

1 Peter
1:6-7

Why We
Hate Trials
(And Why
We Love
Them)



Last Week We Learned

Trials are diverse

Trials cause grief

Trials can be helpful

III. Trials can be helpful

Pain humbles us

Trials strengthens us

III. Trials can be helpful

James said, "*The testing of your faith produces patience*" (James 1:3)

Patience comes through storms and trials

Trials equip us

Trials helps us to deal with and help other sufferers (see 2 Corinthians 1:4)

III. Trials can be helpful

When you come through the trial, you will be able to help others to get through similar trials

"You will not have any test of faith that will not fit you to be a blessing" —A.B. Simpson

IV. Trials reveal what kind of faith you have

A faith that cannot be tested is a
Faith that cannot be trusted

IV. Trials reveal what kind of faith you have

I'm going to have a nervous breakdown
Period. I've earned it, I deserve it,
I've worked hard for it and no one is going to
keep me from having it.

V. Trials refine us

God is out to bless you, not burn you

"If God puts you in the furnace, His eye is on the clock and his hand is on the thermostat" —

Warren Wiersbe

V. Trials refine us

Romans 8:29

We have been predestined to be in the image of
Jesus Christ

Paul said to the Galatians, “I labor for you
because I want to see Christ formed in you

V. Various trials comparison (see 1 Peter 4:10)

Manifold trials you go through

Manifold grace of God

Tell the storm how big your God is

FINAL THOUGHTS ON TRIALS

From the Book of James

1. Have a joyful attitude

James 1:2

"Counting it all joy"

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2. Have an understanding mind (v3)

Know that God is working

3. Have a surrendered will (4)

Let patience do its work

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4. Have a believing heart (5-8)

Wisdom is the correct use of knowledge.