

# JOY IN THE TRIAL

James 1:2-5

I. \_\_\_\_\_: A \_\_\_\_\_ heart.

Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds... (2)

A. Christ is \_\_\_\_\_ than any trial.

Cf. Rom. 8:28

B. Rejoicing is not a feeling, it's a \_\_\_\_\_.

Cf. I Thess. 5:18, Phil. 4:4

II. \_\_\_\_\_: An \_\_\_\_\_ heart.

...because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance. (3)

A. Trials \_\_\_\_\_ your faith.

B. Perseverance: To \_\_\_\_\_ your ground.

III. \_\_\_\_\_: A \_\_\_\_\_ heart.

Perseverance must finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything. (4)

A. Salvation...What God did \_\_\_\_\_ you.

B. Sanctification...What God does \_\_\_\_\_ you.

C. Service...What God does \_\_\_\_\_ you.

IV. \_\_\_\_\_: A \_\_\_\_\_ heart.

If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him. (5)

*"If I'd never had \_\_\_\_\_  
I wouldn't know God could \_\_\_\_\_."*  
- Andrae Crouch