

LIVING FAITH – The Book of JAMES Part 1

Tests & Trials, Triumph or Turmoil?

James 1:2 → *Consider it _____, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds*

- * This is a _____ issue, because we live in a _____ world (Rom 1:18-32).
- * We also need to recognise that this run far _____ than simply what we see on the _____ (Eph 6:12).

POINT 1 = Tests are _____ (John 16:33)

POINT 2 = Tests are _____ (James 1:2)

- a) _____
- b) _____ (v13-15)
- c) _____
- d) _____
- e) _____
- f) _____
- g) _____

Simple Theology: _____ (v13,16)

POINT 3 = Right in the middle of your _____ is where God does His _____

Rom 8:28 → *We know that _____ God works for the _____ of those who love him ...*

- * We've been programmed to think of 'good' in terms of an _____, _____ life, but God has _____ objectives (Matt 5:3-12, Gal 5:22-23).

TESTS & TRIALS ARE WHERE:

1. _____ is _____ (James 1:3-4)

- a) To _____ your faith (v3)
- b) To _____ your faith (1 Pet 1:6-7)
- c) To _____ your faith

2. _____ is _____ (James 1:5)

- * We tend to respond to challenges by _____
- * That's great if it works, but if it doesn't, it can be very hard to break the _____.
- * Tests _____ you to _____ to _____.

3. _____ is _____ (Rom 5:3-4)

- * Trials can lead to _____ or _____
... _____ or _____ ... _____ or _____.
- * God is ever working in our lives & the objectives are _____

- * Character _____; it doesn't come _____ or _____.
It isn't _____ & is always being _____.
- * _____ situations expose our _____, so we're left with no alternative but _____ into _____.

The ATTITUDE SHIFT

- * _____ comes because _____ is _____.
- * If for God it's all about drawing us _____ relationship, it should be no surprise He uses tests & trials to _____ our _____.
- * Tests & trials are a doorway to the _____ & _____ of God (whatever their origin). Right in the _____ of your trial is where God does His _____.