

How to Develop Staying Power

James 1:2-4

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#1 -- Have The Right Attitude

- **James 1:2 (NIV) — 2** Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds,
- **We Are Not Victims -- We Are Victors!**
- **Every Test Passed = Brings Us To A Greater Degree Of Spiritual Maturity**
- **As Long As I Am Going Through It,
I Might As Well Grow Through It**

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#2 – Take the Test and Pass It

- (James 1:3 NIV) because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance.
- **To Be Tested Of God Is To Be Tried By God**
- ***The Aim Of Testing Is Not To Destroy Or Afflict But To Purge And Refine***
- God's Wants Us To Pass The Test And Move On

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God Always Tests Our Faith So That It Can Be Increased

- God Tests Us To Bring Out Our Best
- Through Testing Our Current Status Is Proven
- The Purpose Of **God's Testing Is Not To Take Us Down -- But To Build Us Up**

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#3 – *Push Through to the Finish!*

- (James 1:4 NIV) Perseverance must finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.
- **We Let Patience Have Its Work That We Might Be Mature**
- **Mature = Perfect, Finished, Complete**
- ***Perfected All Over = A Finished Product***

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Staying Power Leads to Maturity

- As Mature Believers We Have Everything We Need To Move On The Next Level
- **We Don't Run From The Test -- We Run To The Test**
- Affliction TODAY can prepare ordinary Christians for AN extraordinary FUTURE.
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- **Lord Give Us A Right Attitude**
- **Lord Help Us To Take The Test & Pass It**
- **Lord Give Us The Right Actions & A Surrendered Will**