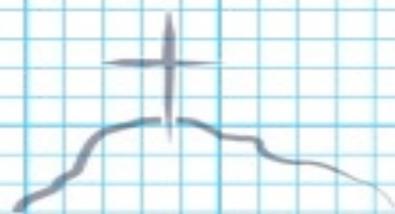


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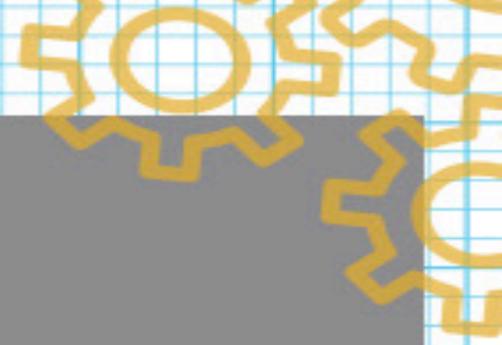
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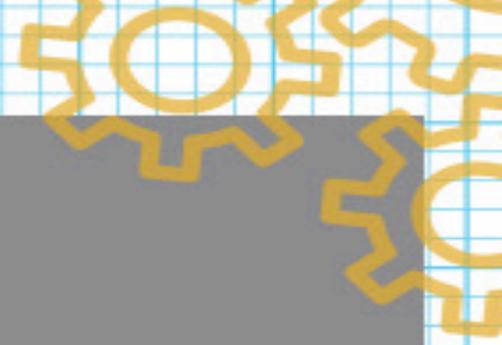


James
Faith Tested by Life
Faith Tested by Trials

James 1:1-4

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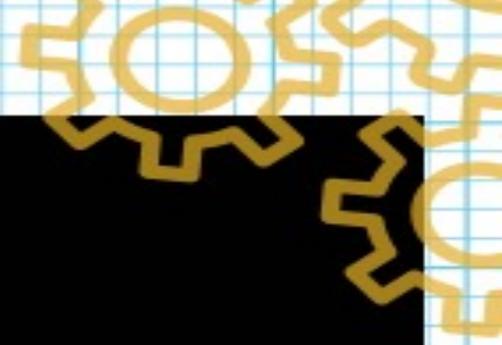


“If we cannot believe God when circumstances seem be against us, we do not believe Him at all.”

C.H. Spurgeon

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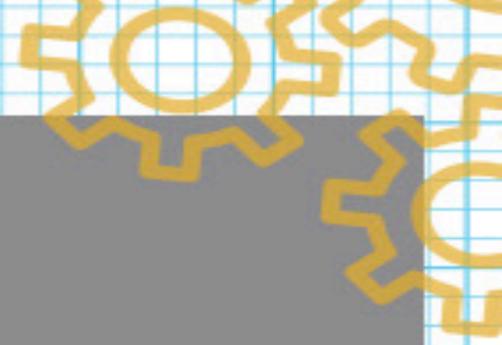


KEY VERSE

Even so faith, if it has no works, is dead,
being by itself. James 2:17

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Truth is an active, organic, godly lifestyle

Truth – linked to Sermon on the Mount

Active – ‘without works is useless’

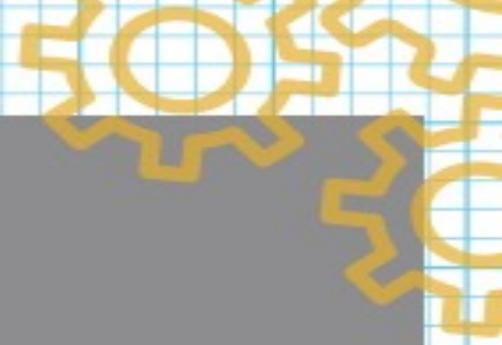
Organic – ‘nothing wavering’

Godly – ‘anything from the Lord’

Lifestyle – ‘doers of the Word’

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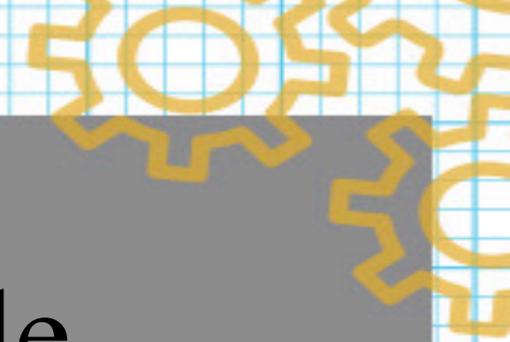
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“The difference between a Christian and a Disciple is disobedience!”

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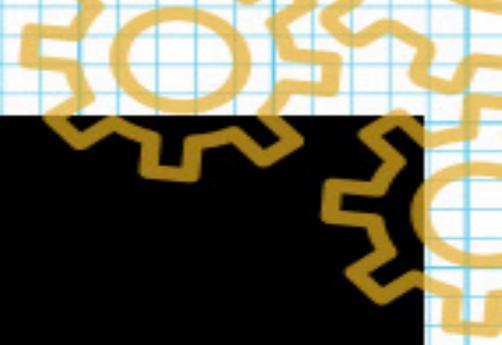


“Faith is a living and unshakable confidence. A belief in God so assured that a man would die a thousand deaths for its sake.”

Martin Luther

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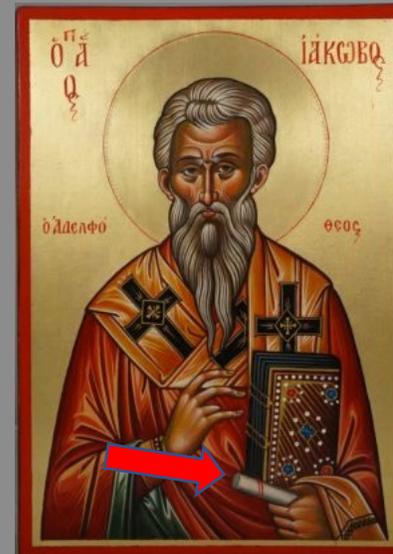
James 1:1

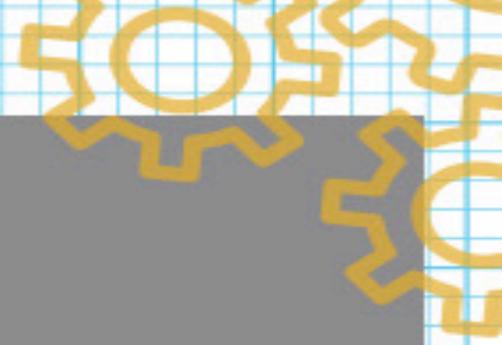
James, a bond-servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, To the twelve tribes who are dispersed abroad: Greetings.

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James and Jews Introduced 1

- Which James?
 - Son of Zebedee (Acts 12:1-2)
 - The ‘Lesser’ (Acts 1)
 - Brother of Jesus (Acts 12, 15, 21)
- James of the Gospels
 - (Matt 13; Mark 6)
- James of Acts 15 & Galatians 1
 - James after James killed – Acts 12:17



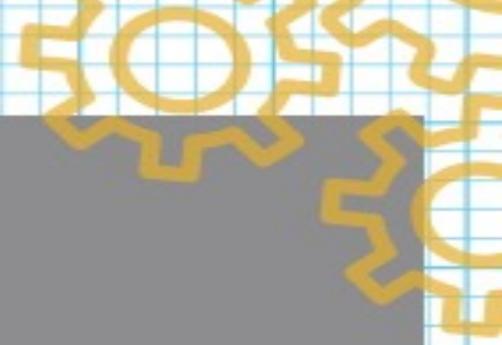


5 References to the Sermon on the Mount

JAMES	MATTHEW
2:5	5:3
3:10-12	7:15-20
3:18	5:9
5:2-3	6:19-20
5:12	5:33-37

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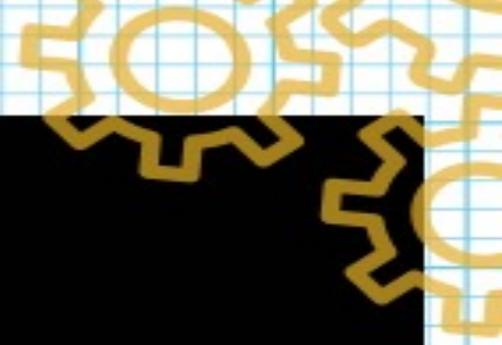


“Faith expects from God what
is beyond all expectation.”

Andrew Murray

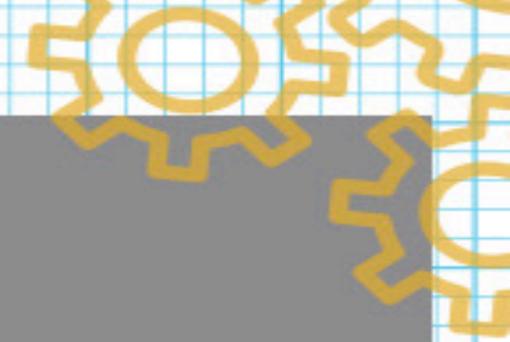
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James 1:2

Consider it all joy, my brethren,
when you encounter various trials,

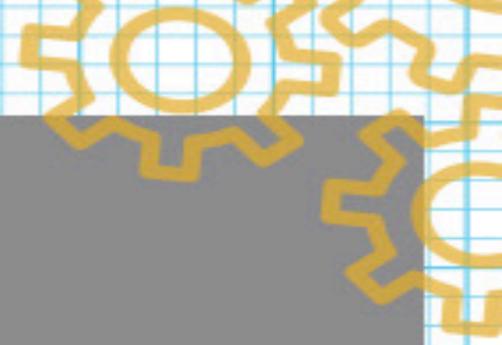


Trials and Joy 2

- ‘consider’ – go this way
- Counterintuitive!
- ‘joy’ in ‘trials’
- ‘encounter’ – falling around or falling into

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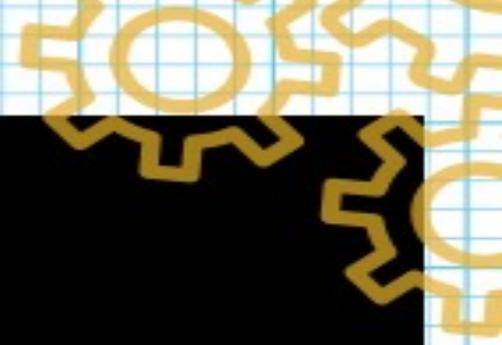


"A faith that hasn't been tested can't be trusted."

Adrian Rogers

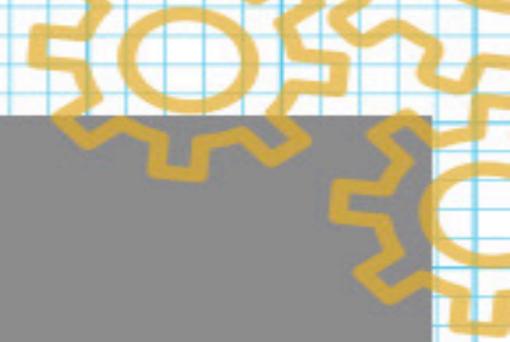
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James 1:3

knowing that the testing of your faith
produces endurance.

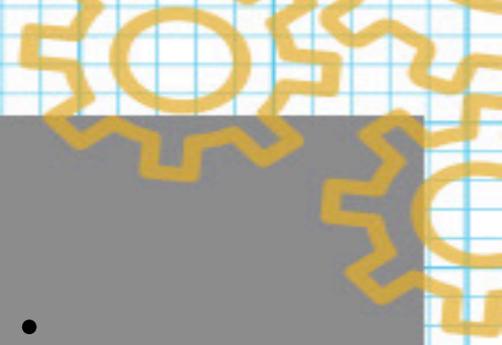


Trials and Truth 3

- Trust
 - ‘knowing’ – God will guide & guard
 - “the means by which a man is tested and proved”
- Tough
 - ‘endurance’ – *hypomonē or makrothymia*
 - Truth can survive the fires of testing!

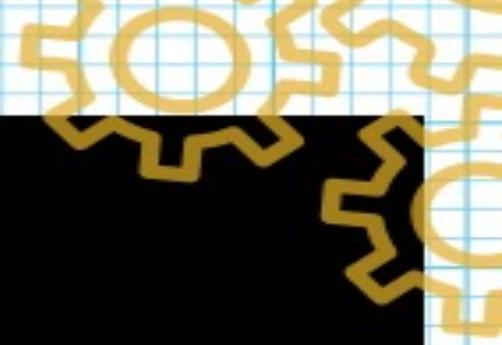
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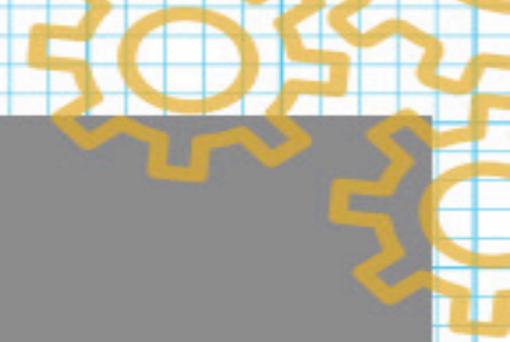
“Faith never knows where it is being led, but it loves and knows the One who is leading.”

Oswald Chambers



James 1:4

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

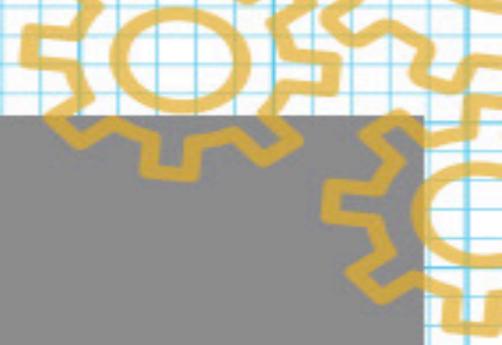


Trials and Maturity 4

- ‘endurance’ – abiding under
- Completed work – being a disciple of Jesus
- WALK – TALK – FEED – SERVE – REPRODUCE
- ‘perfect’ – mature
- ‘complete’ - whole

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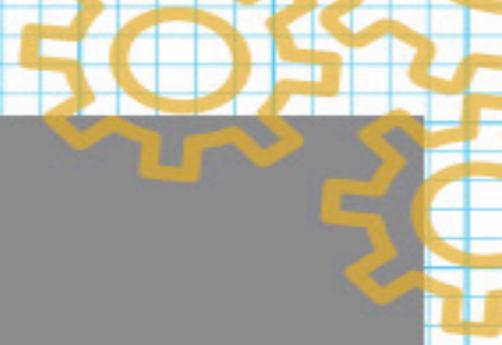
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“The Great Commission is not the
Great Suggestion!”

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“Anyone who says they are a disciple but not making disciples is deceiving themselves or deceiving me.”

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