



# WHY TRIALS?

(I Thessalonians 3:3,4; 1 Peter 4:19 )

*Message: Trials come into our lives for many reasons, all for our ultimate good.*

- I. TRIALS COME INTO OUR LIVES TO **TEST US**
- II. TRIALS COME INTO OUR LIVES TO **INWARDLY STRENGTHEN**
- III. TRIALS COME INTO OUR LIVES TO **DRAW US CLOSER TO THE LORD**
- IV. TRIALS COME INTO OUR LIVES **TO WORK HUMILITY IN US**

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- V. TRIALS COME INTO OUR LIVES **SO THAT WE CAN EXPERIENCE GOD'S SUPERNATURAL PRESENCE** *(Psalm 34:9; 2 Corinthians 12:9)*

## Psalm 34:9 (NKJV)

<sup>9</sup> Oh, fear the Lord, you His saints!

*There is no want to those who fear Him.*

## 2 Corinthians 12:9 (NKJV)

<sup>9</sup> And He said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

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VI. TRIALS COME INTO OUR LIVES **TO ENABLE US  
TO MINISTER TO OTHERS** (2 Corinthians 1:4-6)

## 2 Corinthians 1:4-6 (NKJV)

<sup>4</sup>who comforts us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort those who are in any trouble, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God. <sup>5</sup>For as the sufferings of Christ abound in us, so our consolation also abounds through Christ. <sup>6</sup>Now if we are afflicted, *it is* for your consolation and salvation, which is effective for enduring the same sufferings which we also suffer. Or if we are comforted, *it is* for your consolation and salvation.

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VII. TRIALS COME INTO OUR LIVES **TO**  
**SPIRITUALLY MATURE US** *(James 1:2-4)*

## James 1:2-4 (NKJV)

<sup>2</sup> My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials, <sup>3</sup> knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience. <sup>4</sup> But let patience have *its* perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing.