

# Questioning God's Love

by Theodore Epp

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*The sermon explores the challenges of maintaining faith in God's love amidst suffering, using the story of Job as a central example.*

**Scripture:** Job 2:1

**Topics:** "God's Love", "Suffering and Integrity"

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## Description

Theodore Epp explores the theme of questioning God's love through the trials faced by Job, who, after losing his possessions and family, is afflicted with a painful disease. Despite his suffering, Job's integrity is challenged by his wife, who doubts God's love and urges him to curse God. Epp highlights the common struggle of believers to reconcile their suffering with the belief in a loving God, reminding us that God's plans are ultimately for our welfare and hope, even in the darkest times.

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## Transcript

Job 2:1-10

Satan did not give up easily. He did not succeed the first time, but he would try again. He had removed Job's possessions and his family, but now he was going to touch Job where he thought every person was vulnerable. Satan's proposition now was to add physical suffering to the problems of this man whom he thought was strained to the breaking point.

God had given His permission, so Satan brought a terrible disease on Job. Some think it was a form of black leprosy, said to be the worst kind of leprosy.

Even after all this, Satan was not through with Job. Another blow was still to come. Job's wife came to him and said, "Dost thou still retain thine integrity? curse God, and die" (Job 2:9).

She must have thought that God, whom Job served, had forsaken him. Possibly she thought God could not be a God of love since He had let such suffering come upon a man who had served Him so well.

Isn't such an attitude familiar to us? Haven't we even thought these things ourselves?

"For I know the plans that I have for you,' declares the Lord, 'plans for welfare and not for calamity to give you a future and a hope'" (Jer. 29:11, NASB).

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