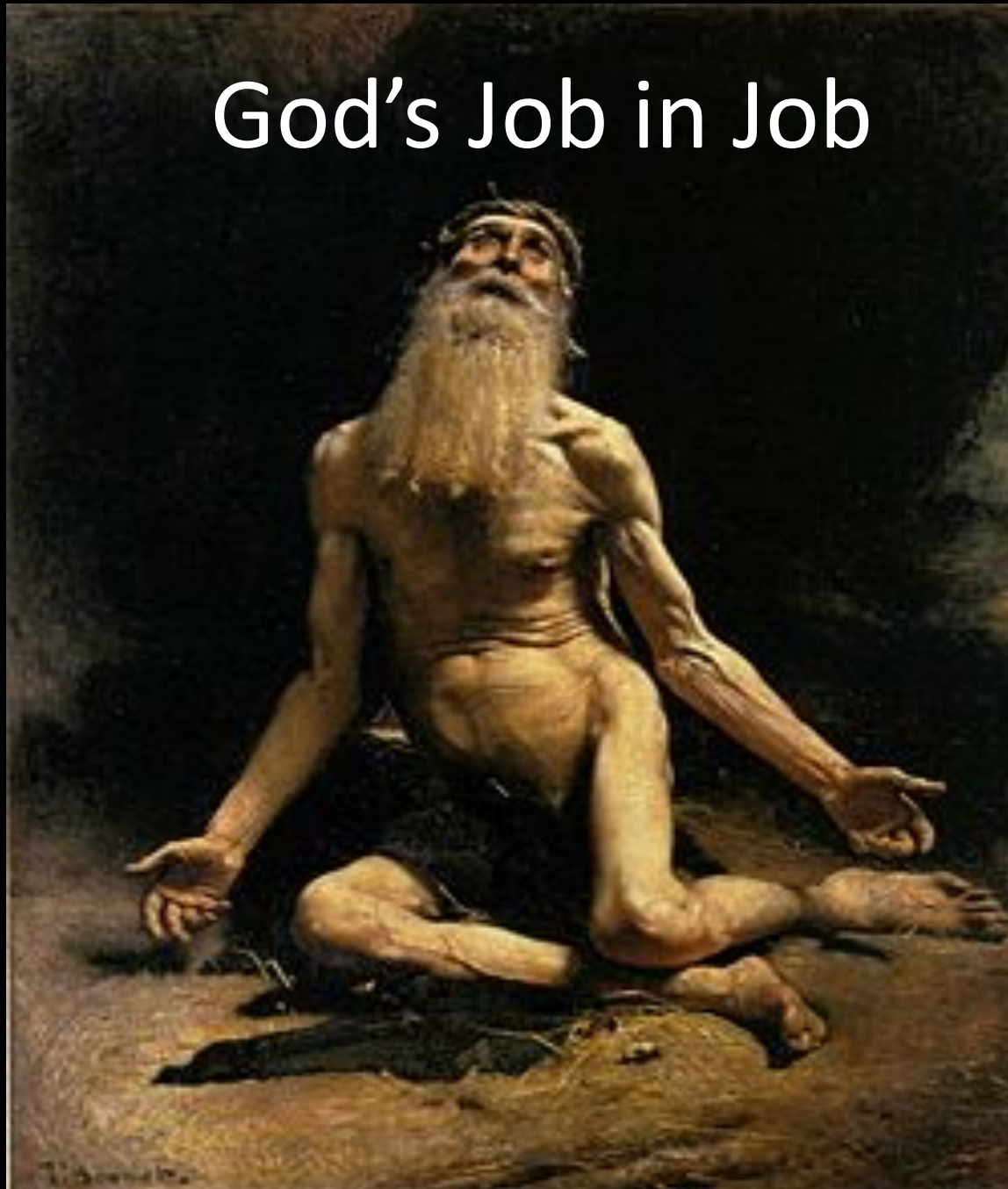


God's Job in Job



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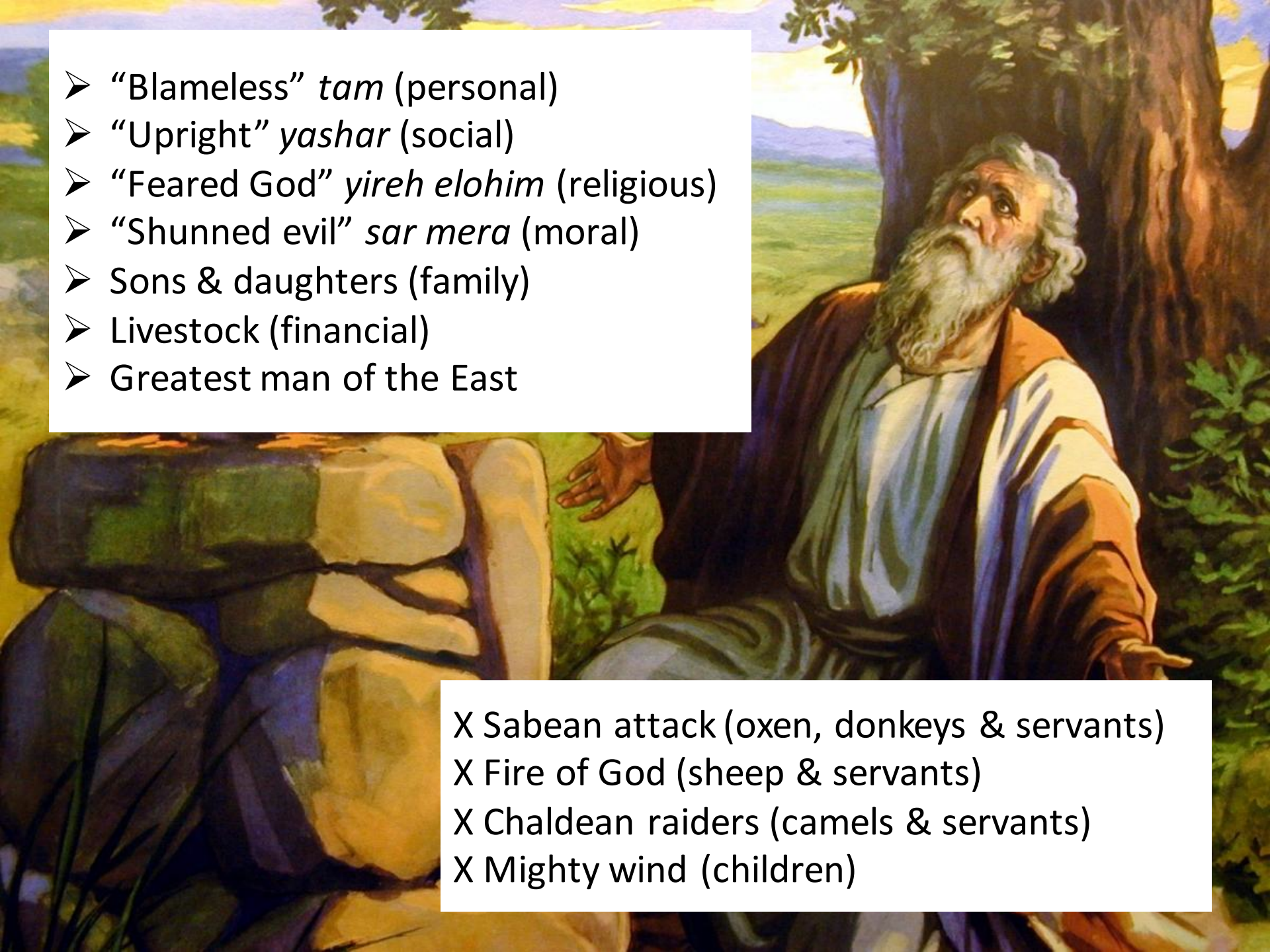
“one of the greatest masterpiece of world literature”

“...the greatest Jewish work of art”

“magnificent and sublime as no other book of Scripture”

Martin Luther

“the Shakespeare of the Old Testament”

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- “Blameless” *tam* (personal)
 - “Upright” *yashar* (social)
 - “Feared God” *yireh elohim* (religious)
 - “Shunned evil” *sar mera* (moral)
 - Sons & daughters (family)
 - Livestock (financial)
 - Greatest man of the East

- X Sabean attack (oxen, donkeys & servants)
- X Fire of God (sheep & servants)
- X Chaldean raiders (camels & servants)
- X Mighty wind (children)

God

Satan



Wife

Zophar

Eliphaz

Elihu

Bildad



Outline

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- Chp 1 & 2 : **Prologue**
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*Sometimes a good man suffers
not because of sin.*

*God is in control over the devil,
disasters and diseases.*

**A
Good
Man
Down**

- Chp 3: **Monologue:**
Job's Lament

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There is a place for lament in our prayers – a confrontation, a conflict and a connection

**A
God
You
Can
Blame**

➤ Chp 4-31: **Dialogue:**

The 3 Cycles of Speeches
by Eliphaz, Bildad & Zophar

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Doctrine of Retributive Justice

- 1. God is absolutely in control*
- 2. God is absolutely just & fair*
- 3. God always blesses the righteous & punishes the wicked*
- 4. Therefore if I am suffering I must have sinned & am being justly punished.*

**When
Being
Right
Is
Wrong**

➤ Chp 32-37: **Monologue:**

Elihu

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God is present even though we are not aware. He can use illness as a means to reach out to man, and will eventually restore joy when men accepts his lot in life.

Prayers are not answered because of pride, wrong motives and a lack of faith.

**A
Case
For
God**

➤ Chp 38 – 42:6 : Dialogue

GOD

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When God speaks, he speaks out of a storm. He doesn't answer our questions, but ask us larger questions in life to draw us to a deeper understanding of Him.

**The
Big
Boss
Speaks**

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What I Am Learning

JOB

*“You can be morally right, yet theologically wrong;
You can be theologically right, yet contextually wrong;
You can be contextually right, yet relationally wrong;
You can be relationally right, yet conclusively wrong”*

*What you don't know is more importantly
than what you do know*



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THEODICY ON TRIAL