## JOB'S IDENTITY (Job 1:1-5)

- I. His CHARACTER (Job 1:1)
  - A. He was "BLAMELESS"
    - 1. Also used to describe NOAH (Gen. 6:9), ABRAHAM (17:1), and JACOB (25:27)
    - 2. Does not indicate SINLESSNESS, but a life above REPROACH
  - B. He was UPRIGHT
  - C. He was FEARING GOD: "The CONTINUAL awareness that one is in the presence of a HOLY, JUST, and ALMIGHTY God, and that every THOUGHT, WORD, and ACTION is OPEN before Him and being JUDGED by Him"
  - D. He was TURNING AWAY from EVIL
- II. His FAMILY (Job 1:2, 4)
  - A. He had a LARGE family: SEVEN sons and THREE daughters
  - B. He had a STABLE family (v. 4)
    - 1. Sons were SETTLED in their own HOMES
    - 2. They maintained FELLOWSHIP among themselves
    - 3. They were PROSPERING

- III. His ESTATE (Job 1:3)
  - A. He was WEALTHY
    - 1. 7000 sheep for FOOD, CLOTHING, and SACRIFICE
    - 2. 500 female donkeys for MILK and TRANSPORTATION
    - 3. 500 yoke of oxen for PLOWING and general LABOR
    - 4. 3000 camels for TRAVEL and TRADE
    - 5. Vast STAFF
  - B. He was INFLUENTIAL
- IV. His WORSHIP (Job 1:5)
  - A. His FAMILY participated
    - 1. Demanded SELF-EXAMINATION
    - 2. Required CONFESSION and REPENTANCE
  - B. He offered SACRIFICES in their names
    - 1. Acting as PRIEST for the family
    - 2. Offered for POSSIBLE SIN (cf. Deut. 8:11-14)
    - 3. Offered for EACH ONE
    - 4. Offered at the APPOINTED TIME