

# Joy in Trial

## Text: James 1:1-12

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### Sermon Outline:

#### Trials Are Inevitable

1. Trials are \_\_\_\_\_
2. Trials are of \_\_\_\_\_ kinds.
3. Trials can \_\_\_\_\_
4. Trials can \_\_\_\_\_
5. Trials are \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Trials test our \_\_\_\_\_.

#### Trials Develop Spiritual Maturity

- Our supernatural response to trial can be joy
- Joy                      Our \_\_\_\_\_ response
- Knowing                Our \_\_\_\_\_ response

James called himself a servant of God and Jesus Christ. How would you describe your relationship to God today?

What you would like your relationship with God to be?

What would it take to make the change?

#### We need wisdom to face trials

- Wisdom is the ability to make godly judgements that benefit others.
- Wisdom is the ability to know the best thing to do now in light of possible future outcomes.
- Wisdom is being able to make good decisions when there isn't a clear "right" or "wrong."

God is the source of Wisdom

Faith is required to receive wisdom

How do you respond to trials?

How would you like to respond to trials?

What difference would it make in your life to change from asking yourself “Is this right or wrong?” to “Is this wise? What will these lead to?”