

## **Intro:**

### **Big Ideas:**

1. If you want a happy wedding celebration, invite Jesus as your guest.
2. If you want a successful marriage, invite Jesus as the Lord of your home, immediately after your wedding celebration.

**Text:** The book of Job, 42 Chapters.

### **A. Job's PIETY, PROSPERITY, and PRESTIGE**

1. PIETY (Job 1:1,4-6)
2. PROSPERITY (Job 1:2-3)
3. PRESTIGE (Job 1:36; Job 29:4-11,21-25)

### **B. Job's POVERTY, PATIENCE, and PERSEVERANCE**

1. POVERTY (Job 1:8-12,18-22)
2. PATIENCE (Job 2:3-10; Job 19:9-20; James 5:10-12)
3. PERSEVERANCE (Job 13:15; Job 19:25-27; Job 23:10)

### **C. Job's PRAYER, PROSPERITY, and PROGENY**

1. PRAYER (Job 42:10-15)
2. PROSPERITY (Job 42:12-15)
3. PROGENY (Job 42:16-17)

**Conclusion:** Prayer Power ACTI

1. The book of Job has a happy beginning (Job 1:1-3) and a happier ending (Job 42:10-17) but between the happy beginning and the happy ending are Job's storms of:

- a. Total bankruptcy
- b. Loss of his 10 children
- c. Painful disease
- d. The depression of his wife
- e. The false accusations of his friends

Question: What does Job's experience teach you and how does Job encourage you?

2. From Job's dramatic story, how will you answer the questions:

If God is good, great, and almighty...

- a. Why do bad things happen to good people?
- b. Why do the righteous suffer?
- c. Why does God allow evil and suffering in the world?

3. To empower your home through prayer, apply this acronym: ACTI

Adoration

Confession

Thanksgiving

Intercession

4. Overall, what have you learned about God, faith in God, and prayer?