

## BE A BRINGER

“40 One of the two who heard John speak, and followed Him, was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. 41 He first found his own brother Simon, and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated, the Christ). 42 And he brought him to Jesus....”  
John 1:40-42a

A bringer makes one touch each week by investing and inviting someone to Christ and church.

Name three people you will pray for their salvation this week:

## PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE WEEK

“Moreover, as for me, far be it from me that I should sin against the LORD in ceasing to pray for you;....” I Samuel 12:23a

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## MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

Steve and Melda Howell | Kenya



### PRAISE

- Praise God for His faithful provision, allowing support to reach over 100% by the end of the year.
- Praise God for new and unexpected ministry opportunities, including the upcoming training in Kyrgyzstan.
- Praise God for the continued global impact of training leaders and multiplying disciples across many countries.

### PRAY

- Pray for the training in Kyrgyzstan, that communication through translation would be clear and that it would have a lasting impact on pastors and leaders.
- Pray for the training in Thailand, that those being trained would return home equipped to effectively train others.
- Pray for the Ichamus outreach in Kenya, for favor in the grant decision and for many churches to be planted among this unreached people group.



Handout: 04/12/26

Study Date: 04/19/26

## Choose Better Over Bitter

The verse from Job 23:10 offers profound insight into the nature of suffering and divine oversight. At its core, this passage conveys Job's unwavering faith in God during his trials. The phrase "he knows the way that I take" emphasizes God's intimate understanding of our lives, illustrating that He is aware of our struggles, joys, and every step we take.

The latter part of the verse, "when he has tried me, I shall come out as gold," reveals the transformative purpose of adversity. Gold is refined through fire, and similarly, our character is shaped and strengthened through life's challenges. This process of spiritual refinement leads to growth and resilience, suggesting that God allows trials not as punishment, but as a means to purify and elevate our spirits. This understanding encourages believers to view their hardships as opportunities for deepening their faith and trust in God.

Related keywords such as "spiritual growth," "faith during trials," and "divine testing" further illuminate the meaning of this verse, reminding us that even in our darkest moments, we are being prepared for something greater.

Reflecting on Job 23:10 invites us to consider our own responses to suffering and adversity. How often do we find ourselves questioning our path when faced with challenges? Job's declaration of faith challenges us to trust in a divine plan that transcends our understanding.

In our lives, we may encounter situations that feel unfair or overwhelming—loss, disappointment, or illness. Yet, like Job, we are called to recognize that these trials can lead to deeper faith and spiritual maturity. The imagery of coming out "as gold" serves as a reminder that our struggles can produce something beautiful, molding us into individuals of strength and character.

Resource: [Bibleverseexplained.com](http://Bibleverseexplained.com)

## KEY VERSE

Job 23:10 (NKJV)

*“But He knows the way that I take; When He has tested me, I shall come forth as gold.”*

Read Job 23:1-12 Every Day

## WEEKLY READINGS

### Monday: Job 23:10

#### Introduction

1. What do we learn of Job and his level of faith in Job 23:10? What does the statement; *“I shall come forth as gold”* mean for him?
2. What can we take away from paragraphs 4 and 5 on page 1? What do we learn about adversity and how it can shape our character?

### Tuesday: Job 7:20, 13:24, 23:1-2a, Psalm 62:8; James 5:16

#### Admit Your Feelings

3. What precisely is Job expressing in the verses of Job 7:20 and 23:1-2a? how would YOU define his “emotions” in these verses?
4. What promises are being made to us in Psalm 62:8 and James 5:16? Why should we *“pour out our heart”* before God and *“confess our trespasses?”*

### Wednesday: Job 1:8-12, 20-22, 13:15a, 23:8-10; 1 Pet. 1:6-7

#### Purify Your Faith

5. How did the trials Job faced impact his faith? Even though he could not sense God’s presence did he ever lose his faith? (Job 1:20-22, 23:8-10)
6. In I Peter 1:6-7 Job is being recognized for the genuineness of his faith. What is this level of faith *“more precious than?”*

### Thursday: Job 2:9-10, 23:11, 42:7; Isa. 43:2; Rom. 5:3-4, 11:36

#### Maintain Your Fortitude

7. How does Job react to the criticism from his wife according to Job 2:9-10 and 23:11?
8. What did Job’s friends tell him was the “reason” for his suffering? How did the Lord respond to their comments toward Job and why? (Job 4:25, 42:7)
9. Why does Romans 5:3-4 instruct us to *“glory in tribulations?”* What will going through trials and tribulations “produce” in us?

### Friday: Job 23:12; Matt. 4:4; Ps. 19:10; Jer. 15:16; I Pet. 2:2

#### Prioritize Your Spiritual Food

10. What should we learn from Job from his comments in Job 23:12? What does he *“treasure”* according to this verse?
11. According to Psalm 19:10 and Jeremiah 15:16 what should we value *most* in our life?
12. How often are you getting into God’s word on a weekly basis? Have you read through the Bible in it’s entirety? Is it a priority for YOU?