



**RUINED!**

**The book of Job**

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**Pr'me**  
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**"Responded!"**

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## When You're Ruined!, Your Response Shapes Your Recovery

### The Repeats (required)

They are the same, but *WE* change, so please discuss these with your group

- [Share the announcements (on FB thread) with your group]
- Welcome back to Pr'me Groups! Remember, we're going to *open* by sharing God Moments about what He is doing in our lives, but save our prayer requests for the END of Pr'me. Go around and share your God Moments: how have you seen God working, either in your life or in the life of another over the past month? [Leaders: plan for a way to collect prayer requests at the end, then share them with your Pr'me]
- Is there anything that you want to share that has stood out to you so far from the current Point series?



### The Reminder (required)

Read this section to review the Point for everyone

- This Week's Point:  
**When You're Ruined!, Your Response Shapes Your Recovery**
- This Week's Object Lesson:  
**Asking the wrong questions**
- This Week's Bible Passage & Focus Verse: Job 1:1-2:10  
"I came naked from my mother's womb, and I will be naked when I leave. The LORD gave me what I had, and the LORD has taken it away. Praise the name of the LORD!" (Job 1:21, NLT)

## The Reflection (required)

Discuss these to go deeper, *and more personal*, into applying the Point

- If you were in a TV interview, would you rather ask a “stupid question” (with an obvious answer), or give a “stupid answer”? Why?
- Before this series started, what did you know about Job?
- *We’ll get into this in later weeks*, but, for now, does it surprise you to hear that Job is *not* about “why do bad things happen?”, but about “how will we respond?” Why/not? What does **Job 1:8-12** add?
- Read **Job 1:20-22**. How did Job *respond* when he lost his family and possessions? How do you feel about his response here? Why?
- What does **Coloss. 1:16-17**, **Hebrews 1:3**, & **James 1:16-17** add?
- Read **Job 2:9-10**. How did Job *respond* when his health was taken away? How do you feel about his response this time? Why?
- What does **John 16:33** & **John 15:18-20** add?
- In what ways—good OR bad—can our response affect/shape our recovery when we go through a difficult time? Why?
- Read, then contrast each of these Bible characters’ responses to ruin:
  - King Saul (**1 Samuel 18:6-11**) VS. Joseph (**Genesis 50:15-21**)
  - Pharaoh (**Exodus 14:5-9**) VS. Silas (& Paul) (**Acts 16:22-25**)
  - Jonah (**Jonah 4:5-11**) VS. Paul (**Philippians 4:4**)
- Which one of these is your most common response when faced with ruin? What can help you respond in a way that honors God?

## The Reinforcement (optional)

Use these questions for further discussion during your group, or at home

- Read these passages for more in-depth background and stories about the “ruin” of the Biblical characters above [These are LONG!]
  - King Saul: **1 Samuel 15:1-17:58**
  - Joseph: **Genesis 37:12-26**
  - Pharaoh: **Exodus 7:1-12:42**
  - Silas (& Paul): **Acts 16:16-40**
  - Jonah: **Jonah 1:1-4:11**
  - Paul: **Acts 21:27-28:16**