

# Trusting God: Even When Life Hurts

## Lesson #13 "Growing Through Adversity"

- Read Chapter Twelve and answer the following questions to the end of the section on 'Holiness'.

**James 1:2-4** "My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials, 3 knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience. 4 But let patience have its perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing."

1) "We can be \_\_\_\_\_ that the development of a beautiful Christian \_\_\_\_\_ will \_\_\_\_\_ occur in \_\_\_\_\_ lives without \_\_\_\_\_."

2) Why does God use difficulties in our lives?

3) When will God remove adversities from our lives?

**Romans 5:3-4** "And not only that, but we also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance; 4 and perseverance, character; and character, hope."

4) Where should our joy be in our adversities?

5) "Fortunately God does \_\_\_\_\_ ask us \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ we want to grow. He is the Master Teacher, \_\_\_\_\_ His pupils when and how \_\_\_\_\_ deems \_\_\_\_\_."

6) What are the two means that God provides to help us grow spiritually?

7) What three things are we to do in order to learn from our adversities?

8) How are we to respond when we know or do not know what God is doing in our trials?

9) Why do we learn so much during our tribulations?

10) Why does God have to prune us from time to time?

11) What is the purpose of adversity in **Hebrews 12:10**?

12) “In making us \_\_\_\_\_, God goes \_\_\_\_\_ than just \_\_\_\_\_ sins we may be conscious of. He wants to get at the \_\_\_\_\_ cause: the corruption of our \_\_\_\_\_ nature...”