

## How to Handle Trials

**Pastor Cory Anderson | James 1:2–12**

**1. Think about one of the most challenging times in your life and how you handled the trial. Knowing what you know from James, how could you handle the trial differently today?**

**2. Take time to discuss the various scriptural ‘purposes’ or ‘reasons’ for trials from point 1 in the sermon. What do you find helpful in this list? What questions do you still have about trials?**

**3. What could you say to someone who is going through a trial that might be of help to them? What should you not say?**

**4. When you face trials in your life do you pray for wisdom? How much time do you spend fretting over the trial and how much time do you spend praying? How does your prayer life need to change as a result of what James 1:5-8 tells us to do?**

**5. How does vv. 9-12 fit into the context of James 1:2-12? What trial were the recipients of this letter facing (See Jam 1:9-11; 2:1-7; 5:1-6)?**

**6. In your estimation, is the rich man in vv. 10-11 a brother? What is James saying about the rich man? What is he saying about the poor brother (v.9, 12)?**

**7. What trials do you need to bring before the Lord? As a group, take some time to hear from each other and pray together.**



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**Next Week: James 1:13-18**