



LISTENING GUIDE

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Joy in Trials

James 1:2-12

As we continue our study of the Book of James in a sermon series called *Faith Under Pressure*, our attention is drawn to the pain and adversity which can suddenly surround Christians. Let's examine this Scripture passage, then, to better understand what it means to have *joy in trials*.

Notice...

I. The _____ of Trials (v.2)

- See *John 16:33* and *1 Peter 4:12*

II. The _____ to Trials (vv.2-3)

- Christians should *rejoice* in trials! (v.2)
- We *know* that our trials can produce something _____ (v.3)

III. The _____ of Trials (vv.3-12)

- The trials we experience build up our _____ and fill out our _____
- Wisdom is the ability to discern or judge what is true, right, or lasting.

- Two benefits of wisdom gained in the crucible of trials:

1. Trials give us the wisdom to _____ the temporary (vv.9-11)

- See *Matthew 6:19-21*

2. Trials give us the wisdom to _____ the eternal (v.12)

- See *2 Corinthians 4:17-18*