JOB

THE PATIENT FRIEND

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Job lived in the land of Uz. He was a good man who feared God.

He had a wife and a grown-up family of seven sons and three daughters.

Job was a wealthy man – he had 7,000 sheep, 3,000 camels, 500 pairs of oxen, 500 donkeys and a large house with many servants.

Job's children had homes of their own and often met for a meal together. Job had a concern for his children and would regularly offer sacrifices to God for them, praying that God would forgive their sins.

God was pleased with how Job respected him and avoided evil. Satan, the evil one, also noticed how Job lived. 'Job is only good because he has an easy life and plenty of possessions,' he said to God. 'Take that away and he would curse you.'

So God allowed Satan to test Job's faith by attacking his possessions.