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FAITH THAT WORKS

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**How much
longer?**

**FAITH
THAT
WORKS**

Known by our joy

James 1:2

Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters,

...

Known by our joy

John 15:11

I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete.

Known by our joy

James 1:2

Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters,

...

Known by our joy

in trials of many kinds

James 1:2

Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters,
... whenever you face trials of many kinds,

Known by our joy

in trials of many kinds

James 1:3-4

because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. 4 Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.

EMBRACE the
trials BECAUSE they
Will Make You
MORE LIKE
JESUS

ESCAPE the trial

AS QUICKLY AS
POSSIBLE

Wisdom

to see from God's perspective

James 1:5

If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.

God's wisdom for our trials

1. Trials are here to stay

James 1:2

Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters,
... whenever you face trials of many kinds,

God's wisdom for our trials

1. Trials are here to stay

John 16:33

I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.'

God's wisdom for our trials

2. Trials are opportunities to encounter God

Psalm 23:4

Even though I walk
through the darkest valley,
I will fear no evil,
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff,
they comfort me.

God's wisdom for our trials

3. Trials are the soil in which faith grows

James 1:3

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God's wisdom for our trials

3. Trials are the soil in which faith grows

2 Corinthians 4:16

Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day.

God's wisdom for our trials

4. Trials are momentary; resurrection awaits

James 1:12

Blessed is the one who perseveres under trial because, having stood the test, that person will receive the crown of life that the Lord has promised to those who love him.

God's wisdom for our trials

4. Trials are momentary; resurrection awaits

James 1:6-8

But when you ask, you must believe and not doubt, because the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind. ... Such a person is double-minded and unstable in all they do.

FLEE
temptation
BECAUSE it
Will KILL
YOU

Flee temptation

1. Deception

James 1:14-16

Each person is tempted when they are dragged away by their own evil desire and enticed. ...

Don't be deceived, my dear brothers and sisters.

Flee temptation

2. Desire

James 1:15

Then, after desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, gives birth to death.

Flee temptation

3. Disobedience

James 1:15

Then, after desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, gives birth to death.

Flee temptation

4. Death

James 1:15

Then, after desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, gives birth to death.

EMBRACE

Trials

FLEE

Temptation

GOT IT?

