

We may never find ourselves in a predicament as trying as Job's, when Satan was given permission by God to test him severely. But that doesn't mean we won't have some of the same questions.

Job was searching for the wisdom to navigate his difficulties. In his discourse with his friends, Job said: "But where can wisdom be found?...From where then does wisdom come? Where is the place of understanding?...To man God said: 'Behold, the fear of the Lord, that is wisdom.'" (Job 28:12, 20, 28) Job's words would find agreement from Solomon who later wrote: "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom." (Proverbs 9:10) When we lack answers, the place to begin is the fear of the Lord - which means elevating His plans and purposes above our own, and submitting our lack of answers to His omniscience.

So when you find yourself needing wisdom, remember the words of James who quoted Solomon: "God resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble." (James 4:6)

Proverbs 9:10 "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding."