"Same Old, Same Old?"
Job 22-24
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I. Eliphaz' 3rd Speech – Job 22

A. "Job, your feigned innocence isn't going to help you one bit."

B. "Let me tell you all the things you've obviously done…"

C. "The wicked do so get judged swiftly; it's clearly happening to *you*!"

D. "Repent and God will be merciful."

II. Job's 3rd Response to Eliphaz – Job 23-24

A. "I know I can convince God of my innocence of great sin – yet He remains inaccessible."

B. "God's delay in judging the wicked means He's not paying all that much attention to their evil."

1. Job wasn't saying God *can't* see the deeds of the wicked (as Eliphaz accused him of saying in Job 22).

2. Job was theorizing that God was *choosing* not to pay attention.

3. This was a step too far.

C. "Eliphaz, you are wrong in your claim that the wicked are judged swiftly."

III. (Repeated) Lessons for Us Today

A. We ought not assume that the severe trials of our fellow believers are evidence of great sin in their lives.

B. We ought not assume that delay in judgment or promised blessing means that God has stopped paying careful attention to His world.