



## EXPLORE THE BIBLE.

Job Sermon Series  
Supports Session 3: Redemption Found  
Sermon Title: "My Redeemer Lives"  
Passage: Job 19:19-29

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### Connection to Job 19

Job has moments of despair due to his circumstances and second-guesses his relationships with his friends. However, Job emphasizes that God will be faithful to him. Believers can have this confidence, too, when they look to Christ.

### Introduction/Opening

It can be extremely easy to look at outside circumstances—especially if they are unpleasant—and believe deep down that we are alone or abandoned by God. It can be an uncomfortable position for believers to find themselves. It is important to realize our momentary feelings are just that—*feelings*—and that we have an unshakable promise of God's presence when we turn to Him.

Job had friends who surround him and offered counsel. However, they were not the best counselors and failed to offer him the best advice. While it is very important that believers surround themselves with other believers, earthly friendships are never a substitute for the counsel of God. Believers must trust, in the end, that God's counsel is most important.

As Job processed his pain with his unhelpful friends, he questioned their loyalty and friendship. Job changed the focus from earthly friendship and spoke of the confidence he had in his relationship with God.

### Outline

#### I. The Profession

Job never lost his core belief in God. He was shaken. He was broken, but Job never lost faith. In verse 23, Job wished that his words were made eternal and that his confidence in God were written down for future generations to read. This type of confidence in the storm is only borne of the Holy Spirit. During his confusion, Job desired that his words about the Lord be written down. He was not alone that desire. We see others declaring their trust in God and those words being recorded.

- a. Psalm 62:8: David declared his confidence in God through a song, stating that God alone was his hope and salvation.
- b. Isaiah 26:4: Isaiah also penned a song that would be sung as the earth was judged and God's people are vindicated.

David, Isaiah, and Job remind us that unwavering trust in God is the path of salvation. That salvation is worthy of being included in written form for all to read.

## II. The Promises

### a. God's Presence

In verse 25, Job makes one of the most confident declarations of God's presence in Scripture. Job's friends are a disappointing presence in his life, and he has lost everything he holds dear on earth. Yet Job placed his full trust in the knowledge of the living God. Instead of succumbing to emotion, he made a choice to trust in the objective reality of seeing God in the end (vv. 25-27). Even while Job rested on the reality of seeing God, it doesn't mean he was not emotional, either. Verse 27 says Job says his heart "longs" within him. His deepest desire was to know and see God.

### b. God's Justice

Even though Job rests in God's promised presence, He also found comfort and peace in knowing that God is judge. Knowing God brings justice to our situations can certainly bring the believer peace.

God being judge also causes the believer to keep a close watch over his or her life. Believers often follow Christ because of His great love, but believers must also realize that God holds them accountable for their actions. Therefore, God being judge helps believers know the standard of conduct.

## III. The Perspective

Job's confidence and trust in God's presence serve as the prism through which he viewed life. Practically, how would your life be different if you viewed your life through the prism of Job? How would your daily experience with your spouse, children, and coworkers change if you trusted God in the same manner as Job? Confidence like Job's does not come without effort. It is acquired through daily, moment-by-moment trust in Christ in every situation the believer faces.

## Conclusion

Our friends can often disappoint us. Our friends can often be well meaning, yet they give advice that may be incorrect or ungodly such as Job's friends. However, believers can trust God to be faithful when they keep their focus on Him. Job's ultimate confidence was not in his friends; it was a rock-solid confidence that God was present in his life and would right all wrongs because He is judge. Believers should trust God's presence in their lives over their friend's advice and trust that God will right all wrongs in His timing as Job did.

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