

Come Forth As Gold: (Job 23:10)

Job is still at a loss for why he is being afflicted. (Vs 1-4)

Job knows that his three friends have not a clue to what is happening to him.

Job doesn't know either, but he knows where he can go and get answers, God.

Job gets his response from God at the end of the book: (Vs 5-7)

These friends continue to say that God would destroy him for his alleged hypocrisy.

Job is saying that God would not destroy him, but would judge him righteously. (Vs 8-9)

Job has searched for God's answer, but has not found them.

Job is a man who was going through some of the most powerful sufferings of anyone, save that of Jesus, yet did not know why.

Job is also one of the most righteous men in all scripture.

He appealed to God to tell him what to do to be relieved from this pain.

Text: (Job 23:10) *But he knoweth the way that I take: when he hath tried me, I shall come forth as gold.*

I shall come forth:

I'll not quit, mess up, or give up.

We are all vulnerable to quit in the pit!

Illus: Joseph didn't quit in the pit!

As Gold:

Precious – Useable

Burn off Dross – (1 Cor 3:11-15) Tried by fire.

He knew God was with Him: (vs 8-10) I am not out of His sight! (2 Tim 1:12)

He knew the refiner personally: (Job 19:25-27)

God never leaves us unattended. (Heb 13:5)(1 Cor 1:4-5)

He knew God loved him: (Job 23:15-16)(James 1:2-4)

He knew it was not more than he could bare: (Vs 17)
(1 Pet 1:7)(1 Cor 10:13)

He knew it would end: (Vs 13-14) God has a plan,
(Rom 8:28-29) (Phil 3:10) (1 Pet 4:13-14)

He didn't choose it - He endured - He Finished it!
(Matt 26:39) (Jn 16:33)

(11-12) Stay faithful!

Jesus answered Satan with the Word of God: (Matt 4:3-4)
Every Christian that gets used has a thorn! (2 Cor 12:7-10)