

“Nothing Left to Lose”

Job 12-14

Intro: When we think of someone with nothing left to lose, we think of someone who has lost all hope, someone who doesn't care about anything, someone who is reckless and lost all common sense. But this isn't Job...

He had lost it all – family, herds, health, reputation.

Yet there was something different about Job – He kept the focus on God, and what he knew about God.

I. He knew _____ (12:1-13:2)

II. He knew that he was _____ (13:3-19)

III. He knew that _____ (13:20-28)

IV. He knew there was something _____ coming (14)

Conclusion – In some respects, we should live as though we have nothing left to lose. The things of this world hold very little value, and no hope for us. Our focus should be like that of Job.

“Who Are We to Boast?”

Matthew 20

Intro – Sometimes, it's easy to begin to think that we're something special. That God picked us because of how useful we are to him, or that we're better because of how long we've been a Christian. Certainly we're better than those who come late in life. Somehow, God must owe us more.

The Occasion – Matthew 19:27 – The disciples wanted to know how great their reward would be.

The Lessons – Everyone gains more than they _____
- Length of service doesn't define _____

The Parable

Early, 3rd hour, 6th hour, 9th hour, 11th hour

All agreed to work (for a penny / what was fair)

All Received _____

The _____ workers complained.

How is it fair?

God keeps _____

All get _____

Conclusion – We must never get in the mindset of thinking that we deserve what God has given us. We must also remember that, just as the householder kept going to find workers, Christ is always seeking those who would come to Him.

JOB

Intro:

- I. God was in control
- II. Right with God
- III. God was his answer
- IV. better

Conclusion:

Matthew

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Deserve, reward, a penny, first, his promises, more than we deserve.

Conclusion: