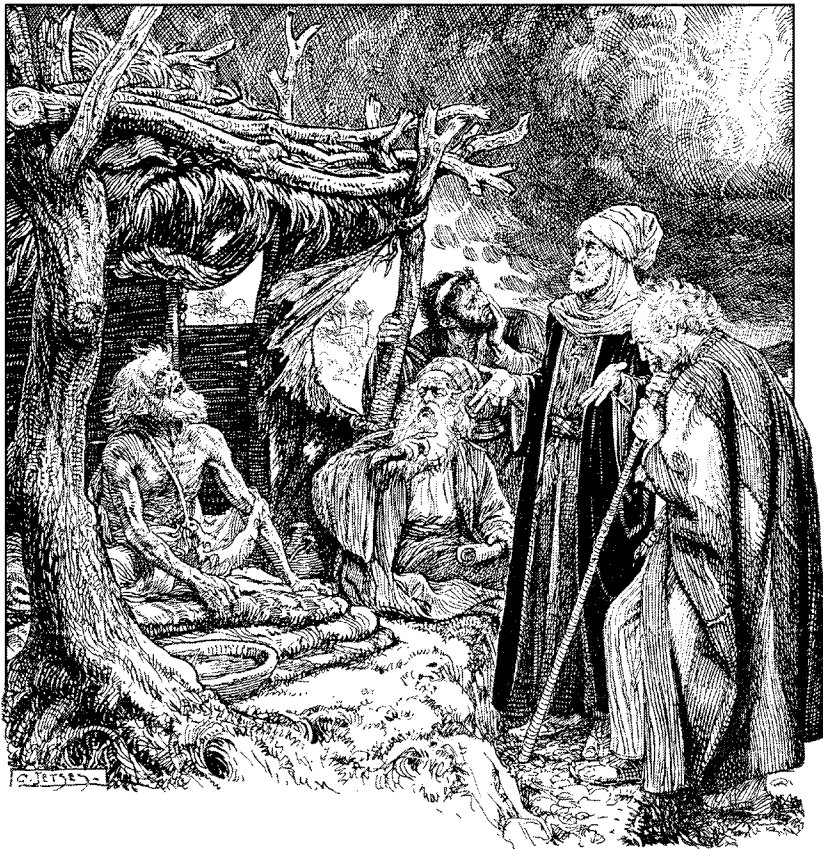


# The Book of Job Unfolded



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# Introduction

This answer key for *The Book of Job Unfolded* is provided by the staff of Christian Liberty Press to help the parent-instructor prepare to teach this course and evaluate student progress.

## TO THE PARENT-INSTRUCTOR

**The parent-instructor must be directly involved in the teaching process and should not leave the student alone with this course.** The parent-instructor should first become familiar with the book of Job in the Bible, the textbook, the textbook exercises, and the model or sample responses to those exercises in this answer key. The parent-instructor is advised to prepare slightly ahead of the student, partly by using this answer key, to be alerted, for example, to potential difficulties and important points.

**Please also take special note that the student must *not* have access to the contents of this answer key.** The student should do his own work out of the textbook and respond using his own words. The student is to proceed in the course by reading the textbook and the book of Job in the Bible, each portion in its turn, and by writing responses to the corresponding textbook exercises. The student's answers should reflect thoughtful interaction with both the textbook and the book of Job. The student should use quotation marks and page references in his responses when quoting phrases or sentences from the textbook. The model answers that we provide in this answer key are by no means the only acceptable answers. For many questions, the answer may vary. To make grading and evaluation of the daily work from the textbook easier, we suggest the parent-instructor direct the student to write down each question or exercise from the book (for example, on notebook paper) as well as his own answer.

Learning objectives should be achieved through guidance based on the contents of the textbook, not through communicating the answers in the answer key to the student. Again, the answer key is for parent-instructor use only as a tool for teaching preparation and evaluation of student progress. Any direct or indirect student access to the contents of this answer key invalidates the student's

written work as a measure of student performance, and is a violation of accepted academic principles.

### **POINTERS FOR PUPILS**

The student is to carefully read each chapter and the corresponding portions of the book of Job in the Bible to prepare written responses to Comprehension Questions at the end of each chapter. We recommend that the student also take notes on what he is reading. This should help him retain important elements of each chapter. When responding to the Comprehension Questions, the student should follow these general pointers:

1. Restate the question in the answer.
2. Use complete sentences.
3. Demonstrate strong written expression.
4. Answer all parts of each question.
5. Use specific quotes or references from the text and/or Scripture to support the answer.
6. Avoid underdeveloped or truncated answers. One word answers are unacceptable.
7. Establish a high level of thought in the response.
8. Create a well-crafted and fully developed response. Support your answer with reasons.

Please be sure your student understands these general pointers.

# Text Key

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## CHAPTER 1:

### *Job's Happy Condition*

#### ◆ Comprehension Questions—Pages 12, 13

1. The primary theme deals with the mystery of divine providence in the sufferings of good men.
2. The author believed that God intended for the Holy Bible to have a natural usefulness and appeal to all types of people and cultures. Consequently, the Lord directed the Bible to be filled with a wide variety of literary styles and diverse themes.
3. The first reason to believe that Job was a real man was that the Scriptures refer to Job in context with other real historical figures such as Noah and Daniel. Secondly, the whole story of Job is presented as a true history and is not presented as a parable.
4. The author emphasized that exceptional cases like Job do not change the rule of life. Generally speaking, the godly man will live long and profit greatly from his righteous lifestyle.
5. *Note that the question asks “how many years” but an exact number is not required.* Job enjoyed years of blessings before his difficult trial.
6. The fact that Job feared God and worked righteousness was of utmost importance to the Lord. The author believed that outward associations or ancestry are no guarantee or pledge of God's favor.
7. Job was “blameless” in the sense that he was consistently honest and upright towards God and man.
8. Job was a faithful father because he was in the habit of caring for the spiritual and physical needs of his children. He offered burnt offerings on a consistent basis as the spiritual leader of his household.
9. Biblical Christianity helps to promote habits that are useful in business and life. God's law encourages hard work, thrift, and frugality. It also directs people to avoid wastefulness, foolish activities, and extravagance.
10. Trusting in God and walking by faith was what the author believed to be the true pathway to happiness. Godliness with contentment is great gain.
11. No. The joy that is promised to the believer rests upon his sweet communion with God and the satisfaction that comes from doing right.