

**Message Notes**

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Series: Endurance and Trust in the  
Absence of Answers

Title: FRIENDS! Part 1

**Job 2:11-31:40 (NIV)**

**So Far:**

**First:** Satan was dead wrong about Job and about the human race.

**Second:** The Central question:

Could a human being hold on to God, faith and love,  
when it does not seem to pay off?

**Third:** Job did not know, that his faithfulness had meaning  
beyond his wildest dreams.

**FRIENDS: WHAT THEY DID THAT WAS WISE!**

**JOB 2: 11-13**

**Notes:**

**FRIENDS: WHAT THEY DID THAT WAS WISE!  
21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY POINTS OF CONTACT:**

\*Consider Job's greatest wealth.

\*Understand: The primary instrument God uses to heal people is  
the presence of another person.

**Romans 12: 15 (NIV)**

\*When someone is hurting or suffering, avoid the temptation  
to fix something.

***FINAL CONSIDERATION FROM THE FIRST RESPONDERS***

\* Do I have friends who would "just sit" with me?

\* In whose life have I "just shared their grief"?

**2 Corinthians 1:3-4**

**THE LAKEWOOD CHALLENGE:**