

SERMON NOTES FOR SUNDAY – MAY 30, 2010
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TITLE: “The Testing of Faith”

TEXT: Psalm 29; Romans 8:28; 2 Corinthians 4:8-9

INTRODUCTION: In many respects, the Christian life is a life of testing. Trials are to be expected, but should never be viewed as punishment. “The Lord sat King at the flood...”

I: NOAH

1. “Upon the waters” (v. 3) ... distant mutterings
2. “The voice of the Lord is powerful” (v. 4) ... a scene of increasing action
3. A scene of peace (v. 9) ... the storm passes away

II: JOB

1. Family and friends forsake him, yet he expresses his confidence in God – Job 13:15
2. God speaks out of the whirlwind – Job 40:4-6 (the storm was on)!
3. His faith response – Job 19:25-26

III: JONAH

1. Many flee from His voice – Jonah 1:3
2. God sent out a great wind – Jonah 1:4
3. God sat King!

IV: ELIJAH

1. People will cry, “Where is the God of Elijah?”
2. Then they cry, “The Lord, He is the God...” – I Kings 18:39
3. The drought ended! – I Kings 18:43-45

V: CHRIST

1. Greatest test of all ... Jesus died!
2. People cried ... “Crucify Him!”, but were crying for mercy at the crucifixion
3. The KING came forth! Faith will be tested! There will always be a resurrection!

CONCLUSION: FAITH IS TESTED ... AND REWARDED ALWAYS!