

2026-02-04 Summary

This message takes us deep into the Book of Job, but not just to observe ancient suffering—rather, to hold up a mirror to our own souls. We're challenged to examine a crucial question: when hardship strikes, do we worship our pain or worship our God? Job's story reveals a man who knew God intellectually but struggled to maintain worship when everything collapsed around him. In contrast, we see David in Psalm 139 marveling at God's constant presence and attention, declaring that God knows every thought before it's spoken. The difference between these two perspectives becomes our lesson: David had practiced seeking God's presence in good times, building an arsenal of truth about God's character that sustained him through darkness. Job, meanwhile, searched for God in every direction and couldn't find Him—not because God wasn't there, but because pain had become Job's focus. We're invited to consider whether we've replaced the worship of God with the worship of our circumstances. The Apostle Paul's example in Acts 21 and 27 shows us what it looks like to maintain unshakeable faith even when storms rage for fourteen days straight. His secret? He knew who God was, not just what God could do. This message calls us to intentionally build our knowledge of God now, to write down His faithfulness, to practice worship when life is calm, so that when devastation comes—and Scripture promises it will—we won't be swept away by our emotions or logic, but anchored to the Rock of our salvation.