

## *The Recovery Room*

# **WHY BAD THINGS HAPPEN** **TO GOOD PEOPLE**

*Job 1-2      Jeff Schreve*

**How can you heal from the bad things that make no sense?**

### **1. God allows bad things to touch you.**

A. God is in complete control.

*Aren't two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them falls to the ground without your Father's consent. Matthew 10:29*

B. Satan can only do what God allows him to do.

*Have You not made a hedge about him and his house and all that he has, on every side? Job 1:9*

### **2. God uses bad things to test you.**

*Does Job fear God for nothing? Job 1:9*

A. Your motive for fearing God is most important.

*"Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?" And He said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the great and foremost commandment." Matthew 22:36-38*

B. Your response to bad things is most revealing.

*Then Job arose and tore his robe and shaved his head, and he fell to the ground and worshiped, He said, "Naked I came from my mother's womb, and naked I shall return there. The Lord gave and the Lord has taken away. Blessed be the name of the Lord." Through all this Job did not sin nor did he blame God. Job 1:20-22*

### **3. God engineers bad things to teach you.**

A. God wants you to really know Him.

*I heard about you before, but now I have seen you with my own eyes. I take back everything I said, and I sit in dust and ashes to sow my repentance. Job 42:5-6*

B. God wants you to really trust Him.

*Though He slay me, yet will I trust Him. Job 13:15*

1. You must know that He loves you.
2. You must know that He knows what He is doing.
3. You must know that He will reward you.

*For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared to the glory that is to be revealed to us. Romans 8:18*