

# THE SUFFICIENCY OF CHRIST PART 4:

# THE SUFFICIENCY OF CHRIST'S POWER

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# MALAYSIA AIRLINES 370



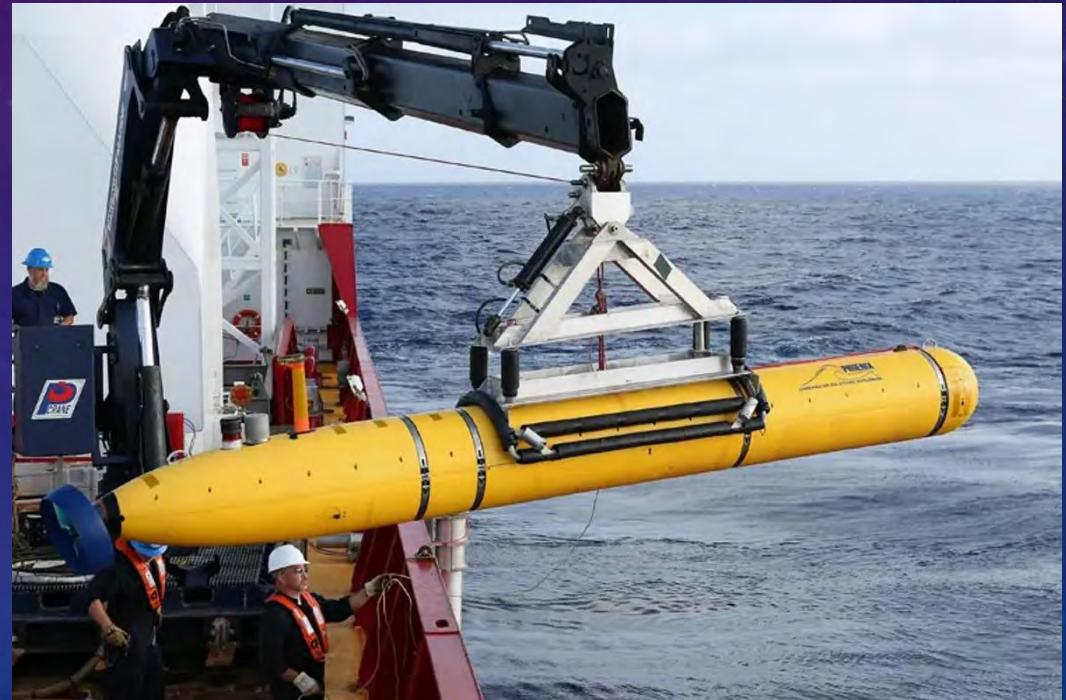
# MH370's flight path before it vanished







<https://www.nbcnews.com/storyline/missing-jet/report-suggests-malaysian-airlines-mh370-out-control-when-it-vanished-n676636>



[https://www.salon.com/2014/04/17/malaysia\\_airlines\\_flight\\_mh370\\_update\\_underwater\\_drone\\_finally\\_completes\\_full\\_scan\\_of\\_seafloor/](https://www.salon.com/2014/04/17/malaysia_airlines_flight_mh370_update_underwater_drone_finally_completes_full_scan_of_seafloor/)



40,000+ killed as  
of 2/14/2023

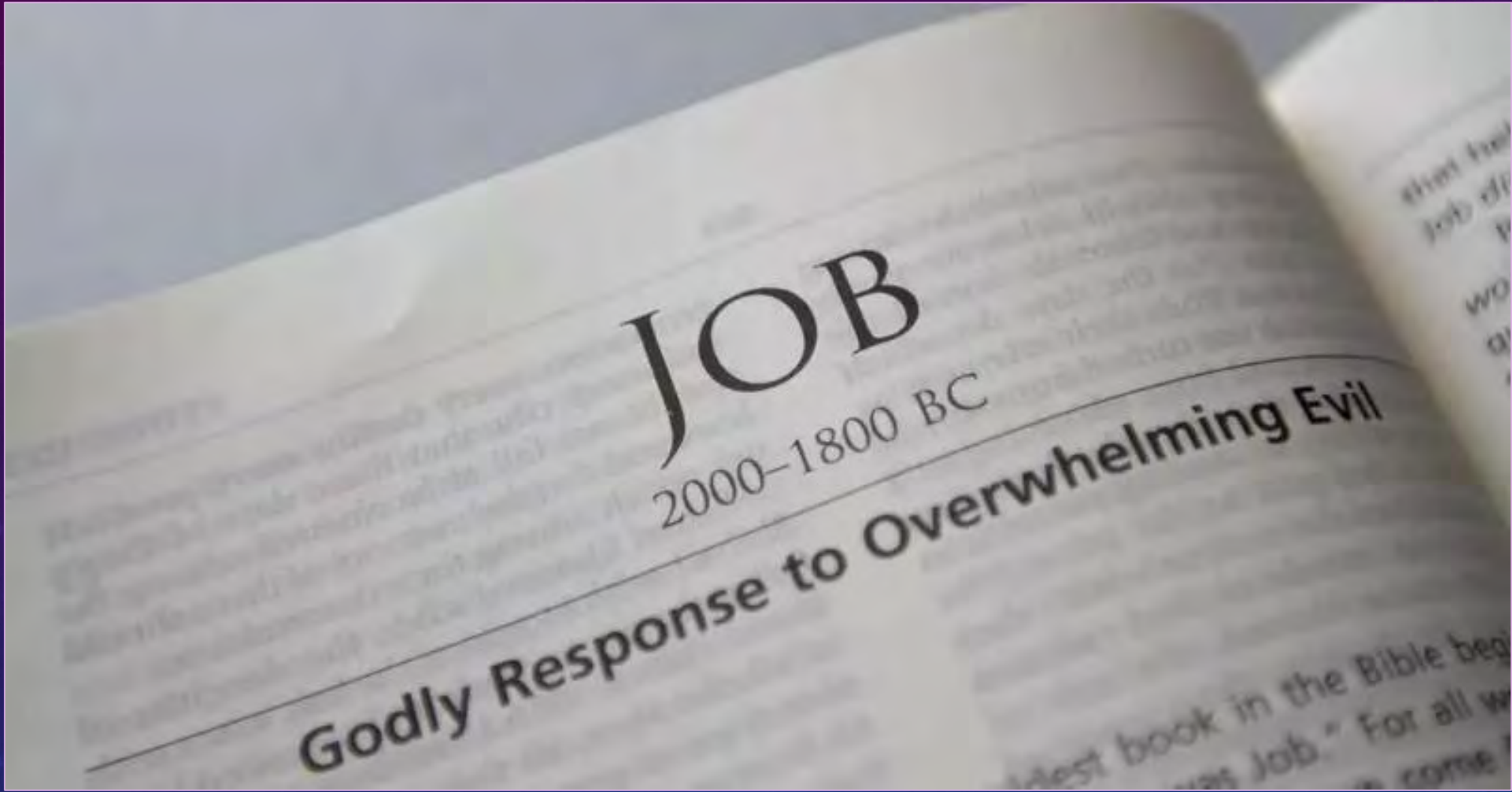
# FEBRUARY 2023 TURKEY EARTHQUAKE



<https://www.theguardian.com/world/live/2023/feb/07/turkey-earthquake-syria-in-turkiye-2023-live-updates-latest-news-map-magnitude-7-8-scale-quake-tremor-death-toll-gaziantep-kahramanmaras>







# THREE “E’S”

- Empathy
- Explanation
- Exhortation

- **Job 23:8-9 (ESV)**

<sup>8</sup> "Behold, I go forward, but **he is not there**, and backward, but **I do not perceive him**;

<sup>9</sup> on the left hand when he is working, **I do not behold him**; he turns to the right hand, **but I do not see him**.

# EMPATHY REDUCED

- Empathy
- **Explanation**
- **Exhortation**

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# Tracks of a Fellow Struggler

Living and Growing through Grief



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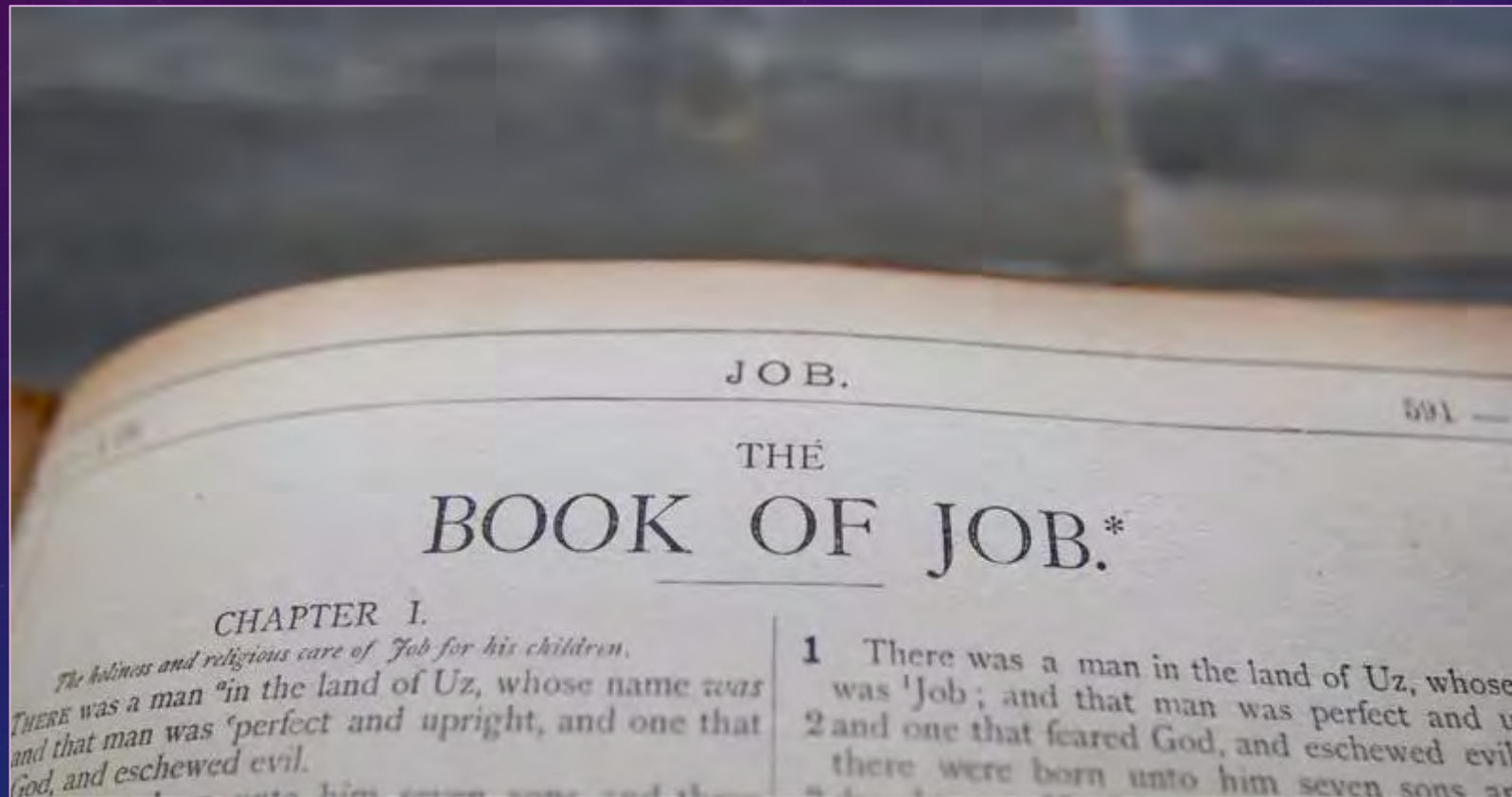


Nicholas Wolterstorff

- **Ecclesiastes 9:11 (ESV)**

<sup>11</sup> Again I saw that under the sun the race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong, nor bread to the wise, nor riches to the intelligent, nor favor to those with knowledge, but **time and chance happen to them all.**

# THEOLOGY OR EMOTION?





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- **James 5:11 (ESV)**

<sup>11</sup> Behold, we consider those blessed who remained steadfast. You have heard of the **steadfastness\*** of Job, and **you have seen the purpose of the Lord**, how the Lord is compassionate and merciful.

- **\*Patient endurance** in suffering – See Rev 14:12, “here is the patient endurance of the saints”



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# GOD DWELLING IN DARKNESS

- **Exodus 20:21 (ESV)**

<sup>21</sup> The people stood far off, while Moses drew near to **the thick darkness where God was.**

# GOD DWELLING IN DARKNESS

- **Deuteronomy 5:22 (ESV)**

<sup>22</sup> "These words the Lord spoke to all your assembly at the mountain out of the **midst of the fire, the cloud, and the thick darkness**, with a loud voice; and he added no more. And he wrote them on two tablets of stone and gave them to me.

# GOD DWELLING IN DARKNESS

- **1 Kings 8:12 (ESV) [also 2 Chr. 6:1]**

<sup>12</sup> Then Solomon said, "The Lord has said that he would  **dwell in thick darkness.**

# GOD DWELLING IN DARKNESS

- **2 Samuel 22:10-12 (ESV)**

<sup>10</sup> He bowed the heavens and came down; **thick darkness was under his feet.**

<sup>11</sup> He rode on a cherub and flew; he was seen on the wings of the wind.

<sup>12</sup> He made **darkness around him his canopy**, thick clouds, a gathering of water.

# GOD DWELLING IN DARKNESS

- **Psalm 18:9-11 (ESV)**

<sup>9</sup> He bowed the heavens and came down; **thick darkness was under his feet.**

<sup>10</sup> He rode on a cherub and flew; he came swiftly on the wings of the wind.

<sup>11</sup> He made **darkness his covering**, his canopy around him, thick clouds dark with water.

- Note this is Psalm version of 2 Sam 22 in previous slide

# GOD DWELLING IN DARKNESS

- **Psalm 97:1-4 (ESV)**

<sup>1</sup> The Lord reigns, let the earth rejoice; let the many coastlands be glad!

<sup>2</sup> Clouds and **thick darkness are all around him**; righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.

<sup>3</sup> **Fire** goes before him and burns up his adversaries all around.

<sup>4</sup> His **lightnings light up the world**; the earth sees and trembles.



# GOD DWELLING IN DARKNESS

- Supplemental texts
  - Deut 4:11-12 – clouds/dark with fire