

# WHY TRIALS?

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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
- V. TRIALS COME INTO OUR LIVES **SO THAT WE CAN** EXPERIENCE GOD'S SUPERNATURAL PRESENCE
- VI. TRIALS COME INTO OUR LIVES **TO ENABLE US TO** MINISTER TO OTHERS

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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.

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### VIII. TRIALS COME INTO OUR LIVES **TO** CAUSE US TO LOOK TO OUR FUTURE HOPE (Romans 8:18)

#### Romans 8:18 (NKJV)

<sup>18</sup> For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.