

10-08-25 Points

Title: Pursuing Godliness: Lessons from Job and Biblical Heroes

Sermon Summary: This sermon explores the characteristics of individuals who found favor with God, focusing on Job's righteousness and comparing it to other biblical figures like Noah and Cornelius. The pastor emphasizes the importance of being blameless, upright, God-fearing, and actively shunning evil. He encourages believers to cultivate these qualities in their own lives, not for salvation, but to genuinely impress God and draw closer to Him. The sermon also touches on spiritual warfare and the reality of evil influences in the world.

Key Points:

- Job was described as blameless, upright, God-fearing, and one who shunned evil
- Similar characteristics were found in Noah and Cornelius, who also found favor with God
- These qualities are attainable and desirable for modern believers
- Spiritual warfare is real, and believers must be aware of evil influences
- God notices and is pleased by those who earnestly seek Him and live righteously
- Our works cannot save us, but they can impress God and deepen our relationship with Him

Scripture Reference:

- Job 1:1-5
- Genesis 6:5-9
- Acts 10:1-8

Stories:

- The story of Job's righteousness and God's approval
- Noah's righteousness in contrast to the wickedness of his time
- Cornelius' devotion and generosity leading to God's favor and his encounter with Peter