

## January 16 Answers

- 1) God began by asking Job about the creation of the **earth** and the **weather**. God concluded by asking him about the **animals**, with special attention given to the **Behemoth**, the fiercest land animal, and the **Leviathan**, the most terrifying sea creature. God's questions were not meant to belittle or demean Job. Rather, they were designed to help him **focus** on several key truths: 1) God is the **Creator**; we are the created, 2) God was there in the **beginning**; we were not, 3) God is all-**knowing** and all-**powerful**; we are powerless and ignorant before Him. The proper response to these truths is **humility**, reverence and awe, and that's exactly how Job reacted (Job 42:1–6). God gave Job a precious **gift**: a personal, intimate **experience** of His majestic presence. Being in God's presence was more than enough for Job: "I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear, but now my eye **sees** you" (Job 42:5). After God questioned Job, He restored his fortune, and his end was more **blessed** than his beginning. "And Job died, an old man, and full of days" (Job 42:17).