Job – Part 6 Gene Warr

I. Introduction.

- A. Title: the way of blessing.
- B. Text: Job 42.
- C. There are three great ways of blessing.
- II. Get your heart right with God.
 - A. Men sometimes only see God clearly in trial. (Isaiah 30:20)
 - B. God promises to be with us in adversity.
 - C. Every type of trouble should be seen as a turning point.
 - D. Job saw God as he was.
- III. Get your heart right with people.
 - A. God does not appoint us to be his policemen. (Matthew 7:1)
 - B. God breaks the bonds of his people through forgiveness. (Leviticus 26:13)
 - C. Captivity is the bondage of mind. (Proverbs 18:14)
 - D. God can deliver us from captivity, but when this happens the Devil usually attacks with lies.
 - E. Times God may turn the captivity of people.
 - 1. When the trial reveals to us the special sin.
 - 2. When our proud spirits are broken. (Psalm 51:16-17)
 - 3. When we have learned the lesson of the trial.
 - 4. When God has given us enough trouble to produce a sympathetic spirit.
 - 5. When we pray for our friends.
- IV. Don't give up.
 - A. There is light at the end of the tunnel.
 - B. Get your heart right with God and with men and do not quit.

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- A. Rock-hard convictions from the promises. (Isaiah 8:12-13; Ephesians 6:10-11; Psalm: 2-3; Jeremiah 17:7-8; Ezekiel 30:7)
- B. Principles that are non-negotiable.
- C. Faith from fact and experience. (Jeremiah 39:18; Romans 10:17; 15:4; Acts 27:2, 14; Hebrews 6:19; Acts 27:23; Isaiah 43:2; 2 Corinthians 11:23)
- D. Having been through the fire. (Malachi 3:3)
- E. Being around other men of iron. (Proverbs 13:20; 1 Corinthians 15:33)
- F. Steady perseverance.

Application questions:

. What are some ways you have recently experienced the captivity of the mind?	
2. How has suffering helped to shape you?	
3. What do you need to do to get your heart right with men? Explain.	