

## THE RIGHT RESPONSES TO TRIALS

### I. THE DIVINE PERSPECTIVE REGARDING TRIALS

### II. THE DIVINE PURPOSES OF TRIALS

### III. VARIOUS REACTIONS TO TRIALS

#### A. WRONG REACTIONS IN THE FLESH

#### B. THE CORRECT RESPONSES IN THE SPIRIT (James 1:2-12)

1. You need to \_\_\_\_\_ it all \_\_\_\_\_ while in the midst of your trial, which is actually impossible apart from the Spirit of God. (1:2)
  - a. The word “*count*” refers to a \_\_\_\_\_ that rests not in one’s \_\_\_\_\_, but on weighing the \_\_\_\_\_.
  - b. The Lord desires that you view trials with \_\_\_\_\_ because of how adversity has a way of \_\_\_\_\_ you when responded to correctly.
  
2. You need to \_\_\_\_\_ God’s loving, caring hand in all of it; and rely on His \_\_\_\_\_ throughout your trial. (1:3)
  - a. The real issue in every trial is whether you are going to \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_, it is NOT, “*How soon can I get out of this mess?*”
  - b. The “*testing*” aspect (mentioned in v. 3) is proving whether you \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_ of God, both found in His Word.

\* Can you think of some verses that you have memorized for an emergency?

3. You need to \_\_\_\_\_ the trial to run its due course. (1:4)

a. The command involves a willingness to \_\_\_\_\_ to God's process.

b. This verse implies that \_\_\_\_\_ by volitionally allowing the trial to run its course, while you continue to seek the Lord by faith will it accomplish God's divine \_\_\_\_\_.

\* What three things are mentioned as the Lord's underlying goal for you?

4. You need to \_\_\_\_\_ for strength, wisdom, and endurance \_\_\_\_\_ the trial. (1:5-6)

a. Thankfully God gives His wisdom \_\_\_\_\_ and without \_\_\_\_\_.

b. Wisdom is given to those who ask in \_\_\_\_\_, without \_\_\_\_\_.

\* How is the financially poor believer to respond to his trials? (1:9)

\* How is the financially rich believer to respond to his trials? (1:10-11)

5. You need to recognize that responding \_\_\_\_\_ to adversity is worth it in both now in the \_\_\_\_\_ and in \_\_\_\_\_. (1:12)

\* Have you been responding by faith in your trials?