mediator comes in Job 9:23-28. Elihu, the fourth to lecture Job, says, "If there be for him an angel, a mediator, one of the thousand, to declare to man what is right for him, and He is merciful to him, and says, "Deliver him from going down into the pit; I have found a ransom; He see's his face with a shout of joy, and He restores to man his righteousness. He has redeemed my soul from going down into the pit, and my life shall look upon the light." The Book of Job is a microcosm of God's redemptive plan. God allows Satan to inflict pain and agony on Job to the point of death. The book of Job shows us that God is all-powerful and all-knowing and that we are not. This is why Jesus came to earth, to seek and to save the lost. Paul writes in 1 Timothy 2:5-6, "For there is one God and one mediator between God and mankind, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all people." Job, centuries before the birth of the Messiah, knew he needed a Savior, a Mediator; and he longed for Jesus. Adrian Rogers writes, "And since Jesus is both God and man at the same time, He became the Mediator. The God man builds a bridge between God and man, and that bridge is made of the roughhewn timbers of the cross. There is one God and one Mediator between God and men — Himself a Man — the Christ Jesus Who gave Himself a ransom for all. How can man be just with God? His name is Jesus." During this Easter season keep your eyes on Jesus. Pray for many to come to know Jesus better or for the first time. Pray for divine appointments to share Jesus. Always remember, "For God so love the world that he gave His one and only Son that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life" (John3:16).

See you Sunday

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APRIL EVENTS

Lunch & Learn | April 14
11:00am | Fellowship Hall

Pain
Management

Topic: "Stop Pain from Controlling Your Life"
\$5 for Lunch

Wednesday Night Dinner Menus Dinner: 5:00-6:00pm | Cost \$5

April 1 - CHEF'S CHOICE

April 8 - Chicken Fried Steak, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, rolls, dessert

April 15 - Chicken Enchilada Casserole, spanish rice, pinto beans, tortilla chips, salsa, dessert

April 22 - Baked BBQ leg quarters, scalloped black-eyed peas, rolls, dessert

April 29 - Salisbury Steak with mushroom gravy, mashed potatoes, glazed carrots, rolls, dessert

SAVE THE DATE

Lunch & Learn
May 12
11:00am Fellowship Hall
Insight into AI (Artificial Intelligence)
presented by Chris Neaves

WOMEN ON MISSION

April 28, 2026 | 10:30am

Fellowship Hall

Lunch \$5

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information

Making
Jesus our
All, Sharing
Him with All



Hymn Sing
Sunday May 24
@ 4:00pm
Room 136

