

JOB'S
FAITH
TESTED
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1 PETER 1:5-7

- 1 Peter 1:5-7 (NKJV)

who are kept by the power of God through faith for salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials,

that the genuineness of your faith, *being* much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ,

TEST #1
PROSPERITY
(JOB 1:1-5)

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He was rich in things, children and someone to take care of them

TEST #1 – PASSED

Job 1:1 (NKJV)

There was a man in the land of Uz, whose name was **Job**; and that man was **blameless and upright**, and one who feared **God** and **shunned evil**.

TEST #2
POVERTY
(JOB 1:8-12)

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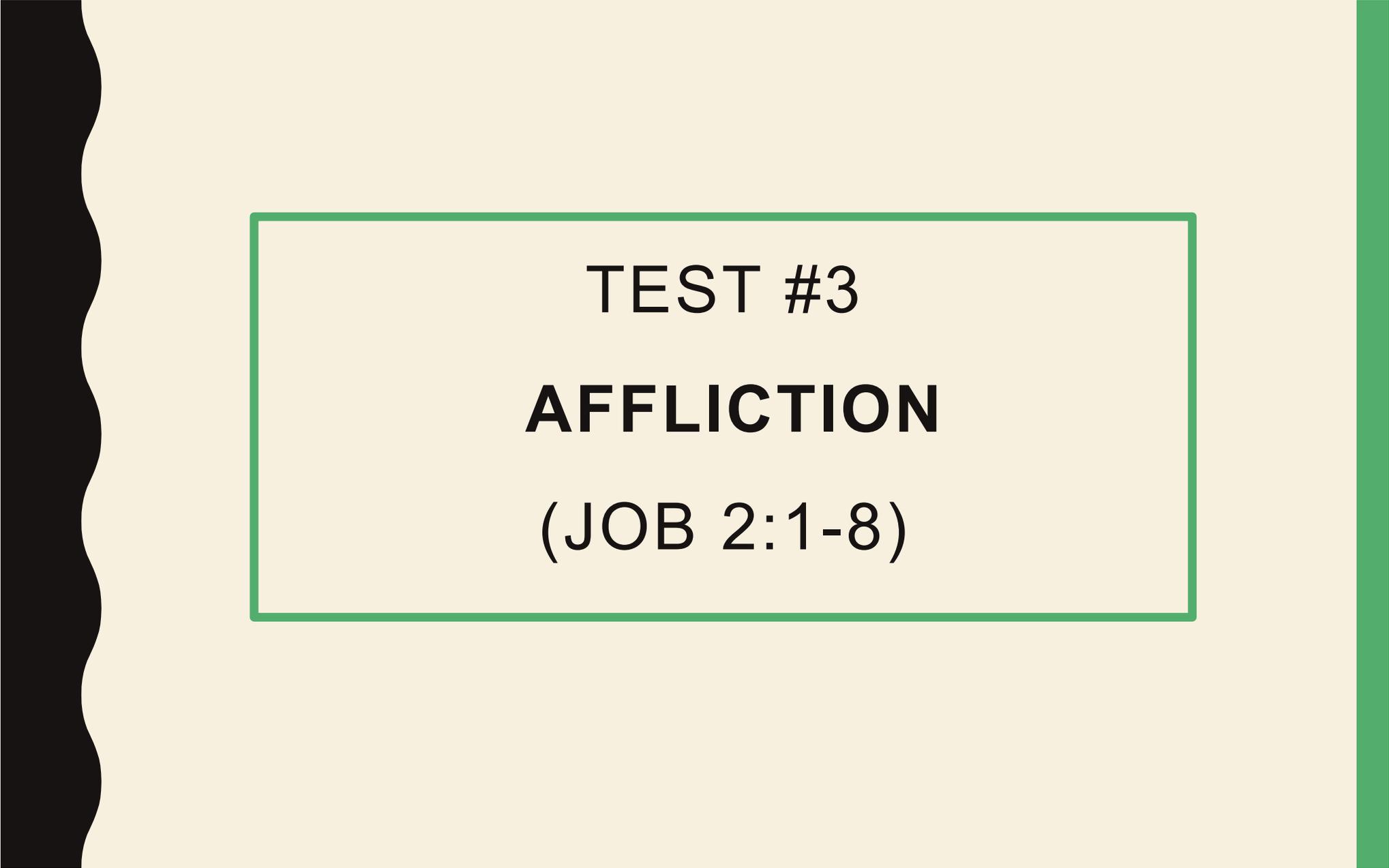
- Satan took away almost everything that Job possessed (1:15-17, 19)
 - Lost his wealth
 - Lost his children
 - Lost his servants

TEST #2 PASSED

- **Job 1:20-21 (NKJV)**

–²⁰ Then Job arose, tore his robe, and shaved his head; and he fell to the ground and **worshiped.**

–²¹ And he said: "**Naked I came from my mother's womb, And naked shall I return there. The LORD gave, and the LORD has taken away; Blessed be the name of the LORD.**"



TEST #3
AFFLICTION
(JOB 2:1-8)

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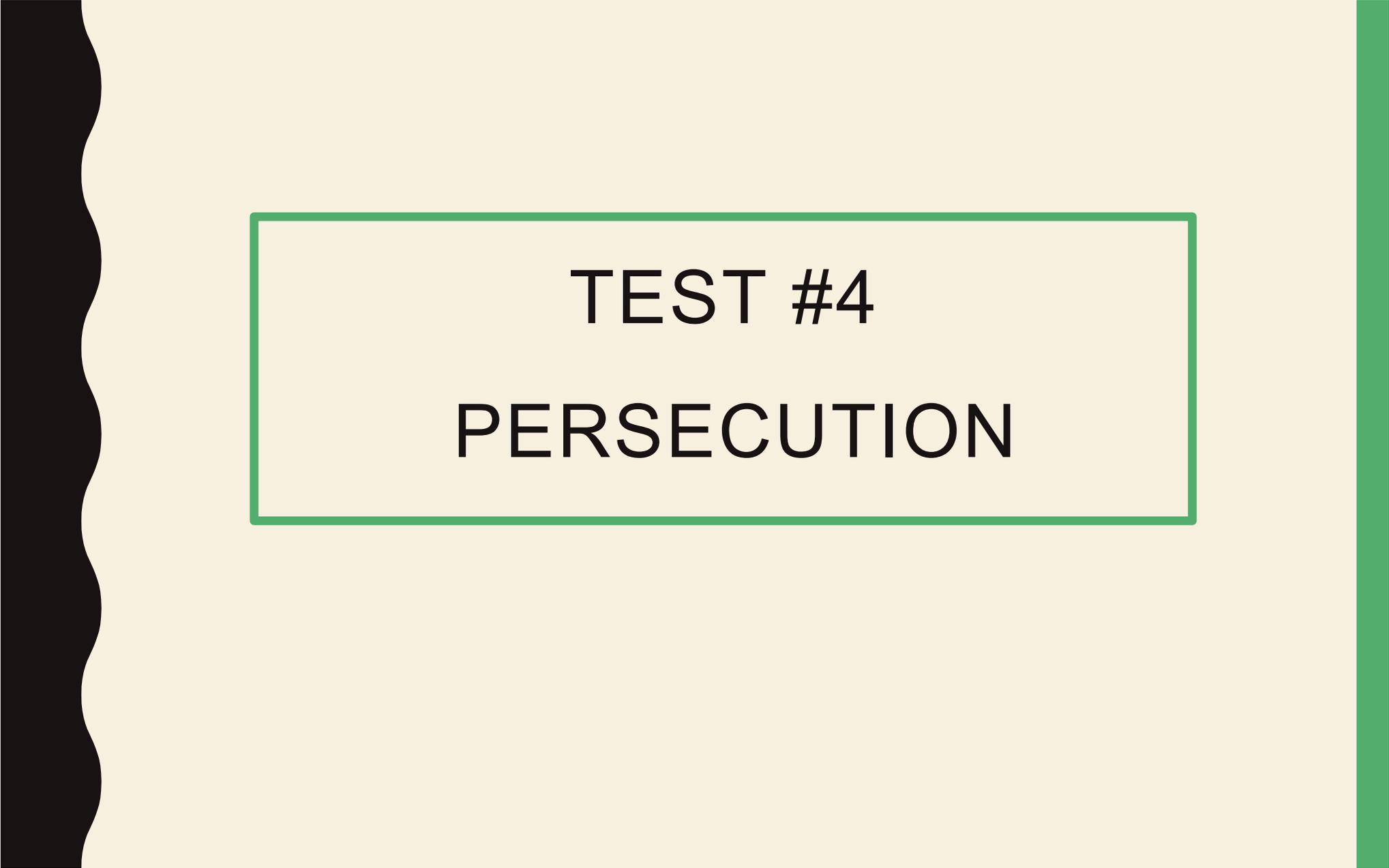
Satan smote Job “with sore boils from the sole of his foot unto his crown” (Job 2:7)

TEST #3 – HOW DID HE DO? PASSED

- **Job 2:10 (NKJV)**

- 10 But he said to her, “You speak as one of the foolish women speaks.

- Shall we indeed accept good from God, and shall we not accept adversity?”** In all this Job did not sin with his lips.



TEST #4
PERSECUTION

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- His **wife** encouraged him to “curse God and die” (Job. 2:9)

TEST #4 - PERSECUTION

- **His friends:**

- **Eliphaz**, explained that no man ever perished being innocent. Men reap as they have sown (Job 4:7-8)

TEST #4 - PERSECUTION

- **His friends:**

- **Bildad**, explained that God doesn't pervert justice. He declared that Job's children were sinners and God had "cast them away for their transgression" (Job 8:3-4)

TEST #4 - PERSECUTION

- **His friends:**

- **Zophar**, a third friend, informed Job that God had actually taken of him less than his iniquity deserved (Job 11:3-6)

A GOOD FRIEND IS:

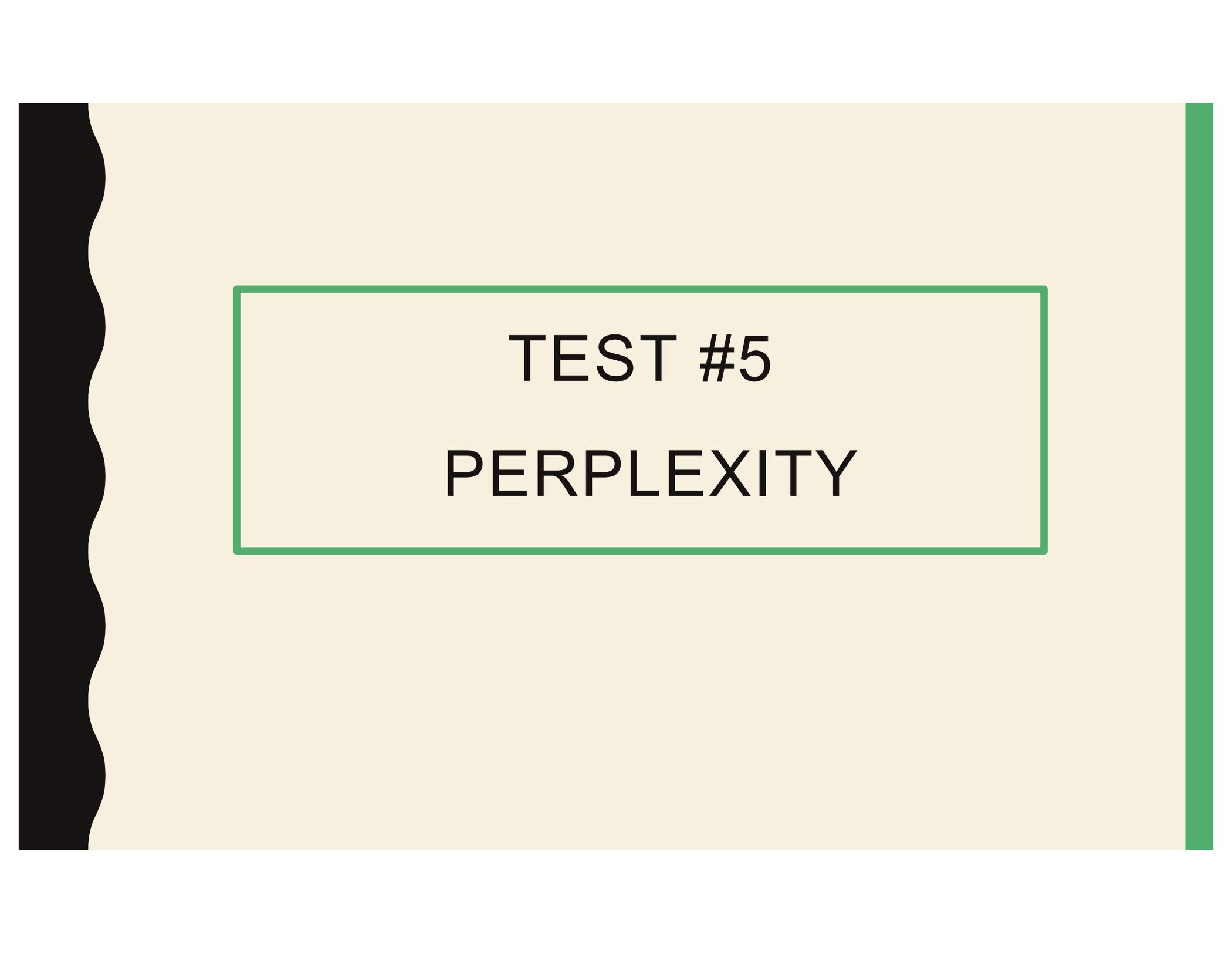
- Someone who will NEVER encourage you to do wrong
- Someone who will support you no matter what goes wrong
- Someone you can trust and who won't condemn you before the facts are known

A GOOD FRIEND IS:

- Someone who is trustworthy and willing to tell you the truth
- Someone who is there to listen
- Someone who will cry when you cry and laugh when you laugh

TEST #4 – HOW DID HE DO? PASSED

He withstood their unjust criticism!



TEST #5
PERPLEXITY

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Job did not know why these things were happening to him

TEST #5 – HOW DID HE DO? PASSED

- **Job 13:15 (NKJV)**

- 15 **Though He slay me, yet will I trust Him. Even so, I will defend my own ways before Him.**

HE IS PERPLEXED

- Thinks God is punishing him (6:4)
- Thinks God is allowing the wicked to prosper while he suffers (21:7-16)

GOD QUESTIONS HIM

- Job 38:4–7 (NKJV)

- ⁴“Where were you when I laid the foundations of the earth? Tell Me, if you have understanding.

- ⁵Who determined its measurements? Surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it?

- ⁶To what were its foundations fastened? Or who laid its cornerstone,

- ⁷When the morning stars sang together, And all the sons of God shouted for joy?

JOB RESPONDS (42:1-6)

- Then Job answered the LORD and said:
 - "I know that You can do everything, And that no purpose *of Yours* can be withheld from You.
 - *You asked, 'Who is this who hides counsel without knowledge?'* Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand, Things too wonderful for me, which I did not know.

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- Then Job answered the LORD and said:
 - Listen, please, and let me speak; *You said*, 'I will question you, and you shall answer Me.'
 - "I have heard of You by the hearing of the ear, But now my eye sees You.
 - Therefore I abhor *myself*, And repent in dust and ashes."

TEST #6

POWER

TEST #6 - POWER

- The final test Job faced was power
 - Job was **vindicated**
 - His accusers were now in great need of **forgiveness**
 - What would Job do?
 - What would you do?

TEST #6 - POWER

- When we are sinned against (Mt. 18:15-17)
 - Go to them
 - If not corrected, take someone with you
 - Still if not corrected, tell it to the church

6 - TEST #6 - POWER

- What should we do when the one who committed the wrong won't correct it?

–Romans 12:17–21 (NKJV)

- **17** Repay no one evil for evil. Have regard for good things in the sight of all men.
- **18** If it is possible, as much as depends on you, live peaceably with all men.

6 - TEST #6 - POWER

- What should we do when the one who committed the wrong won't correct it?

–Romans 12:17–21 (NKJV)

- **19** Beloved, do not avenge yourselves, but rather give place to wrath; for it is written, “Vengeance is Mine, I will repay,” says the Lord.
- **20** Therefore “If your enemy is hungry, feed him; If he is thirsty, give him a drink; For in so doing you will heap coals of fire on his head.”
- **21** Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

WHAT DID JOB DO? HE PRAYED!

- **Job 42:10 (NKJV)**

- 10 And the Lord restored Job's losses when **he prayed for his friends**. Indeed the Lord gave Job twice as much as he had before.

CONCLUSION

God Bless Job (Job 42:11-17)