

SPRING TEACHING SERIES 2023

HOW TO FACE ADVERSITY

FROM A BIBLICAL PERSPECTIVE

Week 7

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“Persevere to the End”

Adversity

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How important is it for a Christian to persevere in time of adversity?

1. Because it develops endurance and that fills us with hope of a better tomorrow

• Romans 5:3-4

³ We can rejoice, too, when we run into problems and trials, for we know that they help us develop endurance. ⁴ And endurance develops strength of character, and character strengthens our confident hope of salvation.

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• Psalms 62:5-6

Let all that I am wait quietly before God, for my hope is in him. He alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress where I will not be shaken.

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2. Because by persevering you will show If your Faith Real or not.

- 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.*

- “In the time of Adversity.”

• *Kairos* and *chronos*.

• *Kairos*, = An event, or a season, or an epoch, or a circumstance, or a destined time, or *a moment of Test Adversity*.

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- Adversity always tests your faith...

- James 1:3

For you know that when “your faith is tested”

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

- Ephesians 2:8-9

*⁸ For it is by grace you have been saved, **through faith**—and this is not from yourselves, **it is the gift of God***

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- God tests our faith in the adversity because He wants us to see what is in our own hearts

- 2 Chronicles 32:31

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

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- 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.”*

What should I do while I persevere during the time of adversity?

- 1. KEEP ON GATHERING WITH YOUR CHURCH!

- Hebrews 10:25

²⁵ *And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, **but encourage one another**, especially now that the day of his return is drawing near.*

What should I do while I persevere during the time of adversity?

- 2. KEEP ON GROWING IN YOUR FAITH!

- 1 Peter 2:2

- ² *Like newborn babies, you must crave pure spiritual milk so that you will grow into a full experience of salvation.*

What should I do while I persevere during the time of adversity?

• 3. KEEP ON SHOWING YOUR LOVE!

1 John 4:19-21

“We love because he first loved us. If anyone says, ‘I love God,’ yet hates his brother, whom he has seen, cannot love God, whom he has not seen. And he has given us this command: Anyone who loves God must also love their brother and sister.”

What should I do while I persevere during the time of adversity?

- 4. KEEP ON PERSEVERING IN YOUR ADVERSITY!

2 Thessalonians 1:4

⁴ We proudly tell God's other churches about your perseverance and faithfulness in all the persecutions and hardships you are suffering.

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