Reflections on the Book of Job

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Exegetical Reflections (Job 42:7-8)

- 1. Let the text speak for itself. (Job 16:2, Job 18:19)
- 2. Job gives us permission to lament.

Theological Reflections

- 1. The Sovereignty of God. (Job 1:6-12, Job 38:1-13)
- 2. God is strong enough to hear our complaints. (Job 9:20-35, Matt. 26:36-44; 27:35-50)
- 3. We don't always get an answer. (Job 42:1-6)

Application

- 1. Bring your complaints to God. (1 Peter 5:6-7)
- 2. Comfort the suffering. (2 Corinthians 1:3-6)
 - a. How to avoid being a worthless comforter (*Wrestling with Job* by Bill Kynes and Will Kynes).
 - i. Be Sensitive
 - ii. Be Humble
 - iii. Be Practical
 - iv. Be Prayerful