# THE ORIGIN AND THE REASONS FOR TRIALS

## I. THE DIVINE PERSPECTIVE REGARDING TRIALS

- A. The REALITY of Trials (1 Peter 1:3-9)
- B. The ROSTER of Trials... Some New Testament Words for Trials (2 Corinthians 1, 4, 6)

### C. The REAL REASONS for Trials

- 1. Trials are because of Adam's sin and its effects (Genesis 2-4)
  - a. The Fall of man resulted in...
    - 1) \_\_\_\_\_\_ which involves a personal separation from God.
    - 2) \_\_\_\_\_\_ which involves an ultimate separation of the human soul and spirit from the body.
    - 3) \_\_\_\_\_\_ which involves a sinner being separated from God forever in the Lake of Fire.
    - 4) Obtaining a \_\_\_\_\_\_ which is at enmity with God.
  - b. God's curse and judgment because of Adam's sin involved...
    - 1) a curse upon the \_\_\_\_\_. (Genesis 3:14)
    - 2) a curse upon \_\_\_\_\_\_. (Genesis 3:15)
    - 3) a curse upon \_\_\_\_\_\_. (Genesis 3:16)
    - 4) a curse upon \_\_\_\_\_\_. (Genesis 3:17-19)
    - 5) a curse upon the \_\_\_\_\_\_. (Genesis 3:17-19)

#### 2. Trials are because of individual sin.

- a. Our personal choices to sin effects...
  - 1) \_\_\_\_\_ (Galatians 6:7-8)
  - 2) and \_\_\_\_\_ (Hebrews 12:15)

#### 3. Trials are because of God's sovereignty.

a. Because our God is sovereign, He both \_\_\_\_\_\_ and even \_\_\_\_\_\_ trials in our lives.

\* How does chastisement factor into this (Heb. 12:5-11)?

- b. Because God is sovereign, He sometimes \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to us the purpose of the trial, while often times He remains \_\_\_\_\_\_ as to the "why."
  - \* How was this true in Job's serious trial?
  - \* What does Job chapter 1 tell us about God's sovereignty and trials?

\* How can you apply this truth in your own life?