
Instructions for Dark Places

3-Part Series

Victory in the Dark Place (Pt 1)

James 1:1-4

VICTORY

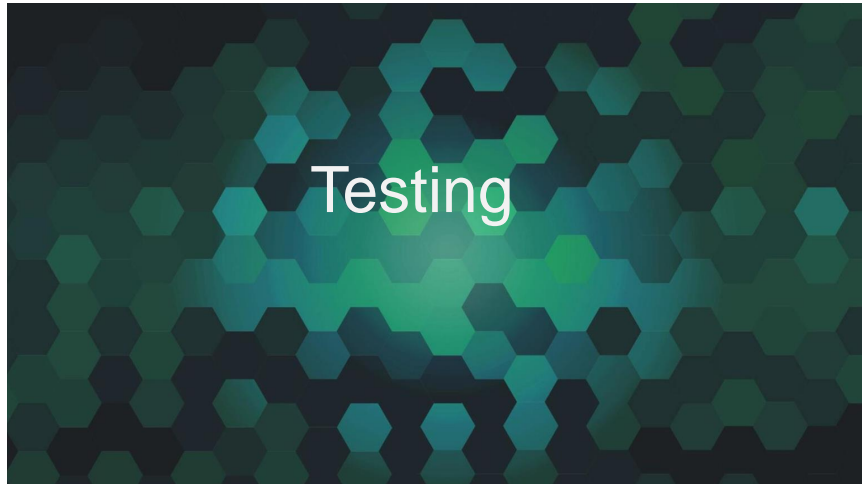
- Choose JOY
 - Develop ENDURANCE
 - Anticipate MATURITY
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Wisdom for the
Dark Place (Pt 2)

James 1:5-12

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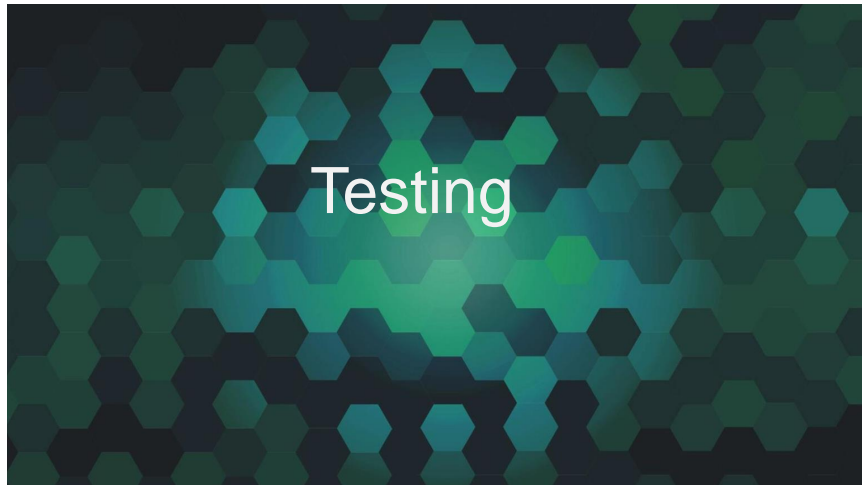
- Pray for *Wisdom*



James 1:5

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

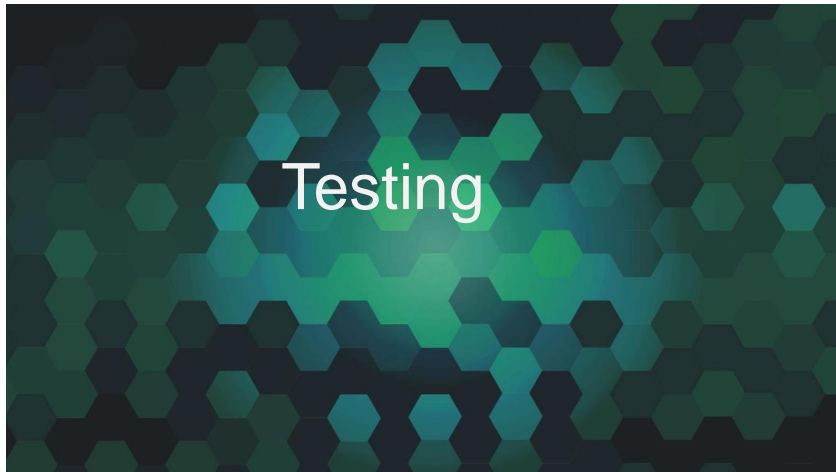
- Pray for *Wisdom*



Proverbs 3

- 5 Trust in the LORD with all your heart,
And lean not on your own
understanding;
 - 6 In all your ways acknowledge Him,
And He shall direct your paths.
 - 7 Do not be wise in your own eyes;
Fear the LORD and depart from evil.
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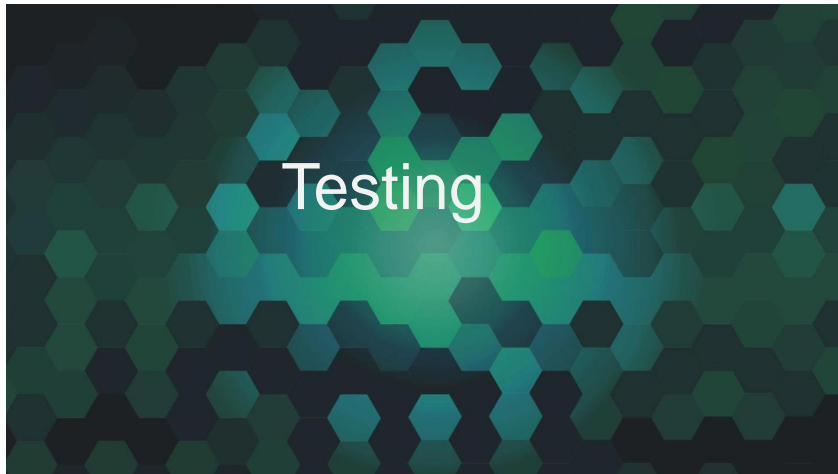
- Pray with a *Steadfast Heart*



James 1

- 6 But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind.
 - 7 For let not that man suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord;
 - 8 he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.
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- Pray with a
Steadfast Heart

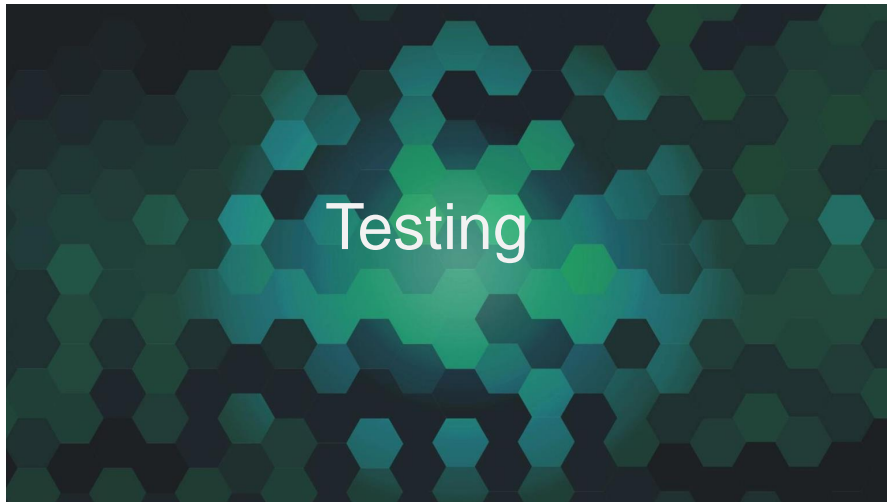


Hebrews 11:6

But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

Illustration

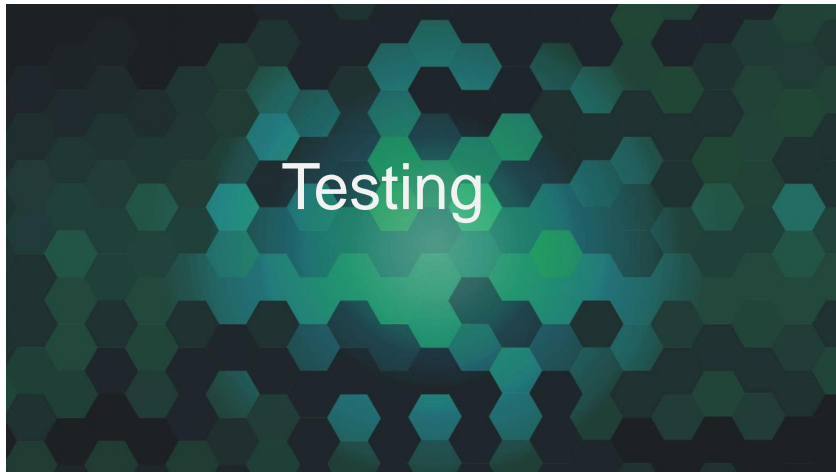
- The exalted
- The humbled



James 1

- 9 Let the lowly brother glory in his exaltation,
- 10 but the rich in his humiliation, because as a flower of the field he will pass away.
- 11 For no sooner has the sun risen with a burning heat than it withers the grass; its flower falls, and its beautiful appearance perishes. So the rich man also will fade away in his pursuits.
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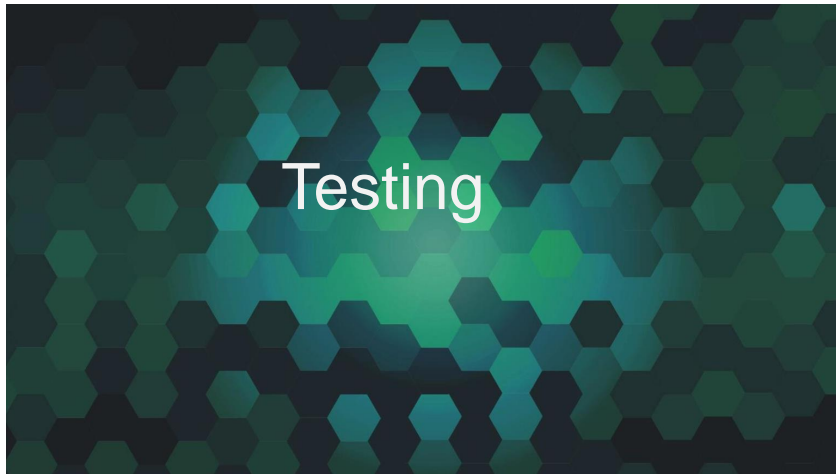
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- Know that Dark Places test your love for the LORD



James 1:12

Blessed is the man who endures temptation; for when he has been approved, he will receive the crown of life which the Lord has promised to those who love Him.

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- Know that Dark Places test your love for the LORD



John 21:17

He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me?" Peter was grieved because He said to him the third time, "Do you love Me?"

And he said to Him, "Lord, You know all things; You know that I love You." Jesus said to him, "Feed My sheep.



Wisdom for the Dark Place

- Pray for Wisdom
 - Pray with a Steadfast Heart
 - Know that Dark Places test your love for the LORD
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Challenge

Ask God for more Wisdom in your present *trial* so that you may have more LOVE for the LORD.



Testing