

# Job

## Ten cool verses

### Verse 9

#### Job 38:4

*“Where were you when I laid the earth’s foundation? Tell me, if you understand.”*

What a famous and great statement. In Christian circles, most people can quote this verse. The word on the street is that God is love. Actually, God is only love, forgiveness, and compassion. He is all those things. God is also frustrated, annoyed, and vengeful. He says he hates certain things. He would destroy if he had to. Yes, God is all those things too. Here in the book of Job, God has listened. The arguments as to why Job had trouble were tabled before him. Then God spoke.

I have told my parents that I am my own master. Boy, did that go well. Whose house, whose bills, and whose money pays the mortgage? I was humbled when I thought about it. Years later one of my kids said that he too was his own master, not God. Ok, Job go for it. There is a story of a scientist discovering how to make life. He boldly said he was as smart as God. Then God came in and told the scientist to use his own dirt. What is God’s?

Job was wondering why? His friends were wondering why? Then God spoke. He asked them all if they were there in the planning stages of this world. He asked if they knew the reasons for tides, oceans, and birds? Upon God’s questions fell no answers. Why? Because God said we were not there in the beginning. We don’t know exactly how it happened. God also said he was. We theorize that the Big Bang makes sense. We predict that were millions of years old. Yet, we didn’t do it or plan it. Many books boldly say they know. Yet, in the essence of time we know very little.

We believe Trump is an idiot. Were we there? Do we know him personally? We believe there is no God, yet we believe in life in other worlds. In both instances we know and see nothing. Yet, we believe. Two people get divorced. A child grows up and writes a best-selling divorce help book. Did we know that years before? Could we see that outcome while living in divorce pain? There is a ton we just don't know or see coming.

I love God saying "tell me if you understand." Can we explain why? Sometimes we can and sometimes we can't. I have two people I know that got a divorce in the first few months of marriage. All the planning and wedding effort gone within months. Who knew? We agreed to love them and marry them because we believed. Months later were not so sure. Tell me what you're so sure about?

Finally, Job thought he was a good man. God thought so too. His friends looked at the situation and were not so sure. We think that when bad things happen were being punished. God burst forth in this book to say No! I have plans, ways, and reasons. They are for your good. They are for the good of others. It's not always about us you know. Sometimes the reason is just beyond us like the creating of this world.