

Scripture Reading for James 1:2-18
Psalm 16:1-11

Preserve me, O God, for I take refuge in You.

I said to the LORD, "You are my Lord; I have no good besides You." As for the saints that are in the earth, they are the majestic ones in whom is all my delight.

The sorrows of those who have bartered for another god will be multiplied.

The LORD is the portion of my inheritance and my cup; You support my lot.

The lines have fallen to me in pleasant places; indeed, my heritage is beautiful to me.

I will bless the LORD who has counseled me; indeed, my mind instructs me in the night.

I have set the LORD continually before me; because He is at my right hand, I will not be shaken.

There my heart is glad and my glory rejoices; my flesh also will dwell securely.

For You will not abandon my soul in Sheol; nor will You allow Your Holy One to undergo decay.

You will make known to me the path of life; in Your presence is fullness of joy; in Your right hand there are pleasures forever.

Through the New Testament

James 1:2-18

"How to Gain Perspective Concerning Your Trials"

Consider the trials you are experiencing as a source for _____!

Your trials test your faith:

tested faith produces _____,

tested endurance produces _____.

Your trials may cause you to ask " _____?"

Ask God for wisdom:

He will be generous in His answer.

Ask God without doubting

Your trials may cause you to envy those who are _____.

If you are poor, find glory in your humble _____.

If you are rich, find glory in your humble _____.

Your trials...if you persevere...

are a source of _____

are grounds for God's _____

are a means of showing _____.

Your trials may lead you to believe God is _____.

First...God cannot be tempted to tempt others to do evil; and

God does not tempt others to do evil.

Second...if you fall, it's because of your own lust; and

if you blame God, you've been _____.

Consider your trials _____.

Consider your trials _____...

the same will that brought you _____,

the same will that will make you His _____.

Closing Chorus

The Lord bless thee and keep thee,

The Lord make His face to shine upon thee,

And be gracious unto thee, be gracious unto thee.

The Lord lift up His countenance

Upon thee and give thee peace.

("The Lord Bless Thee" by Chuck Butler)