

Strong Words for Tough Times

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- I. God is sovereign over our trials (1:2-12)
 - A. We learn to grow in His likeness
 - B. We learn to trust in His wisdom
 - C. We learn to rely on His resources
 - D. We learn to live for His reward

Pay attention to the progressions:

<u>Trial/Test</u> – <u>Patience</u> – <u>Perfection</u>



- II. We are responsible in our temptations (1:13-15)
 - A. The origin of sin
 - 1. God is perfectly sinless
 - 2. We are utterly sinful



- II. We are responsible in our temptations (1:13-15)
 - B. The anatomy of sin
 - 1. Step one: <u>deception</u>
 - 2. Step two: desire
 - 3. Step three: disobedience
 - 4. Step four: death



- III. God is faithful in our salvation (1:16-18)
 - A. His goodness is unchanging
 - B. His goodness is <u>undeserved</u>
 - C. His goodness is unending
 - 1. He has saved us from our sin
 - 2. He has saved us through our sorrow

