

Faith Works When Tested JAMES 1:2-4

We can rejoice in trials.

1. God calls us to rejoice when trials come

“When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
When sorrows like sea billows roll;
Whatever my lot, Thou has taught me to say,
It is well, it is well, with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
Let this blest assurance control,
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
And hath shed His own blood for my soul.

Whatever my lot, Thou has taught me to say,
It is well, it is well, with my soul. ”

It is Well by Horatio Spafford



● from the book of james

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2. God is testing our faith

3. God is making us mature in Christ

FOUR FRIENDS TO HELP US REJOICE IN TRIALS

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“ Learning to pray when there's an emergency or when something is frightening us requires a lot of discipline. Instead of praying, we tend to torture ourselves with anxiety and worry. All we can think about is trying to get rid of the problem. The devil often tricks us when temptation or suffering first begins, whether we are dealing with spiritual or physical matters. He immediately barges in and makes us so upset about the problem that we become consumed by it. In this way, he tears us away from praying. He makes us so confused that we don't even think about praying. When we finally begin to pray, we have already tortured ourselves half to death. The devil knows what prayer can accomplish. That's why he creates so many obstacles and makes it so inconvenient for us that we never get around to prayer.”

- Martin Luther

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RECCOMENDED RESOURCES:

How Long O Lord, by D.A. Carson

Suffering and the Sovereignty of God, by John Piper and Justin Taylor

FOR NEXT WEEK,
PLEASE READ
JAMES 1:1:5-8 &
JAMES 3:13-18