Job Lesson 2\_The Role of the Adversary

1. Victim to Victory Story (Modern Era Jobs)
2. Introduction to the Theme
   1. Definition of the Theme
3. Role: a person’s (or being’s) expected functions, activities, and actions
4. The role and person of HaSatan is in his names: like the Adversary or Antagonist
5. He is known as the Accuser and Slanderer
6. He is Abaddon/Apollyon, the Afflicter and Destroyer
7. He is also the Tempter
   1. Participant Expectations
8. What issues do you expect to be addressed?
9. What have you always wanted to know?
10. Perspectives on the Theme
    1. Key biblical references for the Theme
11. Job 1-2; 42 (Adversary, Antagonist, Accuser, Afflicter, Tempter, Loser)
12. Job 2:9 (the temptress)
13. Job 4:8,27; 8:11; 11:5-6, 33:9,12 (the earthly accusers)
14. Gen 3; Matt 4:1 (Tempter)
15. Zech 3:1-2 (Accuser)
16. Luke 22:31 (Afflicter)
17. II Cor 11:14 (angel of light)
18. I Pet 5:8 (Slanderer, Antagonist)
19. Rev 9:11; 12:3,7-9 (Destroyer)
    1. Complicating cultural influences
20. How is the Adversary portrayed today?
21. How does the culture generally characterize him?
22. Here are three examples of contemporary cultural influence
    1. Teachings from Job on the Theme

1. The story of Job does not teach dualism

2. Job and Jesus show us that the Adversary is our adversary (Luke 22:31)

3. Job's saga reveals the Adversary as an influencer seeking opportunities to temp us to turn our backs on God

4. Job’s friends and wife teach us that we must not become allies of the Accuser and Tempter

1. Engagement Questions and Closing Applications
   1. What do you think was the purpose of the Adversary in coming before God?
   2. How do we know when it’s the affliction of the Adversary and not God?
   3. What does the Bible teach us about responding to affliction?
   4. Why doesn’t the Adversary appear at the end of the book?