

Bible chat w/s 17 10 21

1. Read Job 19: 23 - 24. **Why** does Job want a record to be made? What sort of a record is he after?
2. Does this remind you of any other situations where there have been demands for a proper record of injustice to be made?
3. Read Job 19:25. Handel set this verse to music in the Messiah. It's words are also used in an old Easter hymn. What memories, feelings or thoughts does this verse, or this music, stir in you?
4. Some say that the context here is a courtroom. What might the role of a redeemer be in such a setting? Who might take these various roles in any heavenly trial: prosecutor, defence, defendant and witness?
5. Others might think: "When he expects a Redeemer, Job can only be thinking of Jesus." Discuss.
6. How does Job **know** that a Redeemer must come? Could the Holy Spirit be at work here?
7. David said "Job was not written to support Christian belief, yet we do see some of the seeds of Trinitarian thought here." Discuss where you might see God the Son and God the Holy Spirit in Job's declaration of verse 25. But where is God the Father?
8. Reflect on your understanding of the mystery of Christ's death on the cross. Who is our Redeemer? Does the Redeemer work to mitigate God's wrath or to express God's love? Do you have any thoughts on **how** the cross does this?