



LIVING WELL IN SPITE OF TRIALS

1 Peter 1:6-9

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BIG IDEA: You can live well, even in the midst of trials, setbacks, struggles, and spiritual opposition.

1 Peter 1:6-7 In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

1. Trials can actually be opportunities for rejoicing. (v6)

We can rejoice even in trials because trials are **tools and textbooks** in the school of Christian maturity.

2 Cor. 12:7-9 To keep me from becoming conceited because of these surpassingly great revelations, there was given me a thorn in my flesh, a messenger of Satan, to torment me. Three times I pleaded with the Lord to take it away from me. But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness."

2. Trials will not last forever. (v6)

"for a little while:" literally "for a season;" "an uncertain time"

3. Trials will test your faith to prove it is genuine. (v7)

Faith tested by trials is more precious than gold.

Tested and proven faith is a praise offering to the Lord.

4. Trials cannot separate you from the unseen God. (v8)

Job 23:8-10 "But if I go to the east, he is not there; if I go to the west, I do not find him. When he is at work in the north, I do not see him; when he turns to the south, I catch no glimpse of him. But he knows the way that I take; when he has tested me, I will come forth as gold.

For next week, meditate on 1 Peter 1:10-12
"Prophets, Angels & You"



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Consider it pure joy, my brothers,
whenever you face trials of many
kinds, because you know that the
testing of your faith develops
perseverance.

James 1:2-3 (NIV)

Perseverance must finish its work so
that you may be mature and
complete, not lacking anything.

James 1:4 (NIV)

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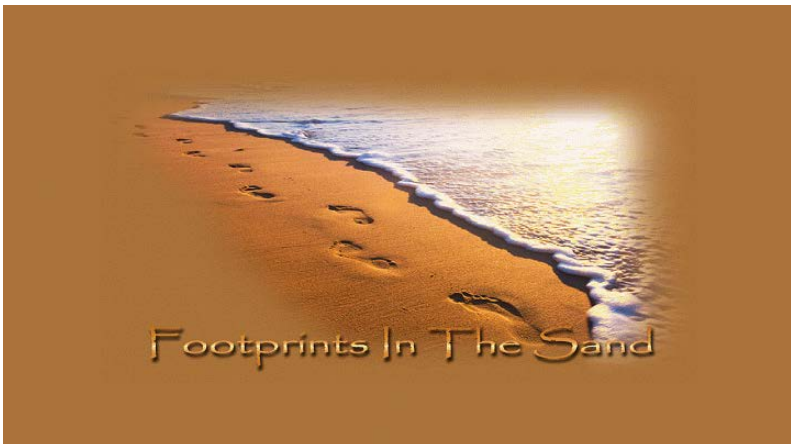


Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory,

1 Peter 1:8

obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your soul.

1 Peter 1:9



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