Job 2:7-10 So Satan went out from the presence of the LORD and afflicted Job with painful sores from the soles of his feet to the top of his head. [8] Then Job took a piece of broken pottery and scraped himself with it as he sat among the ashes. [9] His wife said to him, "Are you still holding on to your integrity? Curse God and die!" [10] He replied, "You are talking like a foolish woman. Shall we accept good from God, and not trouble?" In all this. Job did not sin in what he said.

****This kind of Trust and Surrender to God's Will should challenge all of us. Essentially Job is saying everything that comes into our lives passes through God's will first. I will accept from God whatever He decides is necessary for me.

Life Application Bible Notes: "Many people think that believing in God protects them from trouble, so when calamity comes, they question God's goodness and justice. But the message of Job is that you should not give up on God because he allows you to have bad experiences. Faith in God does not guarantee personal prosperity, and lack of faith does not guarantee troubles in this life. If this were so, people would believe in God simply to get rich. God is capable of rescuing us from suffering, but he may also allow suffering to come for reasons we cannot understand. It is Satan's strategy to get us to doubt God at exactly this moment. Here Job shows a perspective broader than seeking his own personal comfort. If we always knew why we were suffering, our faith would have no room to grow."

PRAYER: Lord God help me to be more and more like Job. Help me to understand that Your plan may not make sense to me here but that You know what You are doing and that You are worthy of my Trust. Please Lord God help me to honor you by submitting to Your plan for my life without complaint. Help me to accept all things from Your hand knowing You will provide the strength I need to follow You.

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