

January 5 Answers

- 1) Eliphaz said several things to Job that are true: those who “plow iniquity and sow trouble **reap** the same” (Job 4:8), God does bring **disaster** upon the wicked (Job 4:9), God does “catch the **wise** in their craftiness” (Job 5:13), we should be grateful when God **reproves** us, and we should not despise God’s discipline (Job 5:17). However, Eliphaz also said some things that are false. He said the innocent never **perish** (Job 4:7), but sometimes they do (Gen 4:8). He said that a man cannot be **pure** before God (Job 4:17), but Job was (Job 1:8). He said the wicked never **flourish** (Job 5:1–7), but they often do (Ps 73:4–9). He said the righteous will be saved from all **trouble** (Job 5:19–27), but sometimes they aren’t (1 Kgs 21:13). This shows us how important it is to **sift** what others say and discern whether or not their words are true.