

# IN THE DARKEST OF DAYS

## NOTES

Why do \_\_\_\_\_ things happen to \_\_\_\_\_ people?

T \_\_\_\_\_ - Defense of God's goodness and omnipotence in view of the existence of evil.

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#### REMEMBER LIFE HAS B\_\_\_\_\_

*In the land of Uz there lived a man whose name was Job. This man was blameless and upright; he feared God and shunned evil.* Job 1:1 NIV

*2 He had seven sons and three daughters, 3 and he owned seven thousand sheep, three thousand camels, five hundred yoke of oxen and five hundred donkeys, and had a large number of servants. He was the greatest man among all the people of the East.* Job 1:2-3 NIV

*The Lord gave and the Lord has taken away;* Job 1:21b NIV

#### KNOW THERE IS MORE G\_\_\_\_\_ O\_\_\_\_\_ THAN YOU ARE A\_\_\_\_\_

*8 Then the Lord said to Satan, "Have you considered my servant Job?*

*There is no one on earth like him; he is blameless and upright, a man who fears God and shuns evil."*

*9 "Does Job fear God for nothing?" Satan replied. 10 "Have you not put a hedge around him and his household and everything he has? You have blessed the work of his hands, so that his flocks and herds are spread throughout the land. 11 But now stretch out your hand and strike everything he has, and he will surely curse you to your face."* Job 1:8-11 NIV

*Surely I spoke of things I did not understand, things too wonderful for me to know.* Job 42:3b NIV

#### ACKNOWLEDGE S\_\_\_\_\_ HAPPENS TO E\_\_\_\_\_

*At this, Job got up and tore his robe and shaved his head.* Job 1:20a NIV

*Mortals, born of woman, are of few days and full of trouble.* Job 14:1 NIV

#### A\_\_\_\_\_ THE LORD YOUR Q\_\_\_\_\_

- In some form or another, Job asked *Why do bad things happen to good people* as many as \_\_\_\_\_ times throughout the book.

Nothing about your present circumstances – be they good or bad – have c\_\_\_\_\_ the first thing about the nature of God and His l\_\_\_\_\_ consideration of you.

#### W\_\_\_\_\_

*20 At this, Job got up and tore his robe and shaved his head. Then he fell to the ground in worship 21 and said:*

*"Naked I came from my mother's womb, and naked I will depart.*

*The Lord gave and the Lord has taken away;*

*may the name of the Lord be praised."* Job 1:20-21 NIV

Travail is the root word for the term \_\_\_\_\_.

The question is not *Will we suffer?*

The question is: *How will we r\_\_\_\_\_ when suffering hits our world?*

- *I have never had c\_\_\_\_\_; what I've always had is t\_\_\_\_\_.* -Mother Teresa

I cannot offer clarity on the reasons why bad things happen.

But I can tell you what the reason i\_\_\_\_\_ n\_\_\_\_\_:

It is \_\_\_\_\_.

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