

“Now when Job’s three friends heard of all this evil that had come upon him, they came each from his own place, Eliphaz the Temanite, Bildad the Shuhite, and Zophar the Naamathite. They made an appointment together to come to show him sympathy and comfort him. And when they saw him from a distance, they did not recognize him. And they raised their voices and wept, and they tore their robes and sprinkled dust on their heads toward heaven. And they sat with him on the ground seven days and seven nights, and no one spoke a word to him, for they saw that his suffering was very great.”

Job 2:11-13 (ESV)

1) They _____ **up!**

2) They _____ **Job in his grief!**

3) They _____ **silent!**

“Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. In my Father’s house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also.”

John 14:1-3 (ESV)

“After this Job opened his mouth and cursed the day of his birth. And Job said: ‘Let the day perish on which I was born, and the night that said, A man is conceived.’ Let that day be darkness! May God above not seek it, nor light shine upon it.” *Job 3:1-4 (ESV)*

a) **Why didn’t I die at birth?**

b) **Why did my family receive me?**

c) **Why did my mother feed me?**

d) **Why was I not stillborn?**

e) **Why am I still alive as an adult? *And the big one found in Job 3:23 (NLT)***

f) **Why is life given to those with no future, those God has surrounded with difficulties?**

1. **Seek _____ first!**

“Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually!”

Psalm 105:4 (ESV)

“The Lord is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit.”

Psalm 34:18 (ESV)

“You will seek me and find me, when you seek me with all your heart.”

Jeremiah 29:13 (ESV)

“Be still, and know that I am God.” *Psalm 46:10a (ESV)*

2. **Stay _____ to the Family of God!**

“And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.”

Hebrews 10:24-25 (ESV)

“Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep.”

Romans 12:15 (ESV)