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JOB'S HUMILIATION (Job 41:1-5; 42:1-6)

- I. Job SILENCED Before the Lord (40:1-5)
 - A. "I am INSIGNIFICANT": the antithesis of GLORY and HONOR
 - B. "I am SPEECHLESS"
 - 1. Demonstrating WISDOM
 - 2. Demonstrating SUBMISSION
 - 3. Demonstrating REVERENCE
- II. Job HUMBLED Before the Lord (42:1-6)
 - A. An expression of PRAISE
 - 1. Had DOUBTED God's CONTROL of EVENTS
 - 2. Has LEARNED God's utter SOVEREIGNTY
 - B. An expression of CONFESSION
 - 1. Had DOUBTED God's GOODNESS
 - 2. Has RECOGNIZED God's perfect RIGHTEOUSNESS
 - C. An expression of REPENTANCE
 - 1. Had DEMANDED God's VINDICATION
 - 2. Has REALIZED God's gracious MERCY

- a. "I am a SINNER, UNWORTHY of Your love"
- b. "Yet I am Your CHILD, WHOM You love"

III. Job CHANGED Before the Lord

- A. Confessed he had NO RIGHT to QUESTION God's WAYS and WORKS
- B. Confessed he had NO GROUND for ACCUSING God of INJUSTICE
- C. Confessed that instead of mourning his SUFFERING, he should have mourned his SINFULNESS
 - 1. DISTRUSTING God
 - 2. INGRATITUDE for God's MERCY and GRACE
 - 3. INDIFFERENCE toward God's MAJESTY and POWER
- IV. Introspective Evaluation: "In what ways have I acted recently that might reveal unrecognized sins of self-righteous pride, distrusting God, ingratitude for God's grace and mercy, or indifference toward God's majesty and power?"