



Pt.3 - 2023

“How Do You Respond to Adversity” Pt.2

Review:

We started by “Understanding Adversities.

1.What is Adversity? 2. Where does adversity come from? 3. What is the Purpose of adversity? 4.“How to Respond to Adversity”

Two different reactions:

1. Our _____reaction to adversity.

A. Doubt God.

B. Fear

C. Give up.

D. Negativism

2. God’s desired _____ to adversity

A. **Don’t be surprised.**

1 Peter 4:12-14

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B. **Have the right attitude.**

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C. **Be positive.**

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D. **Have the right understanding.**

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Consider pure Joy... whenever you face trials of any kinds ³ because you know that the testing of your faith produces.... Perseverance...

E. **Faith over fear.**

John 16:33

³³ I have told you all this so that you may have peace in me. Here on earth you will have many trials and sorrows. But take heart, because I have overcome the world.”

F. Worship.

Job 1:1

There once was a man named Job who lived in the land of Uz. He was blameless—a man of complete integrity. He feared God and stayed away from evil

VERSE 13

- a. BEGINS THE ACCOUNT OF THE UNRAVELING OF JOB'S LIFE, WHEN HE HEARS A REPORT THAT THE SABEANS HAD STOLEN ALL JOB'S OXEN AND DONKEYS.
- b. AND THAT THEY HAD KILLED ALL THE SERVANTS THAT WERE TENDING TO THEM.
- c. WHILE HE WAS RECEIVING THIS NEWS, ANOTHER SERVANT COMES IN TO REPORT THAT THE FIRE OF GOD HAD STRUCK ALL HIS SHEEP AND THE SERVANTS WATCHING OVER THEM, AND THEY WERE ALL GONE.
- d. WHILE HE WAS RECEIVING THIS NEWS, ANOTHER SERVANT COMES IN TO REPORT THAT THE CHALDEANS HAD RAIDED THE LAND AND STOLEN ALL THE CAMELS, AND KILLED THE SERVANTS TENDING TO THEM.

V.18

"A SERVANT CAME TO JOB AND REPORTED THAT THERE HAD BEEN A BUILDING COLLAPSE AND ALL OF HIS CHILDREN WERE DEAD.

Job.1. V.20-22

*"JOB STOOD UP, TORE HIS ROBE, AND SHAVED HIS HEAD.
THEN HE FELL TO THE GROUND AND WORSHIPPED.*

NAKED I CAME FROM MY MOTHER'S WOMB, AND NAKED SHALL I RETURN. THE LORD GAVE AND THE LORD HAS TAKEN AWAY; BLESSED BE THE NAME OF THE LORD.

G. Persevere.

Luke 8:13

¹³*Those on the rocky soil are those who, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no firm root; they believe for a while, and in time of testing fall away.*

"Time" is *kairos*, it's not *chronos*.

Kairos = A circumstance, or a destined time, or a moment of Test Adversity.

James 1:3

³*For you know that when "your faith is tested"*

adversity always tests your faith.

Trials cannot destroy true faith, **because true faith is a gift from God, and true saving faith is forever.**

Job

"Though He slay me, yet will I trust Him."

adversity cannot destroy true faith; but it can test it.

True faith can't be destroyed by adversity, it endures, it perseveres right through the **adversity**.

That's the nature of true faith.

God bringing **adversities** into our life is not destroying our faith, He's manifesting it.

2 Chronicles 32:31

God left him only to test him, that he might know all that was in his heart.

James 1:12

Blessed is a man who perseveres under trial; for once he has been approved, he will receive the crown of life which the Lord has promised to those who love Him."