

WHAT IS THE RIGHT PERSPECTIVE? Job 27 and 28

“When life goes wrong, our _____ may begin to deteriorate... first in small misconceptions, but these gradually become major misrepresentations of _____.” (John Walton, NIV Application Commentary)

God _____ him. **Job 6:4** For the arrows of the Almighty are within me; Their poison my spirit drinks; The terrors of God are arrayed against me, **Job 7:14** then you scare me with dreams and terrify me with visions

God is over _____. **Job 7:17-21** ¹⁷ What is man, that you make so much of him, and that you set your heart on him, ¹⁸ visit him every morning and test him every moment? ¹⁹ How long will you not look away from me, nor leave me alone till I swallow my spit?

God is a _____. **Job 9:17-18** ¹⁷ For he crushes me with a tempest and multiplies my wounds without cause; ¹⁸ he will not let me get my breath, but fills me with bitterness.

God is an _____. **Job 9:22-23** ²² It is all one; therefore I say, He destroys both the blameless and the wicked. ²³ When disaster brings sudden death, he mocks at the calamity of the innocent; **Job 10:3** ³ Does it seem good to you to oppress, to despise the work of your hands and favor the designs of the wicked?

God is his _____. **Job 16:7-9** ⁷ Surely now God has worn me out; he has made desolate all my company. ⁸ And he has shriveled me up, which is a witness against me, and my leanness has risen up against me; it testifies to my face. ⁹ He has torn me in his wrath and hated me; he has gnashed his teeth at me

God destroyed his _____. **Job 17:6** ⁶ "He has made me a byword of the peoples, and I am one before whom men spit.

God made a _____ of his life. **Job 19:6-9** ⁶ know then that God has put me in the wrong and closed his net about me. ⁷ Behold, I cry out, 'Violence!' but I am not answered; I call for help, but there is no justice. ⁸ He has walled up my way, so that I cannot pass, and he has set darkness upon my paths. ⁹ He has stripped from me my glory and taken the crown from my head.

God has denied him _____. **Job 27:2** "As God lives, who has taken away my right, and the Almighty, who has made my soul bitter

Job let his suffering, confusion, and awareness of his innocence... distort his perspective about God's _____.

C.S. Lewis, Mere Christianity “The vice I am talking of is Pride or Self-Conceit: and the virtue opposite to it, in Christian morals, is called Humility. According to Christian teachers, the essential vice, the utmost evil, is Pride. Impurity, fornication, anger, greed, drunkenness, and all that, are mere flea bites in comparison: it was through Pride that the devil became the devil: Pride leads to every other vice: it is the complete _____ state of mind.”

Deep dark hidden pride shows itself in sins labeled as: a. _____ b. _____
c. _____ d. _____ e. _____

The opposite of pride - the most important virtue: _____.

Humility is the chief mark of man's relationship with God. The humble man realizes that God is free to be all in all and the humble man accepts that God is free to do all that He chooses. Humility is the sense of entire _____ on our part, which comes when we see how truly God is all, and we make the way for God to be all.

We have the humility of Christ as our example and the Spirit of Christ alive in us to train us in humility. Philippians 2:5-8, Matt 11:29

THE WISDOM OF GOD

Job 28:28 And he said to man, "The fear of the Lord-- that is wisdom, and to shun evil is understanding."

Job 28:23-27 When God brought order out of the primeval chaos (vv.25-26), He used wisdom to do it. Wisdom is the _____ of the genius God used to fashion the universe.
(Smick)

God's wisdom is founded on His _____, it is the perfect _____ of His knowledge.

God's wisdom is carried out by His _____.

God knows everything, chooses the best plans, and has all power to carry out His best plans.

The Lord doesn't have to give us an explanation of _____ He is doing things; _____ why He does something is not wisdom.

But knowing the Lord, and _____ Him, _____ Him and _____ Him... that is the wisdom that we need in our trials.

Wisdom is accessible to us ... not because we can dig it out of mines, not because we can buy it, but because it has been given to us... by God's _____. **Ephesians 3:8-13**

We can know the Lord because through the unsearchable riches of Christ He has redeemed us. We can't **buy** wisdom, but in His wisdom, **God** _____ us with the unsearchable, priceless blood of Christ.

God's wisdom planned that Jesus would suffer and die for us, and His wisdom planned for us to be His _____ and _____ on the earth. **1 Corinthians 1:20-24**

The wisdom of God has _____ His wisdom to us through His Son and in His Son.
Colossians 2:3