



# Every Day Faith

A STUDY IN JAMES

James 1:1

James, a bond-servant of God and of the Lord  
Jesus Christ, To the twelve tribes who are dispersed  
abroad: Greetings.

## James 1:2-3

Consider it all joy, my brethren, when you encounter various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces endurance.

James 1:4

And let endurance have its perfect result, so that  
you may be perfect and complete, lacking in  
nothing.

## James 1:5

But if any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God,  
who gives to all generously and without reproach,  
and it will be given to him.

## James 1:6

But he must ask in faith without any doubting, for the one who doubts is like the surf of the sea, driven and tossed by the wind.

## James 1:7-8

For that man ought not to expect that he will receive anything from the Lord, being a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.

1. Trials are going to happen



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## 1 Peter 4:12

Dear friends, do not be surprised at the painful trial you are suffering, as though something strange were happening to you.

"The worst thing that can happen to us is  
for our path to be made to smooth"  
Spurgeon

## 2. Trials call for a change in perspective

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**3. Trials are part of our transformation**

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Testing is the process to determine the authenticity  
of something



**Trials expose the authenticity of our faith**

## 1 Peter 1:6

In this you **greatly rejoice**, even though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been distressed by **various trials**,

## 1 Peter 1:7

so that **the proof of your faith**, being more precious than gold which is perishable, even though **tested by fire**, may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ;

A faith that is never tested is a  
faith that can't be trusted

**Trials demonstrate whether our faith is real**

**Trials produce perseverance**

perseverance: hupo mene  
To remain under  
"Staying power"

## Rom 5:3-4

And not only this, but we also exult in our tribulations, knowing that tribulation brings about **perseverance**; and perseverance, proven character; and proven character, hope;



## 4. Trust the process

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