

Viewing Life's Trials

"My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials." James 1:2 (NKJV)

2 Kings 6:15-17 - God can help us _____ our _____ more clearly.

Earthly Trials Are Temporary

- A. _____ is painful, but it's temporary. The _____ of having a _____ overshadows the pain.
- B. God's word assures us that trials are temporary:
 - 1. Romans 8:18 - _____ can't compare with _____.
 - 2. 2 Corinthians 4:17,18 - Afflictions are _____ and for but a _____.

Good Can Come From Our Trials

- A. Trials can lead to newfound strengths and blessings:
 - 1. James 1:2-4 - The _____ of our faith produces _____.
 - 2. 1 Peter 1:6,7 - Trials show the _____ of our _____.
- B. Ward: "Adversity causes some men to _____, others to break _____."

God Is In Control

- A. God is at the controls of our trying circumstances:
 - 1. Job 1:11,12 - God gave _____ for _____ to follow.
 - 2. 1 Corinthians 10:13 - God is _____, and He won't _____ us to be _____ beyond what we can _____.
- B. _____ know when to remove the _____ from _____. How much wiser is our God!

Witnesses Surround Us

- A. Hebrews 12:1,2 - Many have endured much because of their _____ in _____. They are _____ to the truth that we can succeed through our _____ in God.
- B. Stephen the Sabaite: "... is He sure to _____? Saints, apostles, prophets, martyrs, answer ' _____'".

Hindsight Is Always Best

- A. Conclusions made during suffering may not be wise:
 - 1. Job 42:3 - Job _____ things he didn't _____.
 - 2. 2 Corinthians 5:4-7 - We _____ while in the flesh, but we must _____ by _____, not by _____.
- B. "We'll _____ it all _____ and _____."

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