**Something to Look Forward To**

Fixing our sight on God’s revelation of the future

-Part 2-

Question 1: How do I look forward to the future when life looks like it will get worse and not better?

Question 2: How do I look forward to the future when something horrible happens without any warning?

Question 3: What kind of future am I looking forward to?

Question 2: How do I look forward to the future when something horrible happens without any warning?

* Job’s good life before Job 1–2
* Job’s devastation (Job 1–2)
* Job’s emotional turmoil (Job 3–27)
* God’s response (Job 38–42)

***Avoid “Dark Counsel” (Job 38:1-3)***

* Victimization
* Suicide
* God is unjust

***Ponder God’s Creative Power (Job 38:4–41:34)***

“This message, which said nothing about Job’s sufferings nor about the observing hosts in heaven, dealt instead with God’s great creation and his providential care over it.”

**Henry Morris**

“If Job cannot understand how God governs the natural world – and he cannot – how could he expect to comprehend God’s ways with humans? Because humans in their finiteness cannot understand the workings of the creation, they should not call to account the Creator.”

**Daniel Estes**

* He does not condemn Job.
* He does not apologize for anything that has happened.
* He does not justify His allowances.
* He does not offer an explanation for Job to consider.
* He does not offer one word of sympathy to this grieving man.
* He does not answer the question of suffering in the world.
* He does not explain Satan’s accusation or direct involvement in Job’s losses.
* He does not explain why bad things happen to good people and why good things happen to bad people.

**Steven Davey**

*His design* (38:4-7)

*His control* (Job 38:8–39:30)

* Ocean breadth (38:8-11)
* Sunrise (38:12-15)
* Ocean depth (38:16-17)
* Heavens height (38:18-21)
* Flow of snow and rain (38:22-30)
* Movement of stars and weather (38:31-38)
* Animal provision (38:39-41)
* Animal design (39:1-30)

*His might* (Job 40:6–41:34)

***Be reassured of God’s justice and mercy (Job 42:1-17)***

“The God who sets bounds to the sea, who refreshes the desert, who feeds the ravens, who cares for the gazelle in the wilderness and the eagle in its eyrie, is the same God who now causes him seemingly thus unjustly to suffer. But if the former is worthy of adoration, the latter will also be so.”

**Franz Delitzsch**