

DISILLUSIONMENT: ITS CAUSES AND ITS CURE

Job 35:1-16

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Introduction: One theme in the book of Job that runs from the beginning to the end is disillusionment. In Job's attempt to defend himself, his words exalt himself and condemn God. Without even realizing it a godly man became blind to his own sin – that's scary! The message of this chapter is like a megaphone that shouts to the church of God, "Brethren, beware for even spiritual believers are prone to the disillusionment of self-righteousness." As Christians, we are experts in seeing the faults and mistakes in other people, but we're so blind to our own. Our feelings and sinful heart have a way of blurring our self-perception. What we need is to visit the spiritual doctor Elihu for a diagnosis and cure of our sinful souls. Open your Bibles with me and seize the balm for your soul and be cleansed!

I. The Cause Disillusionment = Self-Righteousness (vs.1-12)

A. Pride in maintaining your innocence (vs. 1-2)

B. Deception regarding God's justice (vs. 3-8a)

C. Bitterness from your unanswered prayers (vs. 8b-12)

II. The Cure of Disillusionment = Fear God (vs. 13-16)

A. Stop making excuses for your actions (vs. 13)

B. Repent of your bad attitude (vs. 14-15)

C. Stop the grumbling (vs. 16)

Conclusion:



