

James: Faith/Works pt.1

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## The Testing of Your Faith

**James 1:1**

*James, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, to the twelve tribes scattered among the nations: Greetings.*

| Context:  | Content:   |
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| Written around 59 A.D. by James (½ brother of Jesus) the Bishop of the Jerusalem Church. Addressed to the persecuted Christians refugees scattered around Asia Minor. | <b>Wisdom – Ch 1</b><br><b>Works – Ch 2</b><br><b>Words – Ch 3</b><br><b>Walk – Ch 4</b><br><b>Wait – Ch 5</b> |

**James 1:2-3** *Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds ... because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.*

### WHEN IT COMES TO TRIALS:

1. Trials are INEVITABLE, NUMEROUS and DIVERSE

2. RECOGNIZE what's really going on.

☐ James 1:2-3 (NIV)

3. COOPERATE with God's growth process.

☐ James 1:4 (NIV)

4. ASK God for help.

(Prayer time, Bible time church time, surround yourselves with people who will intercede for and with you)

☐ James 1:5 (NIV)

5. Keep a good attitude.

(Stay confident, remain steadfast in your prayers, avoid negative internal and external dialogs)

☐ James 1:6-8 (NIV) ☐ James 1:9-11 (NIV)

6. Stay HUMBLE.

☐ James 1:12 (NIV)

### WHEN IT COMES TO TEMPTATION:

1. Recognize the SOURCE.

☐ James 1:13 (NIV)

