



**April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018 | Sunday AM**

## **Why do Bad Things Happen to Good People?**

### **Job 1**

*1 And There was a man in the land of Uz, whose name was Job; and that man was perfect and upright, and one that feared God, and eschewed evil.*

*2 And there were born unto him seven sons and three daughters.*

*3 His substance also was seven thousand sheep, and three thousand camels, and five hundred yoke of oxen, and five hundred she asses, and a very great household; so that this man was the greatest of all the men of the east.*

*4 And his sons went and feasted in their houses, every one his day; and sent and called for their three sisters to eat and to drink with them.*

*5 And it was so, when the days of their feasting were gone about, that Job sent and sanctified them, and rose up early in the morning, and offered burnt offerings according to the number of them all: for Job said, It may be that my sons have sinned, and cursed God in their hearts. Thus did Job continually.*

*6 Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan came also among them...*

## 1. God Allows Bad Things to \_\_\_\_\_ you

**James 1:13** *Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God: for God cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempteth he any man:*

*“Bad things may touch you... bad things will never own you!  
They don’t define you!”*

## 2. God Uses Bad Things to \_\_\_\_\_ you

**Matthew 22: 37** *Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.*<sup>38</sup> *This is the first and great commandment.*

## 3. God Uses Bad Things to \_\_\_\_\_ you

**Mark 10:18** *And Jesus said unto him, Why callest thou me good? there is none good but one, that is, God.*

**Romans 3:12** *They are all gone out of the way, they are together become unprofitable; there is none that doeth good, no, not one.*

### **Action Steps:**

1. Realize that bad things do not own you. (define you)
2. Ask yourself why you do what you do.
3. Allow suffering to strengthen you.