

Trials and Temptations
James 1:1-18

1. _____ in trials – vv. 1-4
 - A. Attitude in trials – v.2
 - Source #1 – God Causes Our Trial
 - Source #2 – God Allows Our Trial
 - ◊ Natural Consequences
 - ◊ The Attack of The Evil One
 - B. Advantage of trials – vv. 3-4
 - C. Assistance for trials – vv. 5-12

2. _____ temptation – vv. 13-18
 - A. Know the source of temptation – vv. 13-14
 - B. Know the progression of temptation – vv. 15-16
 - C. Know the solution for temptation – vv. 17-18

To Go

1. Identify a trial you are in or recently came out of. Thank God for your past, current, and future trials. Know that without the trials, you will not persevere.
2. Memorize Romans 8:38.
3. Reread James 1:13-18. Familiarize yourself with the source, progression, and solution to temptations.
4. Identify a real-time temptation and where it is at on the scale of progression. Confess it to God and turn to Him for strength to resist.

At Home Study Guide

For the week of September 10, 2017

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This fall we will consider the book of James and its application to us today. As you study the passage, look beyond your notes to glean more truth from this passage by using these questions, so that you know God better!

Context: What do you learn about James or the people to whom he is writing from this opening section?

Observation: What are his main points in this section? James connects the word “trial” both with “joy” and “blessed.” How else does he describe trials?

Meaning: What does this passage teach about God’s role in trials? How do trials relate to maturity?

Application: In what area that James addresses is God trying to mature you? How are verses 16-18 specifically, and the whole section, encouraging to you in what you are facing?