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the Creation account according to the book of job





The Book of Job [is] what this writer, at least, believes is the most fascinating book in the Bible. The climax of its message, though unexpected, is intensely practical, with special relevance to the needs of God's people in these days of widespread humanism and evolutionary scientism.

Skeptics and liberals often deny that Job ever lived. To them, the story of Job is pious fiction—a great dramatic poem no doubt, but no more historical than other ancient epics. This contradicts the acceptance of Job as a true record of events by both the ancient Jews and early Christians. The author of Job presents his narrative as a true account, and it would have been blasphemous for him to describe events taking place in heaven and to devote four chapters to a verbatim transcription of God's words if it were merely a vehicle for him to present his own philosophy.

Many expositors maintain that the main theme in Job is the mystery of suffering. Job himself had no solution [to the problem of suffering] and desperately appealed to God to provide one while steadfastly maintaining his faith in God and in an ultimate resolution. So, then, what is God's solution? When he finally enters the dialogue himself, what does He say about this vexing problem of human suffering? Amazingly, God

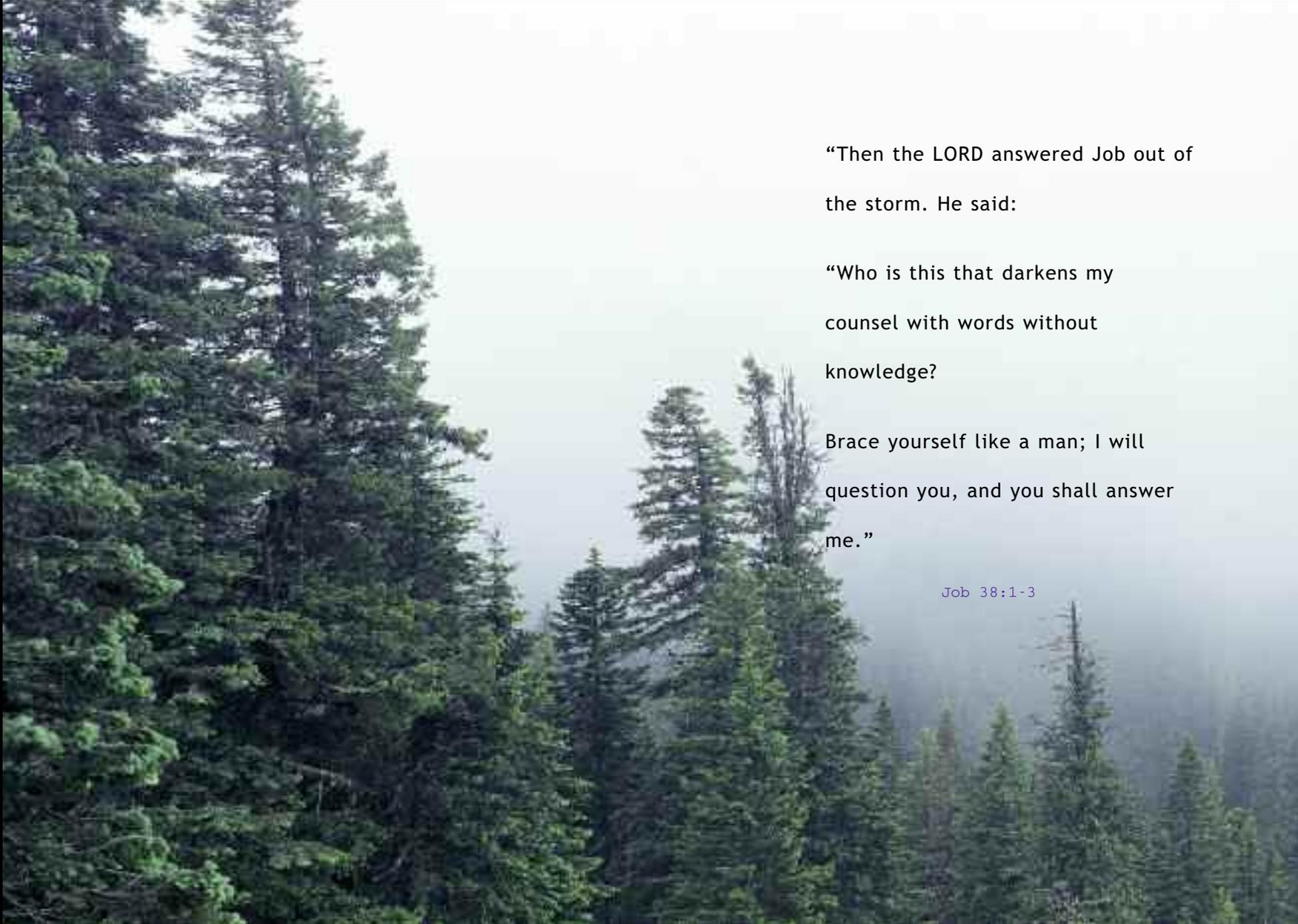
says nothing about it! What He does talk about is creation . . .

This leads us to the remarkable conclusion that a correct and complete doctrine of creation is the answer to all the problems that burden this

present hurting world.

The four-chapter message direct from God that climaxes the Book of Job is unparalleled by anything else in the Bible. Even unbelieving scholars acknowledge it as one of the world's greatest masterpieces of literature. However, it is much more than that. It enables us to understand God's great love and his eternal purposes in a unique, though somewhat disconcerting and surprising way. It provides the long-needed key to effective and victorious living under circumstances of pain and sorrow.





“Then the LORD answered Job out of the storm. He said:

“Who is this that darkens my counsel with words without knowledge?

Brace yourself like a man; I will question you, and you shall answer me.”

Job 38:1-3





“Where were you when I laid the
earth’s foundation?

Tell me if you understand.

Who marked off its dimensions?

Surely you know!”

Job 38:4,5



“Who stretched a measuring line
across it?

On what were its footings set, or
who laid its cornerstone – while the
morning stars sang together and all
the angels shouted for joy?”

Job 38:5-7

If humans are ever to “subdue the
earth” as God commanded, they must
understand, first of all, its wonderful
origin. Strange and imaginative have been
the various cosmogonies invented by



ancient pagan evolutionists and modern
“scientific” evolutionists. To all such
speculations, God rejoins: “How could you
possibly know what happened? Were you
there?”

Henry M. Morris



“Who shut up the sea behind doors
when it burst forth from the womb,

when I made the clouds its garment
and wrapped it in thick darkness.”

Job 38:8,9

