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Date: 5/1/22 **Series:** Job: Uncertainty, Suffering, and a Sovereign God **Message:** God Sovereign in Suffering **Scripture:** Job 1:1-19, 2:1-8

Our Suffering:

God's Sovereignty:

Questions for Reflection and Discussion

Job 1:1-19, 2:1-8

- 1. What difference does having an understanding and belief in God make in times of suffering?
- 2. The sermon discussed avoiding pat answers to the question of suffering. What are some typical pat answers you have heard about why suffering exists? How are these answers possibly helpful, and how are they *not* helpful?
- 3. How would you describe God's part and Satan's part in Job's suffering?
- 4. What does suffering reveal to us about God's character? About His wisdom?
- 5. What about the mystery of God tends to frustrate you? What about it do you find comforting?
- 6. How does it encourage you to know that God in His goodness rules over all things for our good? Where have you seen this in your own life?
- 7. How does suffering force us to acknowledge that we aren't the ones in control?
- 8. How might this account of Job change the way you normally think about and process suffering in the future?