"Lessons From Job's Wife"

Lesson Text: Job 2:7-10. What We Can Learn From Her Statement In Vs. 9.

I. She Recognized God's Existence.

- Her Statement, As Misguided As It Was, Does Show Us She Had At Least Some Level Of Acknowledgment Of God's Existence, God's Control....
- The Question Is: Did She Fully Trust In God? James 2:19; John 12:42.
- How Many People Today Recognize God's Existence, But Do Not Fully Trust In Him?
- Our Faith Needs To Be More Like Job's Faith Job 1:20-22.
 - That's What Persevering Faith Is All About- James 1:2-4.
- God Wants Us To Believe & Trust In Him In Times Of Adversity- Proverbs 3:5-6.

II. She Served To Aid The Enemy.

- Sometimes, We Can Aid The Devil In Hurting Others In Their Time Of Need.
- When Job Needed Her Support, Her Words Were Words Of Discouragement and Abandonment Of God. A "Give Up" Attitude, Instead Of Perseverance.
- This Was The Goal Of Satan's Distress Of Job! Job 2:4-5.
- But To Give Up Is A Sure Way Of Losing Everything And Pointless!
 - James 1:12 (NASB).

III. She May Have Felt Job Was Being Punished.

- She May Have Felt Like Others, That God Was The One Punishing Job.
- Job's Friends Had Many Accusations About Job And Perhaps Hiding Sin.
- The Problem Was: That Good People Can Suffer Innocently.
 - John 9:1-3. A Common Misconception.

IV. She Was Only Thinking Of The Present Suffering.

- It Seems From Her Statement, That Things Were Never Going To Get Better.
- This "Here And Now" Type Of Thinking That Suffering Can Discourage Us.
- 2 Corinthians 4:16-18. We Must Not Lose Heart!

V. She Spoke Foolishly.

- Job 2:10.
- Bearing In Mind Her Emotional State, She Still Spoke What Was On Her Mind.
- Truly, It Wasn't The Words Of Wisdom Or Confident Faith In God.
- Moses Spoke Rashly To His Own Harm- Psalm 106:32-33.

VI. She Didn't Sway Her Husband's Thinking.

- Job 2:10.
- That's Why Job Is A Great Example Of Persevering Faith- James 5:11.
- Job 42:12-17.