

“CHARACTER”

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Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, ³because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. ⁴Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.

James 1:2-4

THE TRUTH ABOUT TROUBLES

1. TROUBLES ARE _____

Consider it pure joy, whenever you face trials... James 1:2a

2. TROUBLES ARE _____

...whenever you face trials... James 1:2

Face, “peripipto” means:

3. TROUBLES ARE _____

...whenever you face trials of many kinds, James 1:2c

In this world you will know troubles. John 16:33

The righteous face many troubles. Psalm 34:19a

How frail is humanity! How short is life, and how full of trouble! Job 14:1 (NLT)

We are pressed on every side by troubles, but we are not crushed and broken. We are perplexed, but we don't give up and quit. 2 Corinthians 4:8

Dear friends, do not be surprised at the painful trial you are suffering, as though something strange were happening to you. 1 Peter 4:12

4. TROUBLES ARE _____

...know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. ⁴ Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything. James 1:3-4

The Result _____

Troubles Shape and Sharpen _____

...we glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character. Romans 5:3-4

...he (Jesus) learned obedience from the things he suffered. Hebrews 5:8b (NLT)

HOW TO ‘HANG ON’ IN TIMES OF TROUBLES

1. Live _____

So don't worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring its own worries. Today's trouble is enough for today. Matthew 6:34

2. Refuse _____

3. Don't _____

Blessed are those who persevere under trial, because when they have stood the test, they will receive the crown of life that God has promised to those who love him. James 1:12