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The True Believer and Trials

James 1:2-12

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By carefully evaluating the nature of trials (1:2)

Trials will come (*When ye*)

Trials may be unexpected (*fall into*)

Trials are in different forms (*divers temptations*)

By joyfully considering trials (*count it all joy*) (1:2-4)

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Knowing that you will be lacking (*wanting*) nothing

By confidently taking trials to God (*Let him ask*) (1:5-11)

With the understanding that God is in control (v5)

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He gives wisdom without reproach (*upbraideth not*)

With unwavering faith (vv6-7)

Example = the wave of the sea

With an established mindset (v8)

With a humble outlook (vv9-11)

By patiently persevering (enduring) through trials (1:12)

The Result—Being approved by God (*when he is tried*)

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Application:

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