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Tijuana Missions  
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974 Dewsenberry Road, Bronson  
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Contact: [Mary Ellen Turner](#)  
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389 Bawden Road, Bronson  
Contact: [Pastor Jim](#)  
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- I. Read [Job 1:6-12](#). Who exactly is Satan? Where did he come from and what does he do? Notice, he challenges God concerning Job. What's the bet he wagers with God? What do you think, do some Christians serve God simply because of his blessings? Why else might someone serve God? Why do you personally serve him? (Think carefully before you answer.) Next, read [Job 1:20-22](#). In one day, disaster struck and Job lost everything -- his family, his possessions and his business. How does he respond? Why worship? What does his response tell us about Job's faith in God? Would you respond likewise? Explain.
- II. Read [Job 2:1-8](#). Satan now bets God that Job loves his own life more than he loves God. Is this common for people -- to put their own lives ahead of God? According to [verses 9-10](#), how does Job respond to the test? Are you surprised? He maintains his integrity. What exactly is integrity and how is it developed? How is it lost?
- III. With God's permission, Satan attacks Job. Does the devil still do things like this today? When does he need God's permission? When wouldn't he need it? Take time to read the following verses. ([Genesis 3:1-5](#), [John 10:10](#), [2 Corinthians 2:10-11](#), [4:4](#), [11:3](#), [1 Timothy 4:1](#)). What does each verse teach about how Satan operates. Now discuss each of these verses as they explain how we are to counter the work of the devil against us. ([Ephesians 4:25-28](#); [5:3-11](#); [Galatians 5:13,16,26](#); [1 Peter 5:8-9](#); [Revelations 12:11](#); [Ephesians 6:10-13](#))

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