

Understanding the Trials of Your Faith (Part 2)

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Scriptures:

- John 9:1-3
- Hebrews 11:4-9, 11, 20-23, 30-35, 39, 40
- Habakkuk 2:4
- Romans 1:17
- Galatians 3:1-5, 11, 22-24
- Hebrews 10:38
- Galatians 2:20
- John 19:30
- Acts 17:28
- Psalm 118:23
- John 6:29, *NLT*
- Galatians 3:1-6, 22-29, *NLT*
- 1 Corinthians 6:17
- John 1:12

Summary:

Living godly lives does not excuse us from undergoing hardships and tribulations. This is something all believers must understand. Just because we encounter adversity does not mean we sinned or did anything wrong. The faith we need to push through a tough situation is not our faith, but God's faith. His faith is much better than ours. We find real rest in the midst of turmoil when we stop working hard to believe that we are righteous, redeemed, delivered, and healed, and simply believe it because Jesus believes it. This removes all pressure from self-effort and gives us the highest kind of faith there is.

Notes:

1. Believers must expect trials and tribulations; things *will* happen for those who live godly.
2. New-Testament Christians live by *Jesus'* faith, which is much better than ours. His faith gets us through trials and tribulations. We can rely on it when our faith is weak. When our belief is not enough, we can believe what Jesus believes.
3. The Old-Testament believers living under the law had faith, but it required self-effort. Our faith should not be an attempt to manufacture what God has already completed, but a response to what is done; New-Testament faith brings us into rest.
4. The finished works of Jesus gave us access to His faith. We can now be one with God.
5. Trying to live by rule-keeping, like the people did under the law, no longer works. We now need to follow the Holy Spirit's lead.

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